

## **WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL**

### **Report by the Acting Director of Social Work Services**

#### **Health Improvement and Social Justice Partnership:**

**9 August 2006**

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**Subject: Acquired Brain Injury Awareness Training Session**

#### **1. Purpose**

- 1.1 This report informs members of the development of Acquired Brain Injury Awareness training session.

#### **2. Background**

- 2.1 The Acquired Brain Injury Strategy group identified the need for the development of an awareness session for carers and staff from health and social care services.
- 2.2 The Acquired Brain Injury service within Social Work Services and the Department of Clinical Psychology within the Joint Hospital worked together to develop a training session covering issues relating to Acquired Brain Injury.
- 2.3 The training was delivered as a pilot by health and social work staff early March – April 2006 to workers from partner agencies.

#### **3. Main Issues**

- 3.1 The course was evaluated, and the conclusions were written up for the ABI Strategy Group (copy of report attached).
- 3.2 There are proposals for the development of more training sessions with the suggestion that the sessions include more specialist training for users and carers.

#### **4. Personnel Issues**

- 4.1 There are no personnel issues.

#### **5. Financial Implications**

- 5.1 There are no personnel issues.

## **6. Recommendations**

- 6.1** Members are asked to note the content of this report and agree to the development of further training sessions to be monitored by the Acquired Brain Injury Strategy Group at regular intervals.

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**Background Papers:**

**Wards Affected:** All council Wards.