

WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE COUNCIL

Report by Executive Director of Housing, Environmental and Economic Development

Council: 26 March 2008

Subject: Priority Areas for Regeneration

1. Purpose

1.1 This report advises the Council of the findings of the Housing Regeneration Working Group in relation to priority areas for regeneration.

2. Background

2.1 It was agreed at the Council meeting of 19 December 2007 that:

2.1.1 "Priority areas for regeneration should be identified by officers using the early action study, asset plan; housing needs study and standard delivery plan. Once identified tenants and partner agencies in these areas will be assisted to explore all the options available to them to regenerate their communities. This priority list however should not be prescriptive, and other areas that have a desire to regenerate their areas should be assisted where practical" and

2.1.2 "To develop the priority areas a short term working group involving 2 elected members (1 Administration and 1 Opposition), 1 member of the federation and 1 member of the Association of Clydebank Residents Groups (ACRG) should be convened to report back to the Council no later than February".

2.2 Meetings of the working group were held on 22 January and 19 February 2008. It was noted at the meeting held on 19 February that there would be no requirement for a further meeting of the working group.

3. Main Issues

3.1 In terms of the remit of the working group, the studies referred to in 2.1.1 above have not yet been concluded although a preliminary briefing for Members on the outcomes of the asset management plan took place on 17 March 2008. Given that there remains much work to do on these strategic plans it has not been possible to utilise this research to identify priority areas.

3.2 Based on the Council's Community Ownership Early Action Fund bid, 10 areas were identified as key priority areas for regeneration subject to any emerging factors identified in the studies stated in paragraph 2.1.1. These are (in alphabetical order):

- (a) Bellsmyre
- (b) Brucehill
- (c) Castlehill
- (d) Central Alexandria
- (e) Central/Radnor Park
- (f) Clydebank East
- (g) Haldane
- (h) North Mountblow
- (i) South Drumry
- (j) Westcliff

4. Personnel Issues

4.1 There are no personnel issues.

5. Financial Implications

5.1 There are no financial implications at this time.

6. Risk Analysis

6.1 There are no risks at this time.

7. Conclusion

7.1 The identification of priority areas for regeneration have been identified at paragraph 3.2 above, however the results of the asset management plan, housing needs study and standard delivery plan, when completed, may result in changes to this list.

8. Recommendation

8.1 Council is asked to note this report.

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Wards Affected: All