

West Dunbartonshire Council
Report by Acting Director of Social Work Services
Health Improvement and Social Justice Partnership

9 August 2006.

Subject: Social Work Services Performance Report

1. Purpose

- 1.1. This report presents information to the Health Improvement and Social Justice Partnership on the Performance of the Department of Social Work across all Services. The report which was presented to Social Justice Committee is appended.

2. Background

- 2.1 In line with Scottish Executive Guidance and Audit Scotland recommendations the report presents information for stakeholders as part of wider Public Performance Reporting.
- 2.2 The report is focused on Social Work Services delivered in the year April 2005 to March 2006. It compares our performance against the national average and that of our comparator group of Local Authorities for the previous reporting year.

Where appropriate an update on our performance between January and March 2006 is presented as part of the Council's quarterly reporting programme.

- 2.3 Over 40 Statutory Performance Indicators (SPIs) or statistical returns have to be completed for the Scottish Executive and other bodies often linked to funding accountability.

The SPIs and other performance measures dovetail with the Council's Corporate Plan Priorities, the Joint Performance Improvement Assessment Framework and to Local Improvement Targets for Social Work Services.

- 2.4 The Social Justice Committee is the main committee for Social Work SPIs but the ongoing development of joint local improvement targets for health

and social care services as part of the Joint Performance Information Assessment Framework necessities reporting progress to the Health Improvement and Social Justice Partnership also.

3. Recommendations

3.1 The Partnership is asked to note the content of the report

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Wards Affected: All

