



REPORT TO: COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD ON 8 NOVEMBER 2018

SUBJECT: DRAFT STRATEGY FOR PREVENTING, MITIGATING AND UNDOING POVERTY IN MORAY 2018/2021

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1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 For the board to consider and approve a Poverty Strategy.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Board is invited to:

- (i) consider and approve the attached Strategy; and
- (ii) note the Fairer Moray Forum (FMF) will lead the development of an action plan using the matrix approach set out in the Strategy. The development of the Action Plan will be a three step process:-
 - Pre-population of the poverty matrix work has commenced on this process by a range of agencies and officers to identify through the FMF group;
 - A wide stakeholder workshop in January 2019 to review the pre-populated matrix and provide wider stakeholders to contribute additional details;
 - A whole Community Planning Partnership event setting out the requirements of the action plan.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Child Poverty (Scotland) Act places statutory duties on the Moray Council and on NHS Grampian respectively to reduce child poverty across Moray. The Act sets out interim and final targets to be achieved by 2023 and 2030 respectively.
- 3.2 Moray Community Planning Partnership Board meeting in April 2018 commissioned a Poverty Strategy for Moray.
- 3.3 The attached Strategy sets out a vision of a future Moray free from poverty and the strategic priorities to reach that outcome.
- 3.4 As agreed by the Board in April, it is recognised it will be a multi-approach to tackling poverty; one to address the statutory duty; one to address universal issues across Moray and one to address poverty at a local level through the work undertaken to develop Locality Plans.
- 3.5 The various groups working on the poverty agenda in Moray have begun to collate evidence to develop a local poverty action plan by;
 1. Identifying and assessing existing actions and existing plans that seek to reduce or mitigate child poverty and poverty generally in Moray;
 2. Identifying new actions to reduce child poverty generally or expansions or modifications to existing actions to increase impact.
 3. Ensuring we have the structures and partnerships in place i.e. a model delivery.
 4. Identifying who else needs to be involved.