



**REPORT TO: CHILDREN & YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
7 OCTOBER 2009**

SUBJECT: CELEBRATING SUCCESS

BY: DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to share with Committee some of the successes and positive developments within Children & Families Services in recent months.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of the Council's Administrative Scheme in relation to the function of the Council as a Social Work Authority under the Social Work (Scotland) Act 1968.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 **It is recommended that the Committee notes the successes and positive developments that Children & Families Services have achieved in recent months.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 As part of the process of keeping the Committee up to date on the wider activity of the service and as a means of celebrating success in that context, it is intended to present reports to Committee on events, activities and initiatives undertaken by or on behalf of Children & Families Services.
- 3.2 This information has been collated for the committee's information at **APPENDIX 1** to this report.
- 3.3 The items included in reports to Committee will also be communicated within the Department through regular staff newsletters.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

- (a) **Single Outcome Agreement/ Service Improvement Plan**

None

(b) Policy and Legal

None

(c) Resources (Financial, Risks, Staffing and Property)

None

(d) Consultations

None

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 It is recommended that the committee notes the successes and positive developments within Community Services in recent months.

Author of Report: John Carney, Head of Children & Families and Criminal
Justice Services
Background Papers: with author
Ref: HB670358

SOCIAL WORK TRAINING 2009

On 22 September 2009, the annual Social Work Awards Ceremony takes place to celebrate the success of 131 people achieving certificated care qualifications over the last year.

The commitment and hard work put in by individuals to achieve these awards is commendable and it makes a significant contribution to the delivery of quality services in Moray.

Since September 2008:

- 1 person completed BA Hons Social Work
- 1 person completed Graduate Certificate in Child Care and Protection
- 4 people completed Graduate Certificate in Post Qualifying Social Work
- 8 people completed the Introductory Module in Child Abuse and Neglect
- 2 people completed the Practice Learning Qualification (Social Services).
- 3 people completed the Certificate in Supervision and Supporting and Managing the Protection of Individuals
- 10 people completed HNC Social Care
- 1 person completed SVQ 3 Health & Social Care (Children & Young People)
- 3 people completed SVQ 3 Health & Social Care (Adults)
- 47 people completed SVQ 2 Health & Social Care
- 51 people completed the Home Care Practice Licence

This represents a significant investment by the council to supporting the development of a capable, confident, well motivated and well informed social service workforce.

Joyce Lorimer
Training Manager