

**REPORT TO: CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S SERVICES COMMITTEE ON
17 FEBRUARY 2010**

**SUBJECT: 2006 ACCORD FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN IN
SCOTTISH SPORT**

BY: DIRECTOR OF EDUCATIONAL SERVICES

1. REASON FOR REPORT

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to inform the committee that Sports Development and Active Schools have signed up to the 2006 Accord and for the Committee to scrutinise the action plan that has been devised in relation to this **(Appendix 1)**.
- 1.2 This report is submitted to Committee in terms of section D (12) of the Council's Administrative Scheme relating to the Council's statutory powers to support activities related to the development of recreation, sport, culture and heritage.

2. RECOMMENDATION

- 2.1 It is recommended that Committee scrutinises and notes the contents of this report.**

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 At the Educational Services Committee meeting on 6th December 2006, the committee endorsed the 'Living an Active Life' Physical Activity, Sport and Health Strategy for Moray 2007-2012 (Para 6 of the Minute refers).
- 3.2 The vision of the strategy is to improve the health and well-being of the Moray community through physical activity and sport. To ensure we are implementing this strategy effectively and in particular protecting children whilst participating in sport/physical we have signed up to the 2006 Accord.
- 3.3 The 2006 accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sport presents a support framework to help organisations work towards recommended good practice in protecting children and to fulfil responsibilities introduced as part of the Reform Programme. A copy of this document has been placed in the Members' Library.
- 3.4 The Child Protection in Sport Steering Group are currently encouraging all Scottish Governing Bodies (SGB) and Local Authorities to sign up to the Accord and as of 1st January 2010, 56 SGB's and 8 Local Authorities have signed up.

- 3.5 On 17th December 2009, Alastair Keddie, Chief Executive, signed Moray Council up to the 2006 Accord at the Moray Child Protection Chief Officers Group meeting.
- 3.6 An action plan (Appendix 1) has been specifically devised for Moray which will be implemented mainly through the Sports Development and Active Schools sections at the Moray Council.
- 3.7 Regular updates in relation to the implementation of the Moray action plan will be forwarded to the Moray Child Protection Chief Officers Group and the Child Protection in Sport Service.

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

(a) Single Outcome Agreement/Service Improvement Plan

- (i) This report provides Committee with information relevant to
Outcome 3. We are better educated, more skilled and more successful, renowned for our research and innovation.
Outcome 4 – Our young people are successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens.
Outcome 5 – Our children have the best start in life and are ready to succeed.
Outcome 6 – We live longer, healthier lives.
Outcome 8 – We have improved the life chances for children, young people and families at risk.
Outcome 9 – We live our lives safe from crime, disorder and danger.
Outcome 11 – We have strong, resilient and supportive communities where people take responsibility for their own actions and how they affect others.
Outcome 15 – Our public services are high quality, continually improving, efficient and responsive to local people's needs.
- (ii) Within the Service Improvement Plan – Action Area 17 – Sports/Arts/Leisure Development.

(b) Policy and Legal

Improving the health and wellbeing of the Moray community and in particular protecting children whilst participating in sport is not only a national priority. The 2006 Accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sport is included in the Scottish Executive's Child Protection Reform Programme.

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

There are no immediate financial risks, staffing or property implications arising from this report.

(d) Representatives from the Child Protection Chief Officers Group

And the Child Protection in Sport Service has been consulted and is in agreement with the relevant sections of this report.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 That the Committee scrutinises and notes the contents of the report of the 2006 Accord for the Protection of Children in Scottish Sport Moray Action Plan.

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Background Papers:

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