

REPORT TO: WEALTHIER AND FAIRER STRATEGIC GROUP – 21 JANUARY 2010

SUBJECT: HEALTH AND TRANSPORT

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1. REASON FOR REPORT

1.1 To update the Wealthier and Fairer Strategic Group about the developments regarding health and transport, particularly where they relate to increasing sustainable transport solutions.

2. RECOMMENDATION

2.1 The Wealthier and Fairer Strategic Group is asked to note the developments in progressing joint working regarding health and transport issues which supports the objectives of the Wealthier and Fairer Strategic Group.

3. BACKGROUND

3.1 The inter-relationship between issues concerning health services and transport continue to be the subject of concern for services, patients and the public. In July 2008, a study commissioned by Nestrans, the Regional Transport Partnership for Aberdeen City, Aberdeenshire and NHS Grampian identified three main areas inter-linkages between transport and health:

- Promoting Active Travel
- Transport and Public Health
- Access to Healthcare

These main areas were developed by NHS Grampian and Nestrans into a Health and Transport Action Plan.

3.2 The original partnership has been supplemented by a wider range of partners including HiTrans, The Moray Council and Scottish Ambulance Service.

3.3 The actions identified from the HTAP are performance managed through the Chief Executive's Forum and supported by a Project Manager, seconded for the purpose by Grampian Police.

3.4 To support the local delivery of the HTAP, in December 2009, a multi agency group chaired by NHS Grampian's Director of Planning, met with representatives from community groups. The group discussed the health and transport issues in Moray, prioritised a range of actions, and identified how best to make progress in addressing them.

3.5 The actions identified, which will be reported to the CEF, can be summarised as follows:

- Action 1** Form a reference group comprising NHS Grampian, Moray Council, Scottish Ambulance Service, Elgin Community Council, Elgin Forum, Patient Participation Forum, Disability Forum, RAF and HiTrans.
- Action 2** Develop solutions to patient transport issues identified at Glassgreen Centre and Moray Coast Health Centre.
- Action 3** Support the patient transport and car parking issues identified through the development of the Dr Gray's Masterplan, linked to the development of the Elgin Masterplan.
- Action 4** Improve patient transport booking system through PMS system.
- Action 5** Consider the development of an Elgin shuttle service for patients and staff.
- Action 6** Review and renew the out of date transport directory.
- Action 7** Support active travel initiatives at NHS site, linking to the Healthy Working Lives programme.
- Action 8** Develop mechanism for identification of transport issues and options for resolution in planned health service developments

4. SUMMARY OF IMPLICATIONS

a. Single Outcome Agreement

The Health and Transport Action Plan supports the objectives of the Single Outcome Agreement. Health and transport issues fall within the remit of Healthier Strategic Group by improving access to health services and improving health, the Safer and Stronger Strategic Group by improving transport infrastructure and services, and the Wealthier and Fairer Strategic Group by improving active and sustainable travel modes.

5. Consultations

- a. The Transportation Manager and CEF Project Manager have been consulted on this report and agree with its contents.

6. CONCLUSION

- 6.1 This report has updated the Wealthier and Fairer Strategic Group on the actions identified to address the health and transport issues identified by the inter agency group.**

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Background Papers:

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