



## VOLUNTARY SECTOR COMMITTEE- 19TH MARCH 2014

**SUBJECT: COMPACT ACTION PLAN 2014-15**

**REPORT BY: ACTING DIRECTOR CORPORATE SERVICES**

### 1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 To present members with the finalised Compact Action Plan 2014-15 for endorsement following the closure of the consultation on the proposed Action Plan.

### 2. SUMMARY

- 2.1.1 The Compact is an agreement between organisations and the Voluntary Sector in the Caerphilly county borough. The Compact recognises the mutual benefits that can be gained from close co-operation and sets out guidelines for how all parties should work together. The Compact is delivered and monitored through an annual compact action plan, which provides a detailed programme of work for shared activities. Following a consultation this is the finalised Compact Action Plan 2014-15 for endorsement by the Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee.

### 3. LINKS TO STRATEGY

- 3.1 The Voluntary Sector makes an important contribution to public service provision across the County Borough, and has a key role in *Caerphilly Delivers - The Single Integrated Plan 2013-17*.
- 3.2 The Compact Action Plan is integral for operationalising the *Delivery Together Compact Agreement 2013-17*.

### 4. THE REPORT

- 4.1 The *Delivering Together Compact Agreement 2013-17* is an agreement between organisations and the Voluntary Sector in the Caerphilly county borough:-

Gwent Association of Voluntary Organisations  
 Caerphilly County Borough Council  
 Gwent Police  
 Gwent Police and Crime Commissioner Office  
 Aneurin Bevan University Health Board  
 South Wales Fire and Rescue Service  
 Caerphilly County Borough Community/Town Councils  
 Caerphilly Business Forum

- 4.2 The Compact Agreement is delivered and monitored through an annual Compact Action Plan, which provides a detailed programme of work for shared activities, and results in the publication of a Compact Action Plan Annual Report. The actions focus around the Caerphilly

borough's Community Strategy, funding and volunteering.

- 4.3 *Caerphilly Delivers* is the Single Integrated plan for delivering the Community Strategy, which came into being on 1st April 2013. The Single Integrated Plan focuses on five outcome areas: Prosperous Caerphilly, Safer Caerphilly, Healthier Caerphilly, Learning Caerphilly and Greener Caerphilly, and this action plan concentrates on these areas.
- 4.4 In drafting the Compact Action Plan 2014-15 a preliminary consultation was undertaken last autumn with Compact Partners and the lead officers responsible for delivering the actions. This resulted in a proposed Compact Action Plan for 2014-15, which was issued for a formal 12-week consultation period closing Friday, 7th February 2014. No further comments were received through the consultation process, and the Compact Action Plan is now presented to the Committee Members for endorsement.
- 4.5 Members are reminded that at every meeting of the Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee there are presentations/ reports on selected areas of activity from the current Compact Action Plan chosen by the Voluntary Sector Representatives. At the end of the 12-month reporting period, which culminates at the end of the financial year, an annual report will be prepared and presented to the June Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee, and subsequently circulated widely.

## **5. EQUALITIES IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Promoting equalities is a fundamental part of the work of Compact Partners and features throughout the annual compact action plan. Equalities is embedded into all work around community planning and delivering the Single Integrated Plan.

## **6. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

- 6.1 None arising.

## **7. PERSONNEL IMPLICATIONS**

- 7.1 None arising.

## **8. CONSULTATIONS**

- 8.1 A pre consultation was undertaken with Compact Partners and the lead officers responsible for delivering the Compact actions in the autumn. A formal 12-week consultation was issued in November 2013 with: the membership of the Voluntary Sector Liaison Committee, Corporate Management Team (CCBC), key contributors for the Compact Action. In addition the consultation was placed on the *Caerphilly Asks, Caerphilly Listens* consultation database.

## **9. RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 9.1 For Members to endorse the Compact Action Plan 2014-15.

## **10. REASONS FOR THE RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 10.1 To ensure the Committee are in agreement with the Compact Action Plan 2014-15.

## **11. STATUTORY POWER**

### 11.1 Local Government Act 2000.

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Appendices:  
Appendix 1 Compact Action Plan 2014-15