

Summer School 2010

Leadership for New Service Delivery

12th & 13th August 2010

The Marine Hotel, North Berwick

The strategic planning and delivery of local authority services for children and young people in Scotland continues to undergo fundamental changes. The impact of legislation, advice and policy development such as; *Scotland Schools Act 2000*, *Education (Additional Support for Learning) (Scotland) Act 2004*, *Community and Children's service planning frameworks*, *An Integrated Assessment Framework for Scotland's Children*, *The Vision for Scotland's Children Improving Our Schools (Scottish Executive 2004)*, *Protecting Children and Young People: The Framework for Standards (Scottish Executive 2004)*, *Curriculum for Excellence Experiences and Outcomes (2009)*; *Early Years Framework (2009)*; have created opportunities and challenges for all involved in the management of our public education system.

Every local authority is in the process of meeting these challenges. Many authorities have restructured in order to refocus provision and, through this, create a more integrated approach to the delivery of services to children, young people and families. With these changes come opportunities for new and innovative approaches to partnership working and service delivery which call for a reappraisal of the key role of education services in social inclusion and community planning as councils attempt to respond to the lifetime needs of individual learners and the rapidly changing needs of the learning community.

With this extended management brief come new and often complex operational and leadership challenges driven by the need to bring together managers and service personnel from a wide variety of professional backgrounds in order to achieve fully integrated service provision for children and young people.

In response, the VSCS, on behalf of ADES, launched an annual summer school programme in 2005 which is designed specifically for senior officers and future leaders of education and children's services. This annual professional development event is not a conventional conference but aims to bring together a small group of colleagues in order to exchange good practice and, through facilitated working sessions reflect upon, and seek solutions to, the challenges currently facing them.

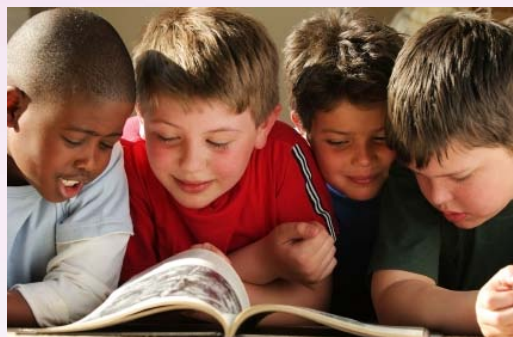
This year's summer school will focus on the **challenges of leadership** at a time of radical reappraisal of services and service delivery. The continuing challenges of joint service delivery, community empowerment, personalisation of services, reductions in public expenditure, quality improvement, new technology, curricular change, review of governance arrangements, all contribute to an exciting and challenging time to be a leader in education and children's services in Scotland.



COSTS

£290 + VAT
ADES members

£340 + VAT
Non-ADES members



The summer school (as always) provides an excellent opportunity to meet with colleagues to examine some of the big issues which are coming our way and to begin to share solutions and reflect on how we might begin to tackle them. There will be the usual mix of stimulating contributions from Scotland the rest of the UK, along with ample time for swapping ideas, initiatives and resources.

The summer school is only two days this year but we have still managed to create a stimulating and provocative programme which will provide the chance for reflection and recalibration before the start of the new school session.

The venue as always is the relaxing and comfortable surroundings of The Marine Hotel at North Berwick.

Provisional Programme

Day 1 – 12th August

Service delivery: more of the same or radically different?

- 10.00 Welcome, introductions and icebreaker
- 10.45 Coffee
- 11.00 **Session 1.** The context for new service delivery – UK perspective
Anton Florek & John Christie
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 **Session 2.** The future of public services in Scotland. *David Anderson, Chief Executive, South Ayrshire Council*
- 15.00 Coffee
- 15.30 **Session 3.** Community governance – the potential for radical change
Don Ledingham, Executive Director Education & Children's Services, East Lothian Council
- 17.00 Close
- 19.00 Dinner

Day 2 – 13th August

The leadership implications for the new service delivery

- 09.00 **Session 5.** Leadership implications
Keith Leslie, Partner, Deloitte LLP
- 10.30 Coffee
- 11.00 **Session 6.** The Leadership Framework attributes, skills and knowledge for future working. *Anton Florek*
- 12.30 Lunch
- 13.30 **Session 7.** Review and planning for the future
John Christie & Anton Florek
- 15.30 Close

Accommodation is included on 12th August

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