

Public Policy Seminar Series

You are invited to a public policy seminar to discuss **“Preventative Spend” – Scenarios for the Future of Public Services in Scotland.**

- Venue:** The Scottish Parliament, Holyrood, Edinburgh
Date: Wednesday 1 September 2010
Time: 1.00 – 3.00pm
Cost: Free of charge

Rapidly rising demand for services and unprecedented pressures on public finances means that we will have to find new ways of delivering public services. The discussion seminar will concentrate on how public spending can best be focussed over the longer term on trying to prevent, rather than deal with, negative social outcomes. Following this event, outcomes of the day will be taken to The Scottish Parliament's Finance Committee as input to their Inquiry on the topic of “preventative spending”.

http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/s3/committees/finance/inquiries/preventative_call.htm

Programme of the Day

- 1.00pm Presentation of SFF Scenario Sketches on long term preventative spend
Robert Rae, Director, Scotland's Futures Forum
- 1.20pm Table Discussion *How can long term outcomes be achieved through public services, in an age of financial austerity?*
- 1.40pm Plenary discussion
- 2.00pm Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations case study 1 **how to achieve long term benefits for communities through alternative “service” approaches.**
- 2.15pm Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations case study 2 **how to achieve long term benefits for communities through alternative “service” approaches.**
- 2.30pm Plenary discussion
- 2.50pm Review and Next Steps
- 3.00pm CLOSE

Who should come?

Service providers, Policy Makers, Community groups, the Third Sector, Forum members and interested members of the public and business.

As ever places are limited, so if you wish to attend please contact Donald Jarvie at Donald.Jarvie@scottish.parliament.uk