

## **Comments on Commonwealth Games Legacy Consultation**

1. Yes - the main benefits which can be foreseen from these games are covered within the consultation document.

It is hoped that the games will be central to economic, social, environmental and cultural development within Scotland, in addition of course, to the benefits which will hopefully be derived from increased interest in sport and the associated increase in participation in sports and physical activity.

2. No Comments.

3. There is no one body organisation which can deliver a lasting and effective legacy from the games on it's own. It is therefore the case that a vast range of agencies, bodies and individuals require to harness their efforts via a programmed approach to planning and developing all types of opportunities.

Involvement will be required from central and local Government, National and local businesses and agencies, sporting clubs and bodies and the voluntary sector to name just a few.

Meeting each of the aims within the Government's five Key Strategic Objectives of making Scotland Wealthier and Fairer; Healthier; Safer and Stronger; and Greener will involve a range of different organisations, bodies and individuals within their own areas of expertise.

The challenge faced is to effectively bring together the relevant partners in order to maximise all possible benefits.

4. The final games benefit and legacy plan should ensure outcomes are tangible across Scotland in large and small, wealthy and deprived communities and not exclusively targeted to Glasgow.

In developing the plan consideration may need to be given to the potential negative effects of hosting the games and how best these can be minimised.

For example, there is quite clearly a superb opportunity to promote a tourism and hospitality legacy across Scotland however lack of visitor accommodation / attractions, overcrowding, inflated prices, etc may well deter visitors from Glasgow during the period of the games. It is therefore essential that the legacy planning process seeks to mitigate the potential negative effects on tourism which could arise from hosting the games.