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ANNUAL REPORT 2006/2007
It could have been supposed that the period that this annual report covers would have been one of relative tranquillity for the Poverty Alliance. After all, we were in the middle of a secure three year funding agreement, projects we had been developing were finally up and running and there was clarity about what we were trying to achieve as an organisation and as a network. However there is little doubt, looking at the range of activity reported here, that the staff of the Alliance and its members and supporters have once again been very busy attempting to raise the profile of the fight against poverty and social injustice in Scotland.

One of the factors that dominated much of the work of the Alliance, and of great many other organisations in Scotland, was the prospect of elections in Scotland in 2007. As can be seen in the many references to the elections in this report, the Alliance worked hard to ensure that the issue moved up the political agenda during the campaign and that it stayed there. The ‘Agenda for Action on Poverty’ was an ambitious programme of activity designed to help the Alliance raise the profile of poverty issues in the run up to the election, and to begin to identify new approaches to addressing the problem. Although exhausting for all the staff involved in this work, it was an important initiative, bringing the Alliance into contact with people we had not worked with for some time or who were new to us.

Alongside the activity for the Agenda for Action, we were also involved in the production of two important reports, also designed to bring attention to the problem of poverty in Scotland. The Poverty in Scotland 2007 book, a joint effort between the CPAG, the Alliance, the Scottish Poverty Information Unit and the Open University, and the research we carried out with a consortium of faith and voluntary sector organisations highlighted the importance of having a strong evidence base for the arguments we make against poverty.

The results of the election have, of course, put us into a new phase of continuing experience of Scottish devolution. It presents both challenges and opportunities for those of us committed to fighting poverty. However, if we are to make progress in tackling poverty we need not only be concerned with influencing the representatives we have in Holyrood or even in Westminster. Both the Get Heard project and the Agenda for Action on Poverty work have reminded us, if we even needed reminding, that there is a large number of community and voluntary organisations, and of individual activists, that are keen to take forward the fight against poverty. This is a constituency that the Alliance must continue to tap into and work with to make the changes we and our members see as necessary for a more socially just Scotland.

As we move through 2007-08, we want to ensure that the Alliance is better able than ever to engage with all those who are part of the fight against poverty, particularly those with first hand experience and knowledge of poverty. We will hope to build and strengthen our relationship with the new Scottish Government, whilst retaining our role as an independent and critical voice in the debate about how best to tackle poverty in Scotland.

Our activity over the last year has highlighted again that we have the ability to be a critical voice that is needed in the debate about poverty. It has also shown that there are many individuals and organisations out there that we need to do more to work with and to actively involve in that debate. Our members and supporters can rest assured that we will continue to reach out and involve greater numbers in our work.

Again we should be proud of our achievements over the last year, and I would like to record my thanks to all the members of staff and my fellow board members for creating those achievements. The whole staff team in the Alliance have once again shown real commitment to the goals and values of the Poverty Alliance. We would particularly like to thank two members of staff who have now moved on: Lynn Burnett and Mhoraig Green – both made a real impact in the relatively short time they were with us and we all wish them the best in the future. We are also...
losing the officers of the board as they come to the ends of their terms. We thank them all for the work they have contributed over the last three years and special thanks to our Convenor, Sam Eccles, who has recently given birth to her first child (a good reason for not being able to write a Convenors report!).

Peter Kelly
Director

Directors Report

Delivering on Objectives:
April 2006 – March 2007

Working with Communities

Get Heard: The project was one of the key parts of the Alliance’s work aimed at engaging communities in the process of policy development. Last year’s annual report highlighted the activities that had taken part during this project, including running 50 workshops across Scotland to help feed the views of people with experience of poverty into the development of anti-poverty policy. This Scottish work was fed into the wider UK project. The results of the Scottish work then formed part of the UK wide report. This report is available from the Poverty Alliance and a summary was also published as an annex to the UK Governments National Action Plan on Social Inclusion.

In May 2006 evidence from the project was also presented to members of the Communities Committee in the Scottish Parliament. The evidence was presented by a number of community activists and made a real impact on the members of the Committee. The legacy paper of the Communities Committee made a number of references and recommendations to the Get Heard project. The Alliance will be doing its best to ensure that these recommendations are followed up and that this type of engagement between the Parliament and communities is repeated on a regular basis. The lessons learned from the Get Heard project are being actively carried forward through the Bridging the Policy Gap project that the Alliance is now leading. Further details regarding this project are covered below.

Moving On: This project was launched in November 2005 and is a peer education project aimed at young people who are preparing to move on from secondary school and may be at risk of social exclusion. After an intensive development phase the project has worked successfully in three secondary schools in Glasgow. In addition to producing training materials and information for young people about to leave school, young people involved in the project organised a hustings meeting before the Scottish elections. Representatives from all the main political parties were subjected to a grilling from more than 150 pupils from across Glasgow. The young people will also be leading in the planning for a final project conference due to take place in November 2007. For further details please contact Isabelle Gray: isabelle.gray@povertyalliance.org

Bridging the Policy Gap: This project builds on the work carried out during the Get Heard project in the run up to the NAP Social Inclusion 2006-08. It is an attempt to have a deeper, more focused dialogue between people affected by social policies and those who develop them. This project will not only focus on the dialogue between national policy makers and communities, but will also involve those responsible for the implementation of policy at the local level. Initial preparatory work was carried out in the last financial year, although the bulk of the activity will be carried out during 2007-08. The project will work primarily through three ‘peer review’ events bringing together policy makers from national government, devolved administrations, local authorities, people experiencing poverty and the voluntary sector. These events will take place in Swansea, London and Glasgow and will consider where and why specific policies are being successful. The lessons learned will then hopefully be taken forward and applied in other contexts. It is hoped that as well as feeding into and influencing the NAP process in 2008, the project will also develop a model for actively engaging
Influencing Social Policy

As in previous years the Poverty Alliance has worked through a range of different forums and activities in order to influence social policy. This section of the report focuses on the Poverty Alliance’s involvement in a wide range of partnerships to influence the development of social policies. Much of the work referred to under ‘Working with Communities’ can also have an impact on the development of improved social policies, particularly the responses to consultations and joint meetings between policy makers and communities.

Agenda for Action on Poverty: This was a major piece of work for the Poverty Alliance during 2006-07. The intention of this work was to help ensure that issues of poverty and social exclusion were debated in the run up to the Scottish elections in May 2007. In order to do this it was decided to produce a new ‘Agenda for Action on Poverty’.

The first phase of this work took place between November 2006-February 2007 when the Alliance organised 15 seminars across Scotland look at the problems of poverty and social exclusion and getting the views of a range of voluntary and community organisations. More than 260 people from over 180 organisations attended these seminars. Reports from each of these seminars was produced and contributed to the production of the publication For Social Justice: An Agenda for Action on Poverty that contained wide-ranging recommendations.

The Alliance worked with the Scottish Churches Parliamentary Office and Dundee Anti-Poverty Forum to coordinate poverty hustings meetings in Glasgow, Edinburgh, Dundee and Aberdeen prior to the elections. We also collaborated with a number of other organisations including CPAG, Save the Children, Energy Action Scotland, Barnardos to carry out media work to focus attention on poverty during the elections. The issues identified in the Agenda for Action on Poverty will influence the lobbying priorities for the Alliance over the coming years.

Consultation responses: A number of consultation responses were submitted by the Alliance over the last year:

- Review of Extension of Prescription Charges
- Welfare Reform Green Paper
- Scottish Affairs Committee Inquiry into Poverty in Scotland
- Scottish Executive Consultation on the School Meals (Nutrition) Bill
- Response to the Culture Commission
- Modern Apprenticeships consultation (with the Scottish Women’s Convention)
- Response to the Petitions Committee request on School Clothing Grants

Consultation responses have been distributed to Alliance members and all are available from our website.

Social Policy Task Force: The Alliance has continued to play a leading role in work to develop an ongoing dialogue with policy makers regarding the development of the National Action Plan on Social Inclusion. We have provided strong support for the Social Policy Task Force (SPTF) to engage with DWP officials in the future development of the NAP and related issues. The SPTF is a group formed by the European Anti-Poverty Network (EAPN) and the UK Coalition Against Poverty (UKCAP) and is made up of a number of anti-poverty organisations from across the UK including CPAG, Oxfam, Age Concern, Single Parent Action Network, ATD Forth World. This forum has become one of the key ways that the Alliance attempts to engage with the strategic development and formation of policy at the UK level. Over the last year the Alliance has been represented at five meetings of the SPTF and four joint DWP-SPTF meetings. Attendance at these meetings has ensured that Scottish issues have been well represented in discussions.
with the DWP.

The next NAP on Social Inclusion is due to be published and the Alliance will be seeking opportunities to have further, more extensive, engagement of the community and voluntary sector in Scotland in its development. For further information about the SPTF and how to get involved please contact Peter Kelly peter.kelly@povertyalliance.org

**UK Coalition Against Poverty:** In addition to the work with the SPTF, the Poverty Alliance has continued to work with the UK Coalition Against Poverty and provides Scottish representation on the Board of UKCAP. The two Scottish representatives on the board of UKCAP are now Harry Cartmill of West Lothian Poverty Action Forum and John Mulvey of the Scottish Local Government Forum Against Poverty. For further information about the work of UKCAP contact Robin Tennant robin.tennant@povertyalliance.org

**European Anti Poverty Network:** The Alliance continues to play an active role in the work of EAPN in Scotland and the UK. Much of this work finds its expression in our engagement in the NAP Social Inclusion, although we have been increasingly active in ensuring that EAPN messages and positions are communicated to UK Government Ministers. Progress has begun to be made in making the Alliance’s activity in this area more directly relevant to the concerns of our members in Scotland. Over the coming year we will develop plans for training on European issues for our members. For further details on the European work of the Poverty Alliance contact Peter Kelly: peter.kelly@povertyalliance.org

**Scottish Poverty Audit:** This was a project designed to help ensure that the voices of those with direct experience of poverty were heard in the run up to the Scottish elections in 2007. A consortium involving a range of Scottish faith and voluntary sector organisations worked together on developing a research programme that would help to have people’s voices heard. Funding was received from the Joseph Rowntree Foundation and the research was carried out between March and December 2006. The findings highlight continuing problems for many people, particularly with regard to inadequate incomes, support to find work and training and access to services. In addition to the final publication (titled ‘Voices of People Experiencing Poverty in Scotland: Everyone Matter’, available from the JRF website at www.jrf.org.uk), a short DVD was also produced. Both were launched at an event in the Scottish Parliament attended by a cross party group of MSPs. For more information regarding this project contact Peter Kelly: peter.kelly@povertyalliance.org

**Policy Forums:** Two forums were held during the year on health inequalities and asylum issues. More than 50 people from the community and voluntary sector, policy makers and academics attended these events. Reports from these seminars are available. To find out more about the policy forums contact Peter Kelly: peter.kelly@povertyalliance.org

**Campaigning, Debating and Media**

**Free School Meals:** In 2006-07 the Poverty Alliance maintained its commitment to the Free School Meals Campaign. Together with One Plus, CPAG and the Scottish Youth Parliament, the Alliance has been taking a leading role in the campaign, we have supported efforts to increase cross party support for a revised Bill on free school meals for primary school children. Much of the energy for the campaign went into supporting a new Bill. This Bill was ultimately successful but the campaign will continue to advocate for changes in the provision of school meals. It will take a positive approach to the piloting free school meals initiative that has been introduced by the new Scottish Government. For further information regarding the Free Schools Meals Campaign contact rachel.jury@povertyalliance.org http://www.freeschoolmeals.org

**Scottish Campaign on Welfare Reform:** The Alliance continued to play a leading role in SCOWR. The Campaign, jointly led by the
Alliance, CPAG, Citizens Advice Scotland and Capability Scotland, continued to lobby MPs on the changes to the welfare system, particularly to Incapacity Benefit, highlighting concerns on income adequacy, compulsion on individuals and resources for reform. The campaign was successful in bringing together a range of organisations to raise awareness of changes to the welfare system. As a new wave of welfare reform takes place in 2007 and 2008, the Alliance is again working with members of the Government to defend the rights of unemployed people. For further information contact Peter Kelly: peter.kelly@povertyalliance.org

Encouraging Debate

An important aspect of the Poverty Alliance’s work involves giving talks and presentations to a wide range of groups and organisations on current issues related to poverty and social exclusion. Over the last year we have given talks and presentations to almost 600 people across Scotland. This work is crucial in ensuring that the issues of poverty and social exclusion are highlighted to a wide audience and that the approach to tackling poverty in Scotland is better understood. Over the last year talks and presentations have been given to the following groups and organisations: (Please see table at the end of the report)

We are grateful to all the organisations that have invited the Poverty Alliance to address their meetings and conferences throughout the last year.

During 2006-07 Poverty Alliance members of staff have continued to be involved in a wide range of groups and networks. These ensure that the concerns of the Alliance are widely understood and the arguments we present are widely disseminated.

- Member of the Cross Party Cross Parliamentary Group on Debt;
- Community Health Exchange Advisory Committee;
- Scottish Community Action Research Fund Advisory Group;
- Scottish Women’s Convention;
- Scottish Panel member of the Scottish Community Foundation’s ‘Fair Share’ programme;
- GCVS Community Planning Working Group;
- Advisory Group for Child Poverty Action Group Scotland;
- Board member of the UK Coalition Against Poverty;
- Member of SCVO Policy Officer Network;
- Member of the All Party Parliamentary Group on Poverty;
- Member of the Social Policy Task Force; and
- Member of the UK Liaison Group of the European Anti-Poverty Network

Media Work

In addition to public speaking engagements, the Poverty Alliance also responds to requests from the media. Although issues of poverty and social exclusion are still given little space in policy debates in the media, the Alliance’s record in intervening in these debates is improving. Over the last year we have been quoted or interviewed in the following publications: the Sunday Herald, the Herald, the Scotsman, the Evening Times, the Daily Record, the Evening News, and the Big Issue. In addition to the print media we have also made numerous appearances on radio and television. We have also had appearances on Scotland Today, Radio Clyde, Real Radio, Radio Scotland, Clan FM, and SAGA FM.

Publications and Information

Poverty in Scotland 2007: The Poverty in Scotland series of publications has become a key source of information for activists, community groups, students and anyone with an interest in poverty issues in Scotland. The Alliance was for the first time part of the production team for this important publication. Working with CPAG Scotland, the Scottish Poverty Information Unit and the Open University another high quality publication was produced and launched shortly before the Scottish elections. The
launch event at Glasgow Caledonian University was addressed by the First Minister and received widespread coverage in the on the day and in the weeks following the publication. To order a copy of Poverty in Scotland 2007 contact Poe McHugh: poe.mchugh@povertyalliance.org

ENews: Our email based news service has continued to receive very positive feedback due to the range and quality of information it contains. The number of subscribers to the service increased by more than 30% in 2006-07, with around 800 people now receiving regular updates from the Alliance. If you would like information distributed please get in touch with Rachel Jury: rachel.jury@povertyalliance.org

Review: Three editions of the Scottish Anti Poverty Review have now been produced and have included articles from a range of academics and representatives of other important organisations. A themed approach has been taken to each issue, an approach which will be continued in 2006-07. For more information on the Review or to subscribe contact Rachel Jury: rachel.jury@povertyalliance.org

Treasurers Report

The year 2006-7 was one of financial stability for the Poverty Alliance, not surprising given that it was the middle year of the current three year funding agreement with the Scottish Government. The stability that funding from the Scottish Government allows is added to by the continued generous support from a number of Scottish Local Authorities. During 2006-07 we have managed to maintain a strong level of financial support from a number of local authorities based in west central Scotland. Funding from Scottish Local authorities stood at £66,369, down from the £68,269 received in 2005-06. We are particularly grateful to Glasgow City Council for their continued support of the work of the Poverty Alliance. Our strong relationships with local authorities in North and South Lanarkshire, West Dunbartonshire and North Ayrshire continue to develop.

In addition to securing and stabilising core funding, the Alliance has also sought additional project funding to allow us to more effectively deliver our core objectives. The Poverty Audit project, involving a consortium of organisations with the Alliance as the lead, was funded by the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, with additional funding from the Church of Scotland and the Shaw Trust. The Alliance was also the lead organisation in a UK-wide application to the European Commission for funding under a programme designed to raise awareness of the National Action Plans on Social Inclusion. In addition to securing funding for this programme from the European Commission, match funding was also secured from the Department for Work and Pension, the Scottish Government and the City and County of Swansea. The work began in December 2006 and will last for one year.

During 2006-07 the organisation increased earned income, primarily printing and design and room hire and consultancy work. With regard to earned income, the most significant development has been a short term piece of research carried out for the Scottish Consumer Council (SCC). Our work with SCC demonstrates our ability to carry out independent consultancy work which can help bring additional financial security to the organisation. Together with the funding from BLF, we believe there is further scope to increase earned income over the coming years.

Overall, the Poverty Alliance has continued to improve its financial position, maintaining the balanced budget of the last three years. As predicted last year we have began the process of developing our project funded work, most notably by accessing European funding. Developing project funded work not only allows us to more effectively deliver our core objectives, but also enhances the impact of our core funding.
**Plans for Future Period**

The funding support the Alliance receives from the Scottish Government will be reviewed in the second half of 2007. This evaluation will be carried out independently and is expected to be completed by November 2007. This evaluation will form the basis of negotiations with the Scottish Government regarding continued funding of the Poverty Alliance.

As noted above, there has been a slight decline in funding received from Scottish Local Authorities over the last year. This erosion of support from Scottish Local Authorities has been a long term process and is directly related to the increasingly tight financial settlement. We have been aware of the heavy reliance that the Poverty Alliance has on the generous support of a few west central Scotland Local Authorities, and that action must be taken to reduce this reliance. We have made greater efforts to establish new contacts with Local Authorities outside the central belt over the last year, particularly through our ‘Agenda for Action’ seminars. We will build on this activity over the coming year to encourage a greater number of authorities to provide financial support to the Alliance.

Beyond sources of core funding, we remain committed to developing a range of projects that will not only help deliver the Poverty Alliance’s core objectives but will also make a contribution to our core resources. Over the last year we have continued to develop a significant application aimed at the Big Lottery Fund’s (BLF) Dynamic, Inclusive Communities programme. Over the course of 2007-08 we will also submit applications to follow up our successful Moving On project. These applications will be submitted before the current programme of work is completed in November 2007. In addition to these two central pieces of project work we expect to submit proposals to a range of funding bodies to support other initiatives including an awareness raising project around women and poverty as well as the continued development of our Poverty Awareness Training programme. We also plan to build on the experience of the Poverty Audit, by working with other voluntary organisations and academic institutions to seek funding to support a programme of research for the Poverty Alliance.

These plans are in line with the Alliance’s current strategic plan in seeking to secure long term core funding alongside enhanced project funding to support local and national projects. Copies of our audited accounts are available from our Administrator, Poe McHugh poe.mchugh@povertyalliance.org.

We would like to thank all our funders for their support during 2005-06: the Scottish Government, Glasgow City Council, North Lanarkshire Council, South Lanarkshire Council, West Dunbartonshire Council, North Ayrshire Council, the Department of Work and Pensions, the Joseph Rowntree Foundation, the European Commission, the City and County of Swansea, the Church of Scotland, the Shaw Trust, the UK Coalition Against Poverty, and the Tudor Trust.

Grace MacRea
Treasurer

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GCVS
Glasgow & West of Scotland (Blind)
Glasgow Association for Mental Health
Glasgow Braendam Link
Glasgow Old Peoples Welfare
Help the Aged
Ladymuir Community House
Leonard Cheshire Scotland
Linked Work & Training Trust
Moray Against Poverty Network
North Lanarkshire Volunteer Develop Agency
Oxfam
Parent Action for Safe Play
PHACE Scotland
Pilton Community Health Project
Rutherglen & Cambuslang CAB
Save The Children
Scottish Churches SIN
Scottish Community Diet Project
Scottish Council for Single Homeless
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Tannochside Information Centre
The Iona Community
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Age Concern Scotland
Alternative Stress Centre
Angus CAB
Argyll & Bute Council
Beechwood Women & Arts Group
Bellsbank Women’s Project
Boghall Drop-in & Resource Centre
Bonnar Associates
Capital City Partnership
Cassiltoun Housing Association Ltd
CHEX
Company
Co-Operative Group
Dighty Environmental Group
Direct Payments Caledonia
Dundee City Council
East Dunbartonshire CAB

East Dunbartonshire CVS
East Renfrewshire Council
Edinburgh Central Citizens Advice Bureau
Edinburgh Tenants Federation
Encouraging Community Health Options
Falkirk Council - Community Education
Financial Fitness Resource Team
GCC Social Work Services
Glasgow Association for Mental Health
Glasgow City Council
Grampian Health Board
Grampian Support Forum for Credit Unions
Haddington CAB
International Network of Street Papers (INSP)
Irvine and District Poverty Action Group
Langlees & Bainsford Community Learning Centre
Midlothian Advice & Resource Centre
Mountblow Community Project
Muslim Women’s Resource Centre
Nithsdale Council for Voluntary Service
Nithsdale Physical Disability Team
North Ayrshire Council
North Lanarkshire Council
Ormlie Community Association Ltd
Parents Receiving Individual Development & Encouragement
Pensioners Action Group East (P.A.G.E)
Perth & Kinross Council
Pilmeny Development Project
Possil & Milton Forum on Disability
REACH Community Health Project
Ruchill Community Learning Centre
Scottish Local Government Forum Against Poverty
Scottish Pensions Association Edinburgh Council
Silver Birch (Scotland) Ltd
South Lanarkshire Council
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Toonspeak Young Peoples Theatre
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join us!

The Poverty Alliance is a national anti-poverty development agency for Scotland which seeks to combat poverty through collaborative action, bringing together workers and activists drawn from the public sector, voluntary organisations, community groups and other agencies.

The Alliance's wide range of activities provide many opportunities for members to exchange information and expertise which benefit the anti-poverty movement.

The benefits of membership include regular mailings, Scottish Anti-Poverty Review, opportunities to become involved in working groups and access to a wide range of organisations and activists who have the potential to influence the direction of anti-poverty policy in the future.

Membership Application

Name and designation of contact person

Name and address of organisation

Telephone

Fax

Email

Membership Fees - Ordinary Members >> Local Authorities, Health Boards, Enterprise Companies: £500.00
Voluntary Organisations >> Income under £10,000: £25.00, £10,000 - £75,000: £50.00, £75,000 - £175,000: £75.00, Over £500,000: £100.00
Associate Members >> Local Authorities, Health Boards, Enterprise Companies: £200.00 >> Unwaged Individuals: £5.00
All other categories: £25.00

I/We wish to apply for *Ordinary/Associate Membership for the year ____________

* please delete as appropriate NB Membership of The Poverty Alliance runs from 1st April to 31st March. Applications for new membership received after April 1st are charged on a pro rata basis.

Signature ____________________________________________    Date   ___________

please send the completed application form to the address below - thank you