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A meeting of the **MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP** will be held in the **ISLAY HIGH SCHOOL, BOWMORE, ISLAY** on **WEDNESDAY, 4 JUNE 2014** at **2:00 PM**.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director - Customer Services

AGENDA

1. **APOLOGIES**
2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
3. **MINUTES**
 - (a) Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Planning Group held on 5 March 2014 (Pages 1 - 8)
 - (b) Mid Argyll Partnership (MAP) meeting held on 12 March 2014 (Pages 9 - 18)
 - (c) Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG) meeting held on 25 April 2014 (Pages 19 - 24)
4. **OUTCOME 1. IN ARGYLL AND BUTE THE ECONOMY IS DIVERSE AND THRIVING**
 - (a) Highlight/Exception Report - Mid Argyll Partnership Report by Area Governance Officer (Pages 25 - 28)
 - (b) Highlight/exceptions report - Kintyre Initiative Working Group Report by Area Governance Officer (Pages 29 - 34)



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5. OUTCOME 2. WE HAVE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS SUSTAINABLE GROWTH.

- (a) BT - Exchange Infrastructure issues on Islay and Jura.

Issue raised by Jura Community Council.

6. OUTCOME 3. EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING MAXIMISES OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

- (a) Education Quality and Standards Report

A report by Anne Paterson, Quality Standards Manager (Pages 35 - 36)

7. OUTCOME 4. IN ARGYLL AND BUTE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE START.

8. OUTCOME 5. PEOPLE LIVE ACTIVE, HEALTHIER AND INDEPENDENT LIVES

- (a) NHS Highland
An update on Food and Healthy Weight – Carol Muir
(Pages 37 - 42)

- (b) Argyll Voluntary Action

9. OUTCOME 6. PEOPLE LIVE IN SAFER AND STRONGER COMMUNITIES

- (a) Police Scotland

- (b) Scottish Fire and Rescue

- (c) Highlight/Exceptions report - MAKI Community Safety Forum
Report by Area Governance Officer (Pages 43 - 48)

10. ISSUES RAISED BY COMMUNITY COUNCILS

Please see Item 5 (a).

11. ISSUES RAISED BY THE THIRD SECTOR PARTNERSHIP

12. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING EVENTS

Report by Community Development Officer (Pages 49 - 64)

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Planning Group will take place on Wednesday 3rd September 2014 at 2.00pm in Campbeltown.

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Councillor Rory Colville (Chair)

Councillor Donald MacMillan (Vice-Chair)

Shirley MacLeod – Area Governance Manager

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**MINUTES of MEETING of MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY
PLANNING GROUP held in the COUNCIL CHAMBERS, KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD
on WEDNESDAY, 5 MARCH 2014**

Present:

(Chair)
Councillor Rory Colville
Councillor Robin Currie
Councillor Donald Kelly
Councillor Donald MacMillan
Councillor Anne Horn
Councillor John McAlpine
Councillor Sandy Taylor

**Campbeltown
by video link**

Councillor John Semple

Attending

Shirley MacLeod
Eddie Renfrew
Craig McNally
Duncan Clelland
Margaret Wallace
Bob Chicken
Adrian Davis
Area Governance Manager
Group Commander Scottish
Fire and Rescue
Senior Health Promotion
Specialist
Community Development
Officer
AVA
Tarbert and Skipness
Community Council
Inveraray Community Council

**Campbeltown
by video link**

Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie

1. APOLOGIES

The Chair ruled, and the Group agreed, to adjourn at 2.00p.m. for lunch and reconvene at 2.15p.m. to allow for lunch

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made around the table.

Apologies for absence were intimated by:-

Christina West, NHS Highland
Donnie Cameron, NHS Highland

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. MINUTES

(a) **MAKI CPG MEETING HELD ON 4 DECEMBER 2013**

The Minute of the meeting of Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Planning Group held on 4 December, 2013 was approved as a true and correct record.

Councillors Currie and Horn requested that the update discussed at the December meeting in regards the service point dealing with public enquiries for Police Scotland be forwarded to them as a matter of urgency.

(b) MID ARGYLL PARTNERSHIP (MAP) MEETING HELD ON 11 DECEMBER, 2013.

The Minute of the meeting of the Mid Argyll Partnership (MAP) meeting held on 11 December 2013 was noted.

(c) KINTYRE INITIATIVE WORKING GROUP (KIWG) MEETING HELD ON 13 DECEMBER, 2013.

The Minute of the meeting of the Kintyre Initiative Group meeting held on 13 December 2013 was noted.

4. PARTNERSHIP UPDATES

(a) POLICE SCOTLAND

Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie updated the group on crime priorities for the MAKI area. She outlined these across the various local areas:-

Mid Argyll have identified 4 priorities that the Community would like to see tackled by Police Scotland - 1. Drug Use/Drug Dealing 2. Road Safety/Road Crime 3. Violence/Anti social behaviour and 4. Dishonesty.

South Kintyre have identified 1. Drug Use/Drug Dealing 2. Road Safety/Road Crime 3. Vehicle Parking and 4. Violence/Anti social Behaviour.

Kintyre and the Islands have identified 1. Road Safety/Road Crime 2. Vehicle Parking 3. Drug use/Drug Dealing and 4. Violence/Anti social behaviour

She continued that the ward plans should be published in April this year and would include actions that Police Scotland would be undertaking to address the issues identified.

Chief Inspector Baillie verified that the Span of Command would be implemented on 1 April 2014 and would merge OLI and MAKI Command. She would be the Area Commander responsible for operating policies in both these areas

Discussion continued around various issues which included the

recent spate of burglaries in the MAKI area and the accessing of police services at the Bowmore Service point. Chief Inspector Baillie outlined that details were being finalised in terms of the practical implementation of working in partnership with the local authority in providing this Public Counter service to the public.

The Chair thanked Chief Inspector Baillie for her informative update.

Decision

The group noted the update.

(b) SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE

The group considered a report from Group Commander Eddie Renfrew which was tabled at the meeting and provided the detail of a dwelling house fire at Col na Sithe; Upper Kilchattan; Colonsay. He advised that at present there was no Fire & Rescue mapping information, regarding hydrant locations or pressures, currently in place for remote/island communities. However, he continued that these may be available from Scottish Water. Group Commander Renfrew emphasised that the local fire crews would have knowledge of existing mains supplies and, in addition, he hoped they would be conversant with available open water sources.

After a series of questions, it was agreed that Group Commander Renfrew would identify a way forward to deal with issues which his incident had raised and would forward to elected Members details of the actions taken.

Decision

The group noted the update from Scotland Fire and Rescue.

(c) NHS HIGHLAND

The group gave consideration to a report by Craig McNally, Senior Health Promotion Specialist (Alcohol & Drugs). The report detailed information and a number of inter-related strands to ensure that individuals and communities have access to appropriate information, knowledge and skills which enable them to make positive, well informed, choices regarding their alcohol use.

The Chair thanked Craig McNally for his informative update.

Christina West had also submitted a MAKI Locality update

Decision

The group noted the reports.

(d) **SCOTTISH WATER**

There was no update from Scottish Water.

(e) **ARGYLL VOLUNTARY ACTION**

Margaret Wallace had provided an update from Glenn Heritage, which detailed information from the Third Sector and Communities CPP Sub Group.

Decision

The group noted the update.

(f) **ACHA**

Decision:

The group noted the presentation from ACHA which was detailed within the Agenda pack.

(g) **HIGHLIGHT/EXCEPTIONS REPORT - MAKI COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM**

The group considered a report providing updates on Community Safety Partnership issues which have taken place over the last few months.

Decision

The group agreed to note the report.

5. HIGHLIGHT/EXCEPTION REPORT - MID ARGYLL PARTNERSHIP

The group considered a report which updated on the main areas of work undertaken by the Mid Argyll Partnership (MAP).

Decision

The group noted the report.

6. HIGHLIGHT/EXCEPTIONS REPORT - KINTYRE INITIATIVE WORKING GROUP

The group considered a report which updated on the main areas of work undertaken by the Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG).

Decision

The group noted the report.

Councillor John McAlpine left the meeting at 3.00p.m.

7. ISSUES RAISED BY COMMUNITY COUNCILS

Bob Chicken, Tarbert and Skipness Community Council detailed 2 issues

of concern. These were the need for an initiative to include young people on Community Councils and continuing concerns of the local community in regards the A83.

Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager acknowledged that this issue was still being given consideration by the Short Life Working Group (SLWG) instigated to review this. She confirmed that she would advise the Community Planning Group when a decision had been made by the SLWG.

In regards issues on the A83, Shirley MacLeod stated that representation from both Transport Scotland and BEAR had been requested to attend the forthcoming MAKI Area Committee meeting scheduled for April in Campbeltown to respond to local community concerns.

8. ISSUES RAISED BY THE THIRD SECTOR PARTNERSHIP

This issue was dealt with at Item 4(e).

9. LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN - 2014-2018

The Area Governance Manager tabled the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Economic Development Action Plan 2013-2018.

Decision

The group agreed that the report would be disseminated to local Community Councils Secretaries for their review.

10. FUTURE MEETING PROGRAMME

The group heard an update from the Area Governance Manager in regards future meeting dates.

Decision

The group noted the meeting dates update.

11. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP CONSULTATION EVENTS

The group considered a report from the Community Development Officer which provided an update on the progress to date for the recent Area forum events.

Discussion followed on the success of the recent local events and Members commended the hard work and effort by Duncan Clelland, MAKI Community Development Officer in synchronising these.

Decision

The group noted the update and agreed to the recommendations contained within the report.

(Reference: Report by the Community Development Manager, dated 25 February 2014, submitted).

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**MINUTES of MEETING of MID ARGYLL PARTNERSHIP held in the COMMITTEE ROOM 1,
KILMORY, LOCHGILPHEAD
on WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2014**

Present:

	(Chair)	
	Councillor Sandy Taylor	
Councillor Anne Horn		Councillor Donald MacMillan
Iain MacLeod		ACHA
Sgt Danny McGeachy		Police Scotland
Heather Clark		Furnace CC
Sharon MacInnes		Furnace CC
Hugh Thomson		South Knapdale CC
Adrian Davis		Inveraray CC
Barbara Holness		Dunadd CC
Mary Smyth		Craignish CC
Bob Chicken		Tarbert & Skipness CC
Leonard McNeill		West Lochfyne CC
Jeannette Laughton		Ardrishaig CC
Tom Murphy		Argyll and Bute Council
Paul Martin		Argyll and Bute Council
Stephen Doogan		Argyll and Bute Council
Duncan Clelland		Argyll and Bute Council
Roanna Clark		Argyll and Bute Council
Raymond Flanagan		Argyll and Bute Council

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were intimated by:

Councillor Robin Currie
Councillor Douglas Philand
Kate MacAulay, NHS Highland
David C Jardine, Forest District Manager
Jim Frame (SEPA)
Benedict Tustin (SEPA)
Rod Buchanan (ACHA)
Stewart Clark (Argyll and Bute Council)
Douglas Blades (Argyll and Bute Council)

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and explained that the Amenity Services Area Manager – Tom Murphy had given a short presentation to Members in regards the proposed Amenity Service savings and welcomed input from the MAP in regards the review of this process.

Discussion continued and various issues and initiatives were outlined and Mr Murphy emphasised that he welcomed opportunities which would help establish partnerships with local Community Councils to address the proposed service reduction in the local area.

The issue of officers attending local Community Council meetings was raised and Mr Murphy highlighted that a reduction in his management structure negated attendance at all meetings, but that he could arrange officer attendance for specific issues.

The group drew attention to Insurance cover for duties which may be undertaken on a voluntary basis.

Decision

The group agreed that:-

1. The Amenity Services Manager would organise a date to meet with Community Council representatives to give a fuller presentation and to explore any initiatives or suggestions that could be undertaken locally. A representative of Argyll and Bute Council or the insurers would also attend this meeting to advise on any insurance cover issues raised.

2. MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 11 DECEMBER 2013

The Minute of the previous meeting held on 11 December, 2013 was approved as a true record, subject to the following amendments:-

Item 4 (b) The title should read – South Knapdale

Item 4 (d) Achahoish Primary School created a St Kilda Museum

3. MATTERS ARISING

(a) IMPROVING REPRESENTATION AND TERMS OF REFERENCE

The group gave consideration to a report which invited partners to consider the future shape and form of the group and also sought guidance from the partners as to whether they would consider reviewing the terms of reference (TOR) for the group, as well as considering its place within the Community Planning structures in place in Argyll and in Scotland as a whole.

Discussion followed and the group requested that further time be given to allow them to have further discussion within their own Community Councils.

Decision

The group agreed that this issue be continued to the next MAP meeting scheduled for 11 June.

(Reference: Report by the Executive Director of Community Services, dated March 2014, submitted).

(b) CPP EVENT UPDATE

The group heard an update from the Community Development Officer – Duncan Clelland detailing the success of the recent events held in the MAKI area.

He highlighted that overall 600 people had participated in the 15 events held across Argyll and Bute and 500 questionnaires had been completed. Duncan confirmed that there was a commonality across the events held and detailed the main issues that local communities had raised.

These included:-

Economy
Community Plans
Business
Health and Education (including retention of staff)
Training Opportunities
Children and Young People
Safer and Stronger Communities

Decision:

The group agreed that Duncan would disseminate a report to the group and local Community Councils which summarised the various issues highlighted and outlined at the recent events.

4. VILLAGE/ TOWN/AREA PLAN UPDATES INCLUDING

(a) ARDRISHAIG

The group heard an update from Jeannette Laughton where she detailed ongoing meetings with both Argyll and Bute Council and Scottish Canals. She highlighted various local initiatives – including Works at the War Memorial and tidying the Canal Bank. Jeannette added that the Community Council had also designed a flyer which would be distributed to people using the canal and would highlight the various amenities in Ardrishaig. She outlined the 6 sub-groups within the Community Council which were assigned for various projects.

(b) TARBERT CONSERVATION AREA

The group heard an update from Bob Chicken in which he reported that various road issues had not been resolved in the local area. He also reported that the Community Council was now quorate.

(c) CRAIGNISH

The group heard an update from Mary Smyth and she detailed that recent remedial works on the A816 had been completed. She added that plans had recently been submitted for Craobh Haven and Lunga without consultation with local residents. May continued that the beach clean season had commenced.

(d) FURNACE

Heather Clark and Sharon MacInnes reported on a recent event which had raised £700 for 2 local charities and the local lifeboat. Planning permission had been granted for the village hall extension and remedial work had been

completed on Redwell Park.

(e) **WEST LOCHFYNE**

Leonard McNeill updated the group on recent conservation work at the War Memorial and highlighted major problems which had been encountered in the Village Hall. He outlined various road issues and highlighted the potential impact of these onto tourist traffic in the summer.

(f) **LOCHGILPHEAD**

There was no update from Lochgilphead Community Council.

(g) **DUNADD**

Barbara Holness reported on the progress made towards the production of a local Community Plan and highlighted the growing cost of the footpath between Bridgend and Glassary. She advised the need for adequate parking issues at the Kilmartin Museum when it is further developed and a proposed meeting to try and resolve this.

(h) **SOUTH KNAPDALE**

Hugh Thomson informed the group that the Community Council were endeavouring to facilitate more formative local contact within the community. He highlighted the potential impact of the 2 proposed Wind farm projects to the local area.

(i) **INVERARAY**

Adrian Davis outlined various structural problems in the old Community Hall, in addition there were also ownership issues.

5. HOUSING ISSUES

The group heard a short update on ACHA issues from Iain McLeod, Local manager, Property Services. He emphasised that he was unable to provide a strategic overview to the group, but confirmed that Yvonne Litster, ACHA Regional Manager was prepared to attend a future MAP meeting to undertake this.

Iain's verbal update included details on the following:-

Dewar Avenue - the former play park is a blank canvas and ACHA would welcome any proposals from Lochgilphead CC.

Bridge Terrace road – Quotes have been obtained from ABC and Breedon Aggregates for resurfacing the road. In addition, Fyne Forestry has requested a quote from McNaughton and there is an agreement between Fyne Forestry, ACHA and Argyll Estates to pay a share of costs.

There is street lighting up to Bridge Terr and Council service vehicles use this road).

Three owners have been written to (South Craleckan, 5 Bridge Terrace and Bridge Cottage) and, to date, only one response has been received. The owner of Bridge Cottage has stated that he was not prepared to make a contribution. Reminder letters will be sent to owners of Bridge Terr and S Craleckan.

In regards Duncholgan core path, Argyll and Bute Council will be submitting a Sustrans funding bid again this year.

ACHA have submitted a planning application for a proposed new build at Oakfield, Tarbert which will comprise of 8 units. The design & build contract has been awarded to MacLeod Construction and the planning application has been approved. The site is currently owned by the Council and a land transfer agreement is being progressed.

In addition, a Planning application for Barn Park, Inveraray (12 units) in February and a design & build contract has been awarded to Stewart McNee Ltd., Dunoon. Subject to planning approval, a site start could be made in May 2014. The site is currently owned by Argyll Estates and a land transfer agreement has been agreed.

Iain informed the group of the on-going joint working between ACHA and PO on the CARS project. He advised of the appointment of the new CARS officer – Mr Iain Barker, who will work closely with all involved and help with the consolidation of the project.

Iain confirmed that the various Roof & Roughcast, Heating & Rewire Projects were still on-going. The replacement Windows, Doors, Kitchen & Bathrooms projects were drawing to an end. He highlighted that engagement with private owners was proving difficult in some R&R projects and causing these projects to be at a standstill. This in turn is causing problems for ACHA repairs and re-letting. Iain confirmed that ACHA was working with the Bill Halliday (Argyll and Bute Council, Area and Private Sector officer) on some of the more difficult projects.

Iain reported that the new Home Argyll policy would coincide with the introduction of the on-line application form. ACHA were preparing to rollout press releases, posters and letters to applicants. He advised that the introduction was due to commence on 22nd April and would 'go live' on 1st July.

In regards Argyll Homes for All (AHFA), Iain confirmed that the end of the first year reports and comments received from users have been good. He commented that 9 tradesmen were currently working for ACHA in Mid Argyll & Kintyre.

Councillor Horn enquired if the new on-line application form would enable applicants to make preferred housing choices, especially in rural areas where there are presently no existing socially affordable housing. Iain undertook to relay this question to the Area Manager, who would respond directly to Councillor Horn.

Decision

The group noted Iain's update

1. That a request be made for Yvonne Litster to attend a future MAP meeting to provide a strategic overview of ACHA.
2. That ACHA would verify if the new on-line application form would have

provision for applicants own preferred choice of area.

6. SCOTTISH WATER

There was no update from Scottish Water.

Decision

The group requested that the contact details of the new Scottish Water representative be disseminated.

7. TRANSPORTATION ISSUES

A report was tabled from Stewart Clark, Roads Performance Manager detailing the Roads Capital Budget for the Mid Argyll area for 2014-2015.

Decision

The group agreed

1. To note the update.
2. That the Area Governance Officer would report the large pot hole on Union Street to Roads Department.

(Reference: Report by the Roads Performance Manager, dated 12 March 2014, tabled).

8. HEALTH/SOCIAL CARE ISSUES

There were no updates provided.

9. ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE

The group heard updates from both Roanna Clark, Argyll and Bute Young Scot Co-ordinator and Raymond Flanagan, Youth Development Worker in regards the processes currently in place for engagement with young people.

The Chair advised the group that the Short Life Working Group (SLWG) was currently working on these issues.

Discussion ensued and the group detailed the various procedures being implemented locally in encouraging more community involvement with local young people. Roanna advised of the local representation on the Scottish Youth Parliament and the forthcoming Referendum workshop which would be held on 17 March in Lochgilphead.

Roanna highlighted various initiatives which included:-

Local Youth forums
Homecoming Event
Leadership Courses – which were SVQ Level 2 accredited

The group gave further consideration to the most opportune ways to involve young people. These included:

Leaflets/posters to be distributed on school buses
Use of social media sites.

Both Roanna and Raymond indicated their willingness to work with and advise Community Councils in relation to the best ways to engage with young people in their area. The Community Council representatives welcomed this opportunity

The Chair thanked both Roanna and Raymond for their informative updates.

10. COMMUNITY SAFETY

Sergeant McGeachy provided an update on local issues to the group. These included:

Incidences of two drunk drivers being detained in custody due to the level of alcohol in their blood (over 105 Mg)

The arrest and indictment of an easter European Man on charges of theft of property (Two large outboard Engines)

He reported on the reduction in housebreaking incidents which he indicated may be related to the increased number of police patrols.

Sgt. McGeachy also noted that as of 1st April Restructuring and staffing changes within Police Scotland will see Chief Inspector Baillie take command of police both in OLI and in MAKI

Discussion continued and the new Police Scotland newsletter was commended.

It was confirmed that police stations public desks in Lochgilphead Campbeltown and Oban will remain open 24hours

It was also noted that Sgt. Mark Wilson is in charge of the Local Police twitter feed and regular announcements appear on this platform

11. COMMUNITY INITIATIVES

There were no new Community Initiatives

12. AMENITY ISSUES

Paul Martin advised the group that remedial work on the cemetery wall at Craignish had been completed. He continued that a recent clean on the front green at Lochgilphead had resulted in 60 tonnes of debris being collected.

Paul highlighted that Community Councils should make contact with him in regards any local Amenity issues.

13. LOCAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN 2013-2018

The Chair advised that the Local Economic Development Plan was still being amended.

Decision

The group agreed:

1. That this Agenda item would be continued to the next MAP meeting scheduled for 11 June.
2. That a request would be made for representation from Economic Development.

14. COMMUNITY PLANNING

The next MAKI Community Planning meeting is scheduled for:-

4 June, 2014 – 2.00p.m.
Islay High School, Bowmore, Islay.

15. DATE OF NEXT MAP MEETING

The next MAP meeting is scheduled for:-

11 June, 2014 – 10.00a.m.
Council Chambers, Kilmory

16. AOB

There was no other business.

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**MINUTES of MEETING of KINTYRE INITIATIVE WORKING GROUP held in the TOWN HALL,
CAMPBELTOWN
on FRIDAY, 25 APRIL 2014**

Present:

(Chair)

Councillor Rory Colville

Councillor Donald Kelly

Councillor John Semple

Councillor Sandy Taylor

Attending

Stephen Doogan

Argyll and Bute Council

Julian Green

Argyll and Bute Council

Stuart Green

Argyll and Bute Council

Brian Monrus

Tarbert & Skipness CC

Susan Paterson

KFCC, PFF

Jim Martin

Campbeltown CC

Jane Mayo

Campbeltown Community

Business Ltd

John Lamont

HIAL

Donald Melville

Business Gateway

David Roberts

HIE

Alan Reid MP

Danny Halliday

West Coast Motors

Graeme McQuaker

Jacobs

Lorna Figures

Jacobs

Jonny Moran

Transport Scotland

Sean Clemie

Transport Scotland

Douglas Jack

BEAR Scotland

Keith Murray

BEAR Scotland

Janet West

Argyll and the Isles Tourism

Co-operative

Ann Gallacher

Argyll & Bute Employability

Team

Margaret Wallace

Argyll Voluntary Action

Tom Harper

Police Scotland

Stuart Watson

Police Scotland

Archie McGuirk

Police Scotland

Ewen MacDonald

Explore Scotland

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were intimated by:-

Councillor Anne Horn
Councillor Robin Currie
Jamie McGrigor MSP
Michale Russell MSP
Pauline Houston
Duncan Clelland
Deirdre Henderson
Harvard Davis

Martin Gorringe
Darlene Russell

2. MINUTES

The Minute of the previous meeting held on 13 December 2013 was approved as a true record.

Councillor Kelly enquired on the status of the operation at Cross St, Campbeltown. The Chair stated that contractors had been appointed and negotiations were on-going with local businesses.

3. MATTERS ARISING

There were no Matters Arising.

4. LIAISON MEETING WITH TRANSPORT SCOTLAND - A83

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced the representatives from both Transport Scotland, BEAR and Jacobs who had kindly agreed to attend the KIWG meeting.

Jonny Moran, Network Manager North, Transport Scotland invited questions from the group and the following issues were put forward by members of the group :-

- 1)The need for immediate remedial action on the A83 in respect of the unevenness of the edges and severe dipping at the verges;
- 2) the narrowness of the road and need for effective drainage to endeavour to eliminate the recurring potholes;
- 3) Blind spots due to lack of shrub cutting;
- 4) Large swathes of the A83 towards Campbeltown were adjacent to farming land and the implication of both heavy farming machinery using the road and the movement of farm animals on various stretches was a vital consideration; and
- 5)Speed limit issues on stretches of the road especially near Glenbarr and Bellachantuy; and
- 6) Pinch points at Erines; and
- 7) The need for pedestrian crossings at Tarbert and Ardrishaig;
- 8)Winter Maintenance Programme; and
- 9) Matrix signage to advise Kintyre drivers of road closures ahead on the A83

Mr Moran highlighted that following on from the KIWG meeting; there would be a further meeting at Kilmory with officers from Argyll and Bute council to give further discussion and consideration to speed limit issues.

He acknowledged the need for improvements, but advised that this would probably entail a significant period to instigate changes if they were to be done properly. He outlined the regular meeting cycle with Argyll and Bute council officers and highlighted the Communication strategy which was in place to advise local communities. Mr Moran stated that today's meeting was a 'starting point' for this process to begin. He affirmed that the KIWG, other groups and local Community Councils would be kept informed of

updates.

In addition, he advised that the Transport Scotland website routinely detailed information on local road works being progressed.

Discussion followed on the need to consult with both the local communities and local services (including the Ambulance Service) who would be affected by road closures, etc. The group advocated that this notification be raised prior to the commencement of the works programme. Further consideration was requested in regards local Public Processions, pavements and street lights.

Mr Moran indicated that the procedure for Processions and road closures was unlikely to change significantly for applicants as the council and Transport Scotland would work together to make the process transparent to users

Action It was agreed that Transport Scotland would liaise with Argyll and Bute Council in regards the existing procedure to process applications for Processions.

In regards the Winter Maintenance Programme, Mr Jack advised that it was intended that there would be a depot in the Kintyre area and that discussions were still on-going with Argyll and Bute Council on this issue, but it had not yet been confirmed.

Sean Clemie reported that recent surveys had been undertaken to determine the standard of the road and the remedial action which would be necessary.

Rest and Be Thankful

Mr Moran outlined to the group the continuing works at the Rest and Be Thankful. He drew attention to the recent four road closure incidents and gave the background detail to these. He was aware of local concerns that the Relief Road had not been operational through the hours of darkness and advised on the agreed timing with the land owner to safely remove the farm animals. In addition, on 1 occasion visibility had also been an issue and the safety of the Geo-engineers had been paramount.

He reported on the netting work being undertaken at the site. The group indicated that it was their perception that the length time it was taking to erect the netting at the site was excessive, particularly for an apparently unproven solution. and Mr Murray informed the group that their was a planned exercise to demonstrate the effectiveness, and that nets had actually worked in the previous incidents. The group asked for clarification as to whether an assessment had been undertaken to determine 'danger points' in the area and Mr Moran affirmed that this had been carried out and that reports had been provided to the Scottish Minister. He continued that geotechnical works were continuing and extra patrols were implemented during periods of wet weather.

Mr Moran advised the group that work programmes for 2014/2015 had

been agreed and these were detailed on the Transport Scotland website. Both 1 year and 3 years programmes had been devised.

Graeme McQuaker, Jacobs Consultancy reported on a meeting in Ardrishaig Village Hall with the local community to address issues including pedestrian crossing and local speeding issues. He advised that the perception from this meeting was that speed was the pivotal issue in the Ardrishaig area.

The Chair thanked both Transport Scotland, BEAR and Jacobs Consultants for their attendance at the meeting and invited attendees to note the maps provided, outlining where remedial roads works were needed.

5. MACMILLAN CANCER INFORMATION UPDATE

Deirdre Henderson, Macmillan Cancer had sent her apology and the Chair requested that the presentation come to the June 2014.

(a) PARTNER UPDATES - FOR NOTING

EDAP

The Chair highlighted the need for the KIWG to interact and provide input to the Local Economic Development Action Plan 2013-2018.

The Picture House

Jane Mayo advised of a public meeting which was scheduled for 28 April and would enable input and feedback on the new operation.

Argyll Voluntary Action

Margaret Wallace informed the group of training in situ – Volunteer Management Training and would provide a fuller update to the KIWG at the June meeting.

HIAL

John Lamont provided the latest statistics to the group and confirmed that the annual exercise would be held in May. The Sunday service would commence between 15 June and 28 September.

Shoppers Aide

Susan Paterson informed the group of the success of a recent funding application to the National Lottery. This would enable the group to recruit more staff and purchase new vehicles.

Argyll and the Isles Tourism Co-operative Ltd

Janet West highlighted the various projects that she was involved in

to promote Argyll tourism to wider groups.

Explore Campbeltown

Ewen MacDonald commented that Explore Campbeltown were doing extremely well and there were now 220 businesses involved.

Decision

The group agreed to note the updates provided

6. FERRY SUB-GROUP

The Chair advised that the Ferry Sub-Group were meeting after the KIWG meeting at 1.00p.m.

Councillor Semple tabled a report which detailed the aims and objectives of the forthcoming Monitoring and Evaluation process of the Campbeltown – Ardrossan Pilot Ferry Service.

7. ALIGNMENT WITH MAKI CPP - TERMS OF REFERENCE AND NAME

The Chair requested that the group give consideration to the Terms of Reference report and that any comments be made to the Area Governance Officer.

He stated that if no comments were forthcoming, then the report would be agreed at the next KIWG meeting.

8. MAKI COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

The Chair advised that the next meeting of the Community Planning Group was scheduled for:-

4 June 2014 on Islay.

9. A.O.B.

There was no other business and the Chair thanked the group for the attendance and updates.

ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL**Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands
Community Planning Group
June 2014****CUSTOMER SERVICES**

Mid Argyll Partnership Highlight/Exception report to Area Community Planning Group

1. SUMMARY

1.1 The purpose of this Paper is to update the Area Community Planning group regarding the main pieces of work undertaken by the Mid Argyll Partnership in the last reporting period.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Area Community Planning Group:

- 2.1 Note that the Mid Argyll Partnership is a strategic partner of the Area Community Planning group;
- 2.2 Note the report provided below (If further detail is desired the full minutes are published on the Council website);
- 2.3 Note that the group is considering its current remit and how it aligns with the Single Outcome Agreement, and;
- 2.4 Consider whether there are any specific tasks or issues which it wishes the Mid Argyll Partnership to undertake or review.

3. DETAIL

- 3.1 The Mid Argyll Partnership is a partnership focusing on business and community development issues as well as community issues and undertakes various pieces of work in this arena. Members report progress back to the Area Community Planning Group.
- 3.2 The Partnership has historically been a very useful representative voice for the vulnerable in our communities with strong representation coming from Community Councils. In order to improve the outcomes from the group in dealing with the broader community planning remit under the Single Outcome Agreement, it is hoped to expand membership of the group both to representatives of the business community as well as the third sector. The original terms of reference are being used as a basis for this process.

4. IMPLICATIONS

5.1	Policy	Adoption of the proposal will assist in delivery and reporting of aspects of the SOA and the Community Plan
5.2	Financial	None,
5.3	Legal	None
5.4	HR	None
5.5	Equalities	None.
5.6	Risk	None
5.7	Customer Service	None

For further information, please contact Stephen Doogan, Area Governance Officer
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MAP Highlight - Exception Report June 2014

SOA Theme	Topic	Issue and Actions	Comment	Outcomes/ Indicators
The economy is diverse and thriving	CCs and Planning	The April meeting was followed by a successful seminar on Planning enforcement which was very well received.		
Children and young people have the best possible start.	Ardrishaig, Youth Services	The Ardrishaig wind farm trust have allocated some monies to young applicants, there continue to be issues re the renovation of the KGV pitch. Youth services spoke to the engagement processes in place for engaging with young people there is also a short life working group considering these issues.	There is a referendum workshop on the 17th March in Lochgilphead., Youth services also run leadership courses as SVQ level. Roanna and Raymond are happy to advise CCs re youth engagement .	
We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth.	Amenity Services CARS	A presentation was given outlining the challenges facing the service and how it can be addressed. ACHA are building 8 Units at Oakfield and 12 at Inverary. A project officer has been appointed and joint working between ACHA and PO is ongoing.	It is hoped that the Community empowerment legislation will assist in providing a framework for initiatives going forward in the future. Argyll Homes for All is also on Track.	
People live in safer and stronger communities.	TOR Community Development	The group continue to consider their terms of reference and membership to improve inclusivity. The group heard an update from the Community	The Group members took the TOR back to their respective CCs for further discussion. These priorities are reflected in the SOA showing that it is on track.	

	<p>Event</p> <p>development Officer re community priorities as chosen by the communities at a number of events.</p> <p>Area updates</p> <p>A round of updates was received; The new CCs are now in place and active.</p> <p>Community Safety</p> <p>CSF exception report was provided.</p> <p>Vulnerable people</p> <p>A presentation was given on the work of CALA re: recovery from alcohol misuse.</p>		<p>Minard, issue with Scottish water piping ongoing.</p>	
<p>We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth.</p>	<p>Community Planning</p> <p>Amenity Services Presentation. The Service Manager gave a presentation showing the challenges facing the service both in terms of cost and workload; He explained that a new paradigm was needed where the council made agreements with communities about which community assets to preserve and how it should be done.</p> <p>CC Insurance</p> <p>Several Community Councils were concerned about the extent of their potential liability when compared with the extent of their insurance cover. This was discussed at length.</p> <p>CPP events</p> <p>There have been a number of CPP events in the last reporting period with 600 attendees.</p>		<p>This is an issue which will continue for the foreseeable future, and takes seriously the idea of community empowerment without minimising the risks and challenges.</p> <p>The outcome was that the consensus was that the cover was better than had been thought and that issues could always be addressed if a question was asked. Policy documents were circulated following the meeting .</p> <p>These events were very useful providing a commonality of thought with against which the CPP partners can measure themselves.</p>	

ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL**Mid-Argyll Kintyre and the Islands****CUSTOMER SERVICES****Community Planning Group****June 2014**

Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG) highlight exception report to Area Community Planning Group

1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this Paper is to update the Area Community Planning group (ACPG) regarding the main pieces of work undertaken by the Kintyre Initiative Working Group (KIWG) in the last two reporting periods.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Area Community Safety Group:-

- 2.1 Note the exception report provided below (If further detail is desired the full minutes are published on the Council website);
- 2.2 Note that the group is reviewing its remit to ensure that it closely aligns with the Single Outcome Agreement; (SOA);
- 2.3 Consider whether there are any specific tasks or issues which it wishes the Kintyre Initiative Working Group to undertake or review;
- 2.4 Note that the meeting on 14th February was given over as a Community Planning event (which was very successful despite bad weather), and;
- 2.5 Note that the most recent meeting on 25th April was primarily dedicated to covering issues relating to the Trunking of the A83 and the immanent transfer of responsibility from the Council to Transport Scotland and BEAR.

3. DETAIL

- 3.1 The Kintyre Initiative Working Group is a strategic partner of the Area Community Planning Group, focusing mainly on business renewal, development and community initiatives and opportunities.
- 3.2 The group wish their work to closely follow the outcomes of the Single Outcome Agreement and so are revisiting their terms of reference and membership, with a view to expanding their membership to include more

social and community representation , if there are no further proposals, the draft remit will be adopted at the next meeting.

3.3 The main activities undertaken by the group in the reporting period are detailed in the table below.

4. IMPLICATIONS

5.1	Policy	Review of terms of reference and membership will assist in delivery and reporting of aspects of the SOA and the Community Plan
5.2	Financial	None,
5.3	Legal	None
5.4	HR	None.
5.5	Equalities	None
5.6	Risk	None
5.7	Customer Service	None

For further information, please contact Stephen Doogan, Area Governance Officer tel 01546 604342

Kintyre Initiative Working Group Exception Report –June 2014

SOA Theme	Topic	Issue and Actions	Comment	Outcomes/ Indicators
<p>We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth.</p>	Governance	<p>The group is reviewing its terms of reference to align itself more closely with the Single Outcome agreement.</p>	<p>The draft TOR will be adopted at the next meeting if there are not further amendments suggested.</p>	
	Irish links	<p>The group are keen to explore informal links.</p>	<p>There needs to be a purpose to any strategic linking, otherwise there is no added value for the people of Kintyre.</p>	
	Transport	<p>Transport Scotland and BEAR both attended the meeting on the 25th April.</p>	<p>A list of questions was supplied prior to the meeting, and most were answered directly by BEAR and Transport Scotland Representatives.</p>	
	Ferry	<p>There is now a ferry subgroup chaired by Cllr Semple.</p>	<p>This group met immediately following KIWG.</p>	
	Roads	<p>Issues covered included Tayinloan parking, the work of the SSE at Crossaig and the recent landslide at the rest and be thankful. Speed limit issues, Blind spots, and matrix signage It was however noted that change will not be immediate, but progressive.</p> <p>It was also noted that clarification of the process to be followed for issues such as Public procession or road closures, and it was proposed that as far as possible this process should be transparent to the public, with Transport Scotland and</p>	<p>A number of roads issues were discussed, Transport Scotland have agreed a protocol with the group whereby questions can be asked via the head of the Roads Service, but if there is still any doubt or dubiety, transport Scotland can be approached directly by the Clerk or the Chair.</p>	

	Town Hall	<p>BEAR liaising directly with the Police and the Council .</p> <p>The town hall will be undergoing renovations shortly and this may have an impact on the neighbouring businesses.</p>	The groups heard about the mitigating measures which are being put in place and this will be monitored during the renovations.	
<p>Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all.</p> <p>Children and young people have the best possible start.</p> <p>We have infrastructure that supports sustainable growth.</p>	<p>AVA</p> <p>MAP event</p>	<p>Is providing some Management training on a voluntary Basis in the town and will feed back at the June meeting.</p> <p>A synopsis report was circulated re the successful MAP training events which have been run.</p>	This is available online with the meeting papers.	
<p>The economy is diverse and thriving</p>	<p>CHORD</p> <p>Business</p> <p>Machrihanish Community Facility</p> <p>HIE</p>	<p>£1m Big lottery funding has been allocated this should be finalised shortly.</p> <p>KIWG has been invited to contribute to the Local Economic Development Plan 2013-2018.</p> <p>Picture House is having a public meeting and will report back .</p> <p>MACC will be implementing a new marketing strategy this year.</p> <p>Regular updates now to come to the group from HIE.</p>		

People live active, healthier and independent lives.	Shoppers Aid	Susan Patterson advised of the successful bid to the National Lottery for Funding to assist people who would otherwise be isolated to continue to live and shop independently.		
People live in safer and stronger communities.	Community Safety AITC	The Community safety forum continues its work and has submitted an exception report Argyll and the Isles Tourism Cooperative was present at the meeting and is looking for way to develop the partnership. Explore Campbeltown will work with AITC.		

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL

**Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay
Community Planning Group**

COMMUNITY SERVICES: EDUCATION

4th June 2014

EDUCATION STANDARDS AND QUALITY REPORT

1.0 SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report is to update the Community Planning Group on the progress being made within Education in Argyll and Bute. Details are based on the Standards and Quality Report for 2012/13. Full report can be viewed on Argyll & Bute Council website <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/education-and-learning/education-performance-and-standards>

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Community Planning Group note the progress made in relation to Education within Argyll and Bute.

3.0 DETAIL

- 3.1 The Education Service reports on it's quality and standards on an annual basis. The report appended to this document details progress made across the service in relation to the actions outlined in the Education Action Plan for 2012/13.

4.0 CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The next Standards & Quality Report will be due Spring 2015 reporting on progress in session 2013/14.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

- 5.1 Policy – N/A
- 5.2 Financial – N/A
- 5.3 Legal – N/A
- 5.4 HR – N/A
- 5.5 Equalities – N/A
- 5.6 Risk – N/A
- 5.7 Customer Service – N/A

Executive Director of Community Services

30 April 2014

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Healthy Weight in Argyll & Bute

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The ACPG is asked to:

- Note the partnership working activity and the contents of this paper in relation to healthy weight
- Consider where improvements can be made in key partnership activity regarding healthy weight
- Consider their role in relation to the food and health agenda in Argyll & Bute
- Consider their role in relation to the physical activity agenda in Argyll & Bute
- Endorse & support co-production of services to promote healthy weight

1 Background and Summary

Overweight and obesity have been linked to increased risks in adults of Type 2 diabetes, cardiovascular diseases and other long term conditions such as hypertension and strokes and some cancers such as breast and colon cancer.

Shona Robison MSP said this in March 2013 “the challenge of obesity and physical inactivity are major public health issues for Scotland.....if obesity levels continue to rise the cost to the Scottish economy will be 3billion”

This rise in cost was noted by Nicola Sturgeon in 2010 “a cost so large that it will directly impact on our nation’s ability to achieve sustainable economic growth. It is shocking to realise that all of this is preventable and with small steps people can begin to control their weight”

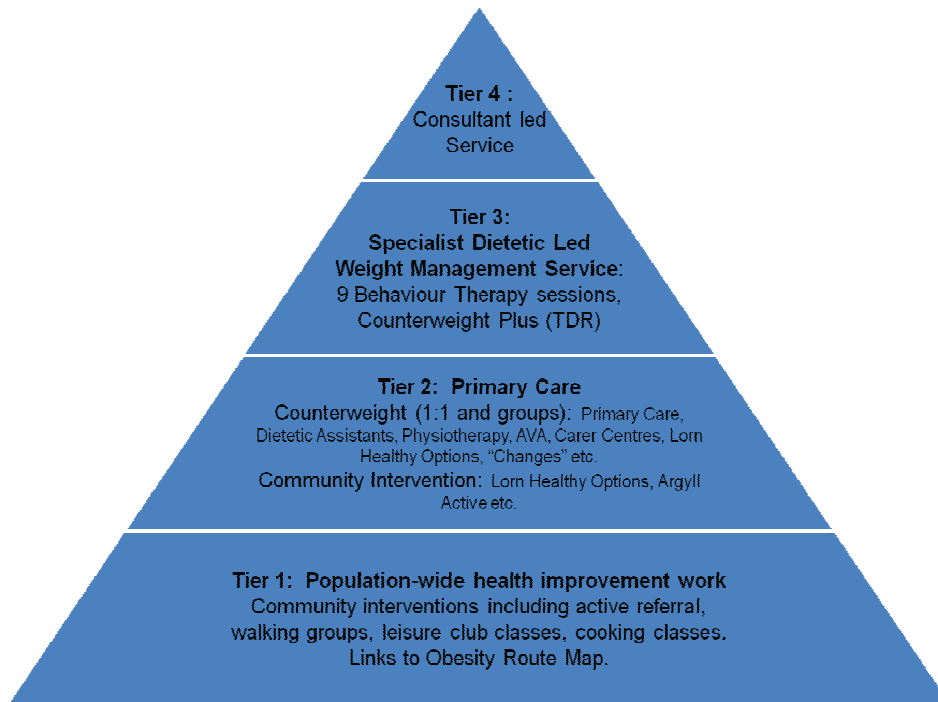
Dr Andrew Fraser, NHS Health Scotland also said in March 2013 that “Action is essential to reverse the rising trend in weight gain and prevent growing levels of obesity related ill health. Obesity is a direct cause of a range of life limiting and life reducing illnesses including a range of cancers, heart disease and diabetes. It means people cannot work and is also a cause of very significant financial cost to a resource limited NHS”

2 The Obesity challenge for NHS Highland

The obesity problem and the need for intervention, is highlighted in The Obesity Route Map, a publication produced by the Scottish Government (2010). The total cost of obesity to Scottish society in 2007/8 “was in excess of £457 million and it is likely that this is an underestimate”.

The Scottish Government, (2010) states that “Obesity poses a real risk to people’s health & Health Boards have been encouraged to develop explicit care pathways offering a range of weight management programmes. In NHS Highland, the weight management pathway is based on a tiered approach (Diagram 1) and reflects the outcome of local, regional and national discussions and an agreed model of service provision.

Diagram 1 - A&B CHP, NHSH Weight Management 4 Tier Structure



From April 2013 A & B CHP dietetics was granted permission to fund a post to co-ordinate weight management. Healthy weight money provided by the government via the public health budget has also supported resources for weight management by fostering a good working partnership between dietetics and public health. This has helped to promote the service working across Argyll & Bute and is moving forwards to begin to meet local challenges of obesity as set out by the Scottish Government including:

- Support to public health to deliver tier 1 preventions
- 31 practitioners trained in Counterweight across A & B, including 3rd sector volunteers, practice nurses and health care assistants, Lorn Healthy options staff (LOHO)
- Development of electronic Health Action Planning tool with the UHI

3 Contribution to the SOA and local strategy

A & B Health & Well Being Partnership's Joint Health Improvement Plan delivers on strategic priorities for health improvement via 7 local Health & Well Being networks. The Healthy weight outcome is informed by national and local policy as above and locally agreed measures in the SOA:

As can be seen from the statistics on overweight and obesity, further coordinated action is required to develop a varied approach to tackling obesity. Without targeted intervention a major and irreversible time bomb will be ticking away at our children's and our nation's health. There is no silver bullet to encourage healthy weight; instead multiple coordinated actions are required to tackle a multifactorial problem. As well as individuals themselves, we all have a role to play to lower the rate of obesity in the UK.

It is important that we encourage and help people to:

- Make healthier lifestyle choices
- Eat and drink more healthily
- Be more active
- Reduce sedentary behaviour

To do this we need to secure high-level commitment to long-term, integrated action on obesity, as part of our joint health and wellbeing strategy. At this strategic level, the impetus for a community-wide approach begins with local elected members alongside senior managers from the NHS, the local authority and representatives from the Third Sector. Argyll & Bute CHP Public Health directorate already provide some investment and leadership via the Health & Well Being partnership and the Food and Healthy Weight working group.

4 Food & Healthy Weight Activities

Argyll & Bute Food & Healthy Weight working group

This group acts as the Food & Health sub group to the Health & Well Being partnership with representatives from statutory organisations and the Third sector. It aims to promote the benefits of healthy eating, sustainability and food safety, increase the procurement and provision of safe, nutritious and sustainable food for A & B and raise the profile of Food and Health issues within respective members' organisations and partners.

Rock Up in Red - Keep Well with Local Produce Roadshow (March 13)

In response to food and health reports in the national media (January 2013), the Argyll & Bute Food and Health Working Group saw an opportunity to raise awareness of cooking with local food. Tarbert & Skipness Community Trust and NHS Highland, teamed up to provide a series of events aimed at promoting locally grown food and associated health benefits. Almost 1,500 individuals in the areas of Oban, Campbeltown, Islay, Tarbert, Dunoon and Rothesay attended the roadshow.¹

The Barrowband

The Barrowband specialises in educational workshops and performance about the environment and health, celebrating nature and its products through, music, art & performance and influence people's health in a positive way. Accompanying the Keep Well roadshow it was identified that in order to fully capitalise on the success, a forward plan should be developed to further engage with young people and the curriculum with support from the Barrowband, recognising the importance of early intervention to inform health choices for life. (See next steps)

Consulting Chefs

As part of scoping activity in the first year of the Weight Management co-ordinator post public health staff and the WMC asked people 'How can we help you EAT BETTER' during the Keep Well with Local Produce roadshow and at another 5 community events. An Argyll based chef demonstrated healthy cooking options on a budget and public health staff asked the question "How can we help you EAT BETTER?" answers included:

- Greater support and access to land for allotments from the council & NHS
- Encourage people to grow their own
- Promote local produce
- Run community cooking classes
- Work with co-op, change way food is marketed
- Tax sugar
- Promote green gym activities

¹ <http://healthyargyllandbute.co.uk/keep-well-with-local-produce/>

Soil Association's Bronze Food for Life Catering Mark

Argyll and Bute Council's primary school meals staff have been recognised with a prestigious national award which aims to increase access to fresh and healthy food. The local authority's school catering service has been awarded the Soil Association's Bronze Food for Life Catering Mark. This certification shows that the council's school meals teams are committed to a set of key principles. These include using environmentally sustainable and ethical food; preparing meals using unprocessed ingredients without additives and trans fats; making it easier to eat healthy meals, and supporting local producers.²

Physical Activity Consultation

A scoping consultation exercise with key partners in relation to physical activity across Argyll & Bute has recently been completed on behalf of the Health & Well Being partnership. The aim of the consultation exercise was to clarify the range of initiatives which support physical activity locally in addition to scoping the views of stakeholders with respect to issues pertaining to physical activity.

Innovative Practice

In Argyll & Bute, an innovative programme called "Joint Activity" has been delivered during 2013/14. Funded by RCOP, but delivered by Arthritis Care Scotland (ACS).

Apart from these modules there is a programme of physical activity that is still being developed, but which started with Tai chi for Arthritis (suitable for people with mobility problems), chair-based yoga and Boccia (a seated sport, a bit like bowls).

LOHO – Lorn & Oban Healthy Options

Healthy Options is a community organisation & social enterprise, formed from collaboration between local NHS health professionals and community activists. During first two years a total of 265 people started on a Healthy Options programme results show joining HO has made a positive impact on clients' daily life, for some joining HO has been nothing short of 'life-changing. There is clear evidence that communities have a major role in enabling the people of Scotland to 'live longer, healthier lives' Healthy Options is the embodiment of this thinking and along with their evaluation results is a living, working model which proves this.³

Childsmile

Childsmile is a national programme designed to improve the oral health of children in Scotland and reduce inequalities both in dental health and access to dental services. As one of the key oral health messages is to reduce the amount but more importantly the frequency of food and drink containing sugar, this programme will impact on the overall health and wellbeing of our communities.

Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust –ACT

This new initiative is a partnership between Argyll and Bute Council, the Forestry Commission, NHS Highland and Scottish Natural Heritage and will be active in a variety of projects running across the area. ACT will focus on initiatives which improve opportunities in the access, biodiversity, health and wellbeing, economic growth, heritage and environmental tourism sectors.⁴

² www.soilassociation.org

³ <http://www.lornhealthyoptions.co.uk/>

⁴ www.act-now.org.uk

Next Steps

Food for thought Funding

A submission has been prepared for Scottish Government Food For Thought Funding to support a Campbeltown Cluster Project: involving Dalintober and Castlehill Primaries, working with Campbeltown Grammar School. The outcome of the funding bid is anticipated in June.

Inspiring Volunteers

Third Sector Partners Inspiralba, Bridgend Community Garden and Kintyre Environmental Group have secured funding for Inspiring Environmental Volunteers. This project recognises the therapeutic benefits of engaging with horticulture / the garden environment and also builds on the experience of community gardens in supporting people to live healthier lives - through provision of active volunteer opportunities, developing confidence and self-esteem and promotion / access to healthy local produce.

Ongoing work:

- Continue collaboration with the Barrowband, develop more formal input to A & B schools, creating pilot project using enterprising approach to cover costs and enable school PTA's / Parent Councils to generate income for workshops and resources.
- Further analysis of results of consulting chefs and develop further work with Health & Wellbeing networks to implement further outreach activities.
- Further analysis of Physical activity consultation by short life working group and develop future action plan.

The area community planning groups can help ensure a joined-up approach by fully involving other statutory agencies and council departments, such as planning, transport, education and leisure to identify a CPP role in addressing obesity and promoting healthy weight and healthy lifestyles, involving representatives from the range of agencies and departments to identify good practice and a shared strategy. The groups could consider appointing people within these areas to champion Healthy Weight / Health and Wellbeing and be represented on relevant forums such as the Food & Health Working group or the Health & Well Being partnership.

Members could encourage and support ongoing work by key stakeholders on Healthy Weight, promoting a positive work environment, enabling staff to participate in health promoting activities, and working towards the Healthy Working Lives award. Councils and the NHS are one of the largest employers in A & B – both can set a good example by making moves such as removing vending machines that offer unhealthy foods from their own buildings and running healthy lifestyle activities like organised walks at lunchtime.

Argyll & Bute Food and Health working Group

May 14

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ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL**MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE
ISLANDS AREA COMMUNITY
PLANNING GROUP****CUSTOMER SERVICES****June 2014**

**MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM
– HIGHLIGHT AND EXCEPTIONS REPORT**

1. SUMMARY

This report updates the Area Community Planning Group (ACPG) about the items discussed at the most recent meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Safety Forum (MAKI CSF) held on 6 May 2014 in Housing Meeting Room Kilmory with VC to the Burnett Building, Islay Service Point and Jeannie Deans Centre.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 That the Community Planning Group note the work undertaken and consider whether there are any items of business which the Group may wish the MAKI CSF to progress on their behalf and;
- 2.2 Note that the Community Safety Forum, with the other area groups, is continuing to consider the future direction of community safety provision and how best to support it.

3. DETAIL

- 3.1 The MAKI CSF met on 6th May when representatives of Police Scotland, Scottish Fire and Rescue, the Council, NHS and the local community were in attendance.
- 3.2 The highlight/exception report of this group is attached in the table below. This is not an exhaustive listing of the work of the Group. The full agenda and minutes can be located on the Council's website via this link
<http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/moderngov/ieListMeetings.aspx?CId=399&Year=0>

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1 The attached Appendix details the main issues which were considered and discussed at the meeting on 6th May 2014.

5. IMPLICATIONS

Policy -	Accords with the SOA and Community Plan
Financial –	None
Legal -	None
HR -	None
Equalities -	None
Risk -	None
Customer	None
Service -	

Executive Director of Customer Services

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Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Safety Forum Exception Report

Theme	Community Safety Outcome'	Issue and Actions	Comment	Outcomes/ Indicators
<p>Personal and Home Safety <i>Considers the safety of the individual in areas such as accident prevention, online safety, fire safety, home security, bogus and scam callers</i></p>	<p>No Cold Calling</p> <p>Chimney Fires/Log Burners</p> <p>KCPP</p>	<p>Trading standards have located some funding for the proposed leaflets and these have now been distributed.</p> <p>SFR have distributed leaflets re the potential dangers of Chimney fires. Env. Health have noticed a number of faulty installations which only become apparent when a fault develops.</p> <p>The Panel are short on Funds for running a print run of anti-drink driving beer mats , and will submit an application to the Forum, but there may also be some funds available from other sources.</p>	<p>Home fire safety visits continue to be proactively promoted.</p>	
<p>Travel Safety <i>Includes issues that and individuals may encounter such as pedestrian safety, road traffic</i></p>	<p>A 83</p>	<p>It was noted that the A 83 road through Campbeltown is to be trunked, .and that the recent KIWG meeting had been almost entirely given over to this issue.</p>	<p>Minute available from council website.</p>	

	“Choose Life”	The forum heard a highly affective presentation on tackling suicide awareness from Tracy Preece “Choose Life” coordinator”	This had a significant effect on all participants with the statistics being disturbing 762 confirmed suicides in Scotland in 2012 and 174 road deaths in the same period	
Environment Safety <i>Environment safety concerns the aesthetics of communities and neighbourhood and includes vandalism and criminal damage, graffiti, fly tipping, littering, dog fouling and secondary fires</i>	Dog Fouling Parking	This continues to be an issue, but it is hoped that the addition of the six new traffic wardens in Argyll will mean more eyes and more irresponsible owners being fined. Parking is being decriminalised and 6 wardens have been employed . These will work with the existing Amenity Services staff and tickets will begin to be issued in June.		Police and EH Stats
Public Space Safety <i>This deals with people’s safety in their communities and public perception of safety including anti social</i>	Outdoor Fires/Grass Fires	This continues to be a concern. SFR are again be running a summer strategy targeting camping and caravan sites on the subject of open fires and gas safety.		Reduced instances of grass fires – SFR stats.

<i>behaviour, public disorder and violence.</i>	Kayaking	The Argyll Kayak Trail officially opens in June		
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Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership**Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area
Community Planning Group****4 June 2014**

Community Planning Group Area Forum Events

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report is to inform the area Community Planning Group on the data gathered at the Area Forum events as part of the engagement on the Single Outcome Agreement 2013-23.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The area Community Planning Group considers how best to utilise the information gathered at the events to ensure feedback is used by partners to inform future planning and activities of the group, including the area Economic Development Action Plan (EDAP).
- 2.2 The area Community Planning Group considers appropriate actions, under each outcome heading, to be taken forward by partners at area level.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The Area Community Planning Group agreed at its meeting in May to consider a full report on the Area Forum events, which were consulting with communities on the SOA 2013-2023.
- 3.2 It was agreed that the results from the events will feed into the development of the SOA Delivery Plans and a forthcoming Argyll & Bute Population Summit.

4. DETAIL

- 4.1 A total of 14 events were held, including five in MAKI: Workshops in Islay, Campbeltown and Tarbert, and a Question Time event in Tarbert with video-conferencing from Islay, and a focus group in Colonsay. In addition, a youth event was held to gather views of young people across Argyll and Bute.
- 4.2 A large amount of information was gathered and analysed. A detailed report was produced for and presented to the CPP Management Committee meeting on 25 April 2014. The area CPG requested a more localised report for its June meeting, and this is attached. Within this report are issues raised in MAKI, alongside potential solutions, which were put forward by participants at workshop events.

- 4.3** Information from the online survey is not included in this area report, but some of the data from this is included in the full report covering all the engagements methods across Argyll and Bute. <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/good-place-live-work-and-play>

5. CONCLUSION

- 5.1** The information gathered from this extensive consultation exercise should be used to inform future delivery of services by partners in the area, and to help alleviate issues of population decline.

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Argyll and Bute: A good place to live, work and play?

**Local report on the Single Outcome Agreement
consultation within Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area**

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SUMMARY

This is a report on the recent consultation exercise by the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) in Argyll and Bute designed to identify priorities at local level and inform the Delivery Plans of the ten-year Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) 2013-23. This exercise was undertaken across Argyll and Bute, however, the focus of this report is on findings within the Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands (MAKI) area.

The Argyll and Bute wide report is available online¹

Recent census data demonstrated that the population of Argyll and Bute had declined by 3.4%. Population change within MAKI is -3.6% with significant local variation. It is recognised that for Argyll and Bute to become more prosperous tackling this population decline and cultivating an environment where the economy can thrive are of the highest importance. Attentive to these themes the CPP has agreed the overarching outcome for the SOA: 'Argyll and Bute's economic success is built on a growing population'.

The consultation was entitled: **Argyll and Bute - A Good Place to Live, Work and Play?** and comprised an online survey and 15 events across Argyll and Bute with five held in the MAKI area.

The findings in MAKI highlighted local concerns with employment, housing, land ownership issues, transport links, more support for small business, and assistance in transforming primary resources, encouraging growth in high income tourism and developing improved internet connections. With such a geographically diverse area there were other more localised issues, for example: decline in use of Lochgilphead town centre; lack of support and extra care facilities in Tarbert; demand for second homes on Islay driving increases in house prices with ensuing local resident affordability issues; and the desire for an all year round reliable ferry service from Campbeltown to Ardrossan and northern Ireland.

Suggestions include placing a target on desired population within MAKI (and the wider Argyll and Bute) with parallel work on planning for population growth localities and the alignment of services to support this growth, a focus on finding a long term solution to the issues of the A83 and connectivity more generally, enhancing support to small and or emerging businesses and raising the rate of superfast broadband roll out across MAKI.

The data from this and the full Argyll and Bute wide report will feed into the strategic Population Summit to be held later this year, to consider ways of addressing the population decline in Argyll and Bute.

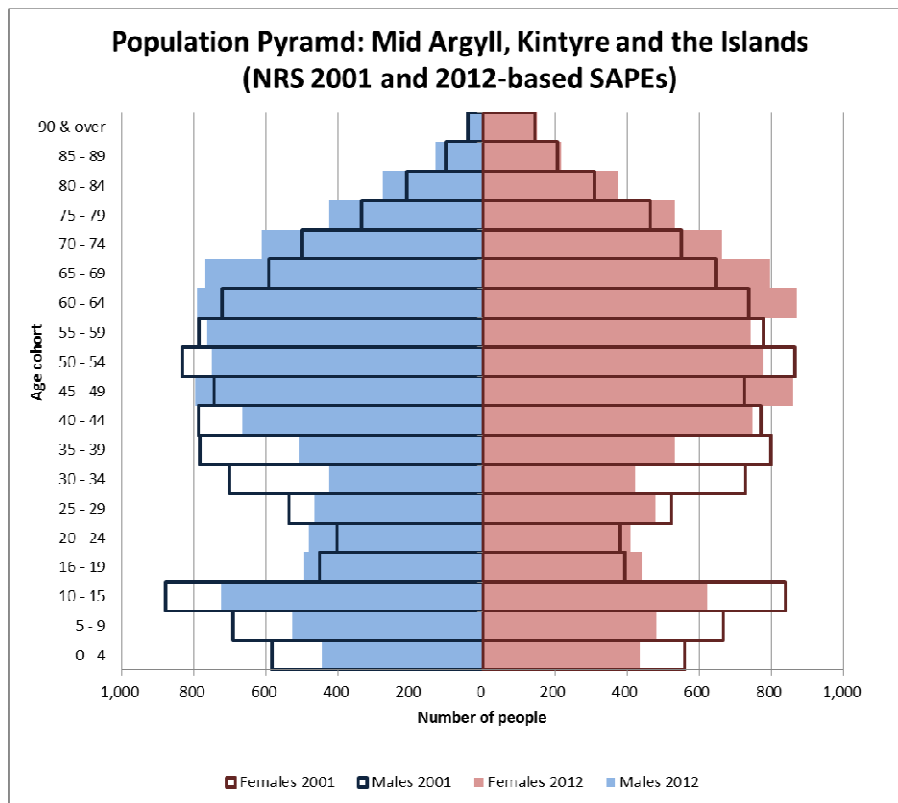
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BACKGROUND

In August 2012 Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership agreed to annual consultations on the Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) to ensure communities had a say in how the Partnership can achieve its outcomes.

The figures from the census of 2011 were published and highlighted Argyll and Bute as the highest area in terms of percentage population decline, and this was seen as the greatest challenge for all community planning partners. The population changes in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands are as follows:

Population changes by age and gender



Population changes in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands

Age cohort	Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Number of people		Percentage change 2001 to 2012	Proportion of age cohort within total population (%)	
	2001	2012		2001	2012
0-15	4,218	3,230	-23.4	19.4	15.6
16-24	1,630	1,831	12.3	7.5	8.9
25-44	5,632	4,250	-24.5	25.9	20.6
45-64	6,189	6,349	2.6	28.4	30.7
65-74	2,290	2,841	24.1	10.5	13.8
75+	1,814	2,147	18.4	8.3	10.4
Total population	21,773	20,648	-5.2	100.0	100.0

In August 2013, the first stage of Argyll and Bute's Single Outcome Agreement was approved by the Scottish Government. This included:

Principal outcome:

“Argyll and Bute's economy is based on a growing population”

To achieve the principal outcome a set of supporting long-term outcomes were agreed:

- 1. The economy is diverse and thriving**
- 2. We have an infrastructure that supports sustainable growth**
- 3. Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all**
- 4. Children and young people have the best possible start**
- 5. People live active, healthier and independent lives**
- 6. People live in safer and stronger communities**

In order to achieve these outcomes, a delivery plan has been developed for each of the six outcomes.

The community consultation was designed to enable local communities to inform the content of delivery plans for each of these outcomes in addition to contributing to setting and achieving localised outcomes.

A parallel online survey was undertaken with over 500 responses across Argyll and Bute, including 186 from the MAKI area. In addition, a Youth Consultation was undertaken on 23rd and 24th of November 2013 by Argyll and Bute Youth Forum, attended by 50 young people, including 19 from MAKI. Full details of these findings can be found in the main Argyll and Bute report².

Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership is grateful to Education Scotland for its support in part-funding this consultation process, which meets the strategic guidance on Community Learning and Development.

² <http://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/good-place-live-work-and-play>

WORKSHOP FINDINGS

Introduction

Many of the key Argyll & Bute wide issues were reflected in Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands.

Noteworthy comments include a desire for the SOA to consider a specific target population; to implement programmes to encourage growth; and to consider the impact this may have in planning service provision. For example, certain areas could be targeted for growth with local initiatives designed to encourage inbound migration such as a multi-layered approach to housing, targeted small business support and developing appropriate infrastructure. It was noted at some workshops that other rural areas in Scotland were experiencing growth (for example Western Isles) in population and a suggestion was to learn from their experiences where appropriate.

A brief description of the main headlines from the Argyll and Bute wide perspective followed by detail on local issues and priorities within the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands consultation follows. Potential solutions to the topics and issues raised are based on participants views and comments put forward at workshop and Question Time events.

Outcome 1 - The economy is diverse and thriving

Argyll and Bute

Four main issues were raised in Outcome 1 workshops:

- Enabling (small) businesses / start-ups
- Promoting Argyll and Bute
- Housing
- Land ownership

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands

Key areas raised in MAKI were around the economy, support for small business and land ownership issues. Housing was raised as a priority and this is included in Outcome 2 - Infrastructure.

Topic raised	Issue discussed	Potential solutions raised as part of engagement process
Local Control	Community Plans	Adopt Community Plans to help lever in funding
Small Business Development	Small Business Support, lack of premises Infrastructure	More targeted support at early stages, more affordable business units in key localities
Employment	Harnessing Natural Resources	Support on transforming primary resources locally
Employment	Farming / Crofting	Initiatives to support these areas
Employment	Tourism	Promote high end Tourism
Employment	Income Deprivation	Adopt Living Wage across CPP partners
Employment	Access to Jobs	Develop Career Fairs, open days with local employers
Land Ownership	Lack of Availability	Community buy outs, Land Release

Town Centres	Lack of Use e.g. Lochgilphead	Local Strategies for Redevelopment, BIDs, emulate Campbeltown
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Outcome 2 – We have an infrastructure that supports sustainable growth

Argyll and Bute

Four main issues were raised in the Outcome 2 workshops:

- Transport,
- Broadband and internet
- Mobile coverage
- Electricity / grid

Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands

MAKI in the main broadly reflected concerns as highlighted in other areas with some localised issues.

Topic raised	Issue discussed	Potential solutions raised as part of engagement process
Transport	A83	Long term solution found quickly – E.g. Tunnel; develop alternative routes; bridge Cowal – Kintyre peninsula
Transport	Improved ferry services would potentially encourage population and economic growth.	Year round ferry services Campbeltown to Ardrossan & Ireland
Transport	Ferry reliability	Increase lobbying via SG and other routes
Renewables	Grid Connections impeding growth	Develop Argyll and Bute plan with milestones
Renewables	Develop more community owned projects (E.g. Islay Energy Trust)	Appropriate support provided
Renewables	Visual / local Impact	Due consideration given to each development, local community plans encouraged and adopted
Broadband	Slow roll out hindering small business growth and inbound mobility	European Funding, Research innovative models, community ownership models, Lobby for faster rollout
Mobile Phone Signal	Poor in many areas hindering small business growth and inbound mobility	Alternative models, lobby
Housing	Affordability, location, size	More appropriately sized and located affordable housing
Housing	Lack of appropriate housing for key professionals needed in area	Develop program for reintroducing tied housing for high demand skilled staff
Housing	Demand for second homes pushing house prices to unaffordable levels	Increase tax on second homes
Housing	Lack of Land for self-build	Program to release land for self- build + training courses

Outcome 3 - Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all

Argyll and Bute

Main issues raised in the Outcome 3 workshops:

- Barriers to accessing education, skills and training opportunities
- Secondary education, particularly with regard to where this leads and how it relates to future careers
- Access to, and availability of, further and higher education
- Skills gaps between the workforce and job opportunities
- Need for apprenticeships, career progression and work experience opportunities

Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands

Lifelong learning and issues relating to skills and training were prominent issues raised in the MAKI area.

Topic raised	Issue discussed	Potential solutions raised as part of engagement process
Lifelong Learning	Lack of opportunities	Improved broadband connections, more local provision
Skills and Training	Lack of appropriate Training e.g. forest husbandry, fish farming, tourism	More Argyll focused training, smaller groups, use of VC, work more closely with businesses to align training
Skills and Training	Support for those returning to work	Program / project to support those returning to work
Skills & Training	Work Experience – lack of programme	Develop placement program with businesses
Skills & Training	Apprenticeships	Develop program with businesses to create MAKI pilot Apprenticeship Program
Skills & Training	Use of online Resources	Significant scope to increase online learning, need to increase rollout of high speed internet, Create post dedicated to expansion of access to online learning

Outcome 4 - Children and young people have the best possible start

Argyll and Bute

The discussions in the workshops appear to have concentrated on childcare issues and the lack of activities and facilities for children and young people.

Main Issues raised in Outcome 4 workshops:

- Childcare
- Facilities and Activities
- Volunteering
- Engagement with Young People

Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands

Childcare was a key issue in the MAKI area, It is noteworthy that many felt school provision was considered to be generally of a high standard. Enabling young people

to access extracurricular activities in rural areas was an issue that was raised across MAKI.

Topic raised	Issue discussed	Potential solutions raised as part of engagement process
Childcare	Lack of affordability of childcare, acute in some locations e.g. Islands	Assist development of locally owned childcare facilities
Access to Extra Curricular Activities	Rural residing children have difficulty in accessing, lack of transport	Open classes to adults in addition to children (as was previously), website dedicated to car sharing

Outcome 5 - People live active, healthier and independent lives

Argyll and Bute

Areas highlighted in the Argyll and Bute report include the needs of specific groups, the value of social interaction and issues relating to access, most of which were also raised in the MAKI area.

Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands

The majority of comments from the area workshops fall into two broad categories:

- Access to Health Services – difficulty in accessing a range of appropriate health services in certain rural localities.
- Healthier Lives – Initiatives to help residents stay healthy

Topic raised	Issue discussed	Potential solutions raised as part of engagement process
Access to health service	Rurality is an issue	Increase use of internet based support
Employment in Health	Attracting and retaining health professionals	Can be difficult in rural areas; develop improved conditions for needed professional's e.g. tied housing, free subsidised transport, support with fuel costs, improved training for local people to access positions
Healthier Lives	Lack of activities	Develop more local activities for all age groups
Healthier Lives	Obesity / Overweight issues	More targeted positive programmes to encourage take up
Healthier Lives	Isolation	More and new ways to connect, better partnership working

Outcome 6 - People live in safer and stronger communities

Argyll and Bute

General agreement across Argyll and Bute and in MAKI that the area was safe and secure with a vibrant third sector. This was generally acknowledged to be a significant strength in developing programmes to encourage inbound migration

Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands

A number of local issues were identified within the MAKI area including continuing support for the vibrant third sector, access to services for those in rural areas and more generally access to services for those with disabilities.

Topic raised	Issue discussed	Potential solutions raised as part of engagement process
Fire Service	Recruitment issues with Retained Fire fighters (acute in Islay & some other areas)	Emulate Campbeltown model
Third Sector, Development Trusts	Need for continued support as significant sector in MAKI	Better partnership working, adaptation of local community plans by CPP
Third Sector	Lack of Partnership Working, competition for same funds	More meaningful ways for sector to work together, Forums, Local Community Plans
Community Cohesion	Fragile Rural communities suffering from depopulation	Programme to address depopulation
Community Cohesion	People with disabilities	Integration into communities, improve access to services

CONCLUSION

The consultation highlighted the participants' wish to prioritise developing the economic potential of Argyll and Bute through harnessing the strengths of our rich natural resources and heritage. Supporting small to medium enterprises through a range of measures including additional support at the early stages, more suitable premises and support to transform primary produce locally also came through as a strong view. It was thought that this should be supported by a better connected Argyll and Bute with fast reliable road, ferry and air connections and placing higher importance on the roll out of superfast broadband and improved mobile phone signal in our rural communities.

Challenges include how to ensure our health service meets the need of a geographically dispersed ageing population which may, in time, be mitigated as set targets for increasing population in identified localities are aligned to services to these growing population centres. Similarly pressure on local education provision may be relaxed as suitable population growth areas develop.

Encouraging new ways to listen to local communities aspirations, for example through the recognition and formal adoption of local Community Plans, presents its challenges not least in areas such as planning, yet may also provide the resources to our rural communities to thrive. There was general recognition that young people seeking wider experiences may move out of the area and more could be done to both encourage those who wish to stay or who may be considering returning as they progress through different stages of their lives.

Options for practical incentives designed to encourage inbound migration include opening land for development, a multi-faceted approach to delivering new, appropriate housing solutions, and a commitment to paying the living wage across Community Planning Partners. All, or some, of these may begin to address the falling population and build a longer term sustainable and vibrant economy, serving the needs of those who choose to live, work and play in one of Scotland's most impressive, hospitable, and safest areas.

This report also suggests there is scope to develop local area action plans for the MAKI Community Planning group in parallel with the high level Single Outcome Agreement delivery plans. Such a move would demonstrate a commitment by partners to ensure the priorities of local communities are both listened to and transformed into meaningful action.

APPENDIX 1

Five consultation events occurred in four locations across Mid Argyll Kintyre and the Islands as follows:

Islay and Jura Workshop in partnership with IJCVS	Wed 29 January	7.00 - 9.00pm	Gaelic Centre, Bowmore
Kintyre Workshop in partnership with KIWG	Fri 14 February	3.00 - 5.30pm	Campbeltown Town Hall
Mid-Argyll Workshop	Tues 18 February	3.00 - 5.30pm	Tarbert Academy
Mid-Argyll, Kintyre & Isles Debate	Tues 18 February	7.00 - 9.00pm	Tarbert Academy (VC to Islay)
Colonsay Focus Group in partnership with CCDC	Tues 25 February	6.00 – 8.00pm	Service Point, Colonsay

Attendance at events was as follows:

Location	Dates	Attendance		
		CPP	Third Sector/ Community	Total
Campbeltown Workshop	14 February 2014	17	11	28
Colonsay Focus Group	25 February 2014	1	7	8
Islay and Jura Workshop	29 January 2014	9	21	30
Mid-Argyll, Kintyre & Islands – Question Time Event	18 February 2014	17	20	37
Tarbert Workshop	18 February 2014	16	26	42

Online survey responses were as follows

Area	No of responses
Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands	186
• <i>Mainland</i>	<i>168</i>
• <i>Islands</i>	<i>18</i>

EVALUATION OF EVENTS

In order to assess how participants felt about the events, and how the consultation processes might be improved in future, evaluation of events were carried out. At 8 of 9 workshop events, PowerPoint voting was used, and results are as follows:

Results of PowerPoint voting evaluation at workshops

	Important	Quite important	Not really important	Not important at all
How important do you think it is that we hold events to discuss issues like this with the community?	74%	18%	6%	2%
	Comprehensive	Adequate	I would have liked more information	I didn't receive any information
How would you rate the information you received prior to the event?	6%	39%	32%	23%
	Very good	Good	Poor	Very poor
How would you rate the opportunities to discuss issues in the workshops?	36%	52%	10%	2%
	Better than I expected		As I expected	Less than I expected
Did the event meet your expectations?	39%		52%	9%
	Excellent	Good	Not very good	Poor
How would you rate the event overall?	18%	72%	9%	2%
	Important	Quite important	Not really important	Not important at all
How important is it that we provide you with a summary of the points raised at the event?	80%	14%	5%	1%

Evaluation forms were available at the Question Time events and some of the comments received are as follows:

- Time too short to discuss BIG issues
- Consultations – do these more often
- Dwelt more on the negative rather than
- Panel took defensive rather than

solutions

- Communications of event – if you want more people to attend need to advertise more and provide more information on your website
- Need to hear from local business

investigative approach

- Need for questionnaires to be sent out to households and businesses to consider their views – not everyone has time to come to meetings