Better Community Engagement:

Development of a learning programme to support and improve practice in engaging with communities

Argyll and Bute Pilot

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Aims of BCE Programme nationally

- Establish one or more working models of effective learning for community engagement across Scotland
- Evidence how structured learning could impact or improve community engagement practice
- Provide an evidence base for future development of learning for community engagement







Local Demonstration Projects

- Argyll and Bute
- Angus
- Comhairle Nan Eilean Siar (Western Isles)
- East Renfrewshire
- Edinburgh Partnership
- Faith in Community (Scotland)
- Falkirk
- Fife Partnership
- Moray
- West Lothian







Advisory Group - Membership

- Association of Chief Police Officers Scotland (ACPOS)
- Confederation Of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA)
- Community Development Alliance Scotland (CDAS)
- Community Learning and Development Managers Scotland (CLDMS)
- Edinburgh Partnership (for Local Demonstration Projects)
- Greenspace Scotland

- Her Majesty's Inspectorate of Education (HMIE)
- Positive Action in Housing (PAiH)
- Research (Universities Scotland)
- Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO)
- Scottish Federation of Housing Associations (SFHA)
- South Ayrshire Council (for Community Planning Partnerships (CPPs))
- The Poverty Alliance







National context

- National Government priorities and Single Outcome agreements
- Community Empowerment
- Better Community Engagement A Framework for Learning was developed by the Scottish Community Development Centre (SCDC) on behalf of Communities Scotland and was published in early 2007

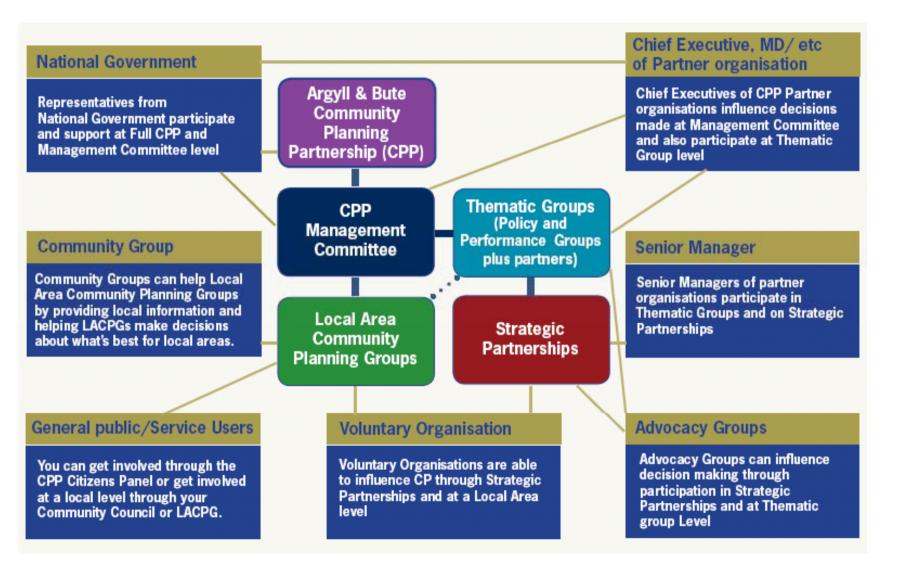








Argyll and Bute CPP Structure and Stakeholders



Community Safety Unity Policing Plans	Locality Management Health Health Improvement Improvement Networks	Public Patient Partnership		ASIS Terrandistriction of the Residents	Groups Local Transport Local Transport Owiders
Work with Schools Training Officer Support Elected Members	Argyll and	Local A	Area	Transport 3rd Sector Partnership	User Groups User Groups 3rd Sector Forum Training Community Engagement
Maintaining Local Plans Performance Performance Management Management Local	Bute Council Customer Services Customer Services Customer Services Customer Services Customer Services Community Development Community Development Community Development Community Development Strathclyde Fire Conficers C	Plann	ning	Community Councils Private Sector	Group Support Local Consultations Regular Meetings
Capacity Capacity Building Group Support Community Safety	Samuel Samuel Paris				of Commerce

Argyll and Bute Better Community Engagement Pilot – Initial Aims

- Develop training materials for effective and appropriate methods of consultation for Community Planning Partners particularly in relation to the LACPG structures
- Develop and provide training to help communities participate at a number of levels
- Identify and develop training on innovative and effective ways of providing feedback to communities and evidence that community voices have been heard and action taken







Argyll and Bute Pilot – Changes since the project started

- Community Development Officers in post
- Community Engagement Strategy and Action Plan
- Community Engagement Sub group agreed as part of CPP structure
- Action Plan for each LACPG developed and amended as a result of Forward Together events

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Argyll and Bute Pilot - progress so far ...

- Links with LWTT established
- Partners regularly updated
- Set up steering group
- Identified resources and examples of good practice to include in the resource pack
- Communicated with a range of partners
- Case studies being considered from a range of partners
- Informing partners through presentations







Argyll and Bute Pilot - Next steps

- Training for LACPG partners.
- Feedback from partners on the effectiveness of the resource pack.
- Fine tune the resource pack.
- Report back to LACPG meetings.
- Dissemination of the pack.
- National BCE conference.







Community empowerment

For the newsletter, more information and updates on community empowerment, visit:

www.scotland.gov.uk/communityempowerment

Further information please contact your local Community Development Officer





