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MINUTES of MEETING of MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in the Council Chambers, Kilmory on WEDNESDAY, 3 DECEMBER 2014

Present:

Councillor Rory Colville (Chair)

Councillor Robin Currie Councillor Sandy Taylor Councillor Donald MacMillan

Attending:Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager
Lorna Elliott, Community Governance Manager
Laura Macdonald, Community Development Officer
Antonia Baird, Community Development Officer
Sergeant Mark Wilson, Police Scotland
Station Commander Martin Hill, Scottish Fire and Rescue
Kate MacAulay, NHS
Sam Campbell, NHS (by VC to Marriage Rooms, Helensburgh)
Campbell Cameron, Community Broadband Scotland

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies for absence were intimated by:-

Councillor Anne Horn Councillor Donald Kelly Councillor John McAlpine Councillor Douglas Philand Samantha Quarton, Argyll and Bute Council Donnie Cameron, NHS Margaret Wallace, Argyll Voluntary Action

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. MINUTE - MID ARGYLL, KINTYRE AND THE ISLANDS COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP - 3 SEPTEMBER 2014 The Minute of the meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands

The Minute of the meeting of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Community Planning Group held on 3 September 2014 was approved as a true and correct record.

4. HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE CPP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE The group considered a report outlining the highlights from the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership Management Committee meeting on 31 October 2014.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the highlights.

5. AREA GOVERNANCE REVIEW REPORT

The group considered an update on the progress of the current Area Community Planning Group Terms of Reference and Membership Review.

(a) AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP - TERMS OF REFERENCE

The group considered a report advising that the draft Terms of Reference (TOR), including the comments made by the Area CPG's during the September round of meetings, were approved by the CPP Management Committee on 31 October 2014. The report outlined the timeline for the reviewed governance arrangements coming into force.

Decision:

The group noted that the review process is in its final stage and that the revised governance arrangements are expected to come into force during the March 2015 round of meetings.

(Ref: Report by Head of Community and Culture, dated 3 December 2014, submitted.)

(b) AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP MEMBERSHIP

The report outlined the proposed initial membership of the group, with it being identified that the membership will continue to be reviewed on a regular basis by the Area CPG and that there is a provision for additional organisations to join the group at a later date to accommodate local circumstances. General discussion took place in regard to the poor attendance and to the need for improvement in terms of the direction of travel of the meetings, with it being established that there had been a number of concerns and that since the implementation of the new political management arrangements, the Council have been given additional resources to address the concerns, and that although it is still considered a "work in progress" the new developments are making a difference.

Decision:

The group agreed to issue invitations to join the Area CPG to all the organisations listed in the proposed initial membership list.

6. SOA LOCAL DEVELOPMENT ACTION PLAN PHASE 2 UPDATE

The group considered a report providing an update on the progress relating to the development of the SOA local: Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands. It highlighted the action plan, which has been split into phases, and provided details of the focus group which had been held in the Council Chambers, Kilmory, Lochgilphead on 5 November 2014. Discussion was had with Members indicating dissatisfaction with how the focus group had been perceived and that it may have been better to have had a workshop based on how best to take forward the Community Planning Groups (CPG). The Area Governance Manager advised that the workshop was about developing the SOA Local and that the discussions that took place at the September meeting, surrounding the draft terms of reference of the CPG was an opportunity for all members to link in.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the contents of the report.

(Ref: Report by Community Governance Manager, dated 2 December 2014, submitted.)

7. COMMUNITY COUNCIL BY ELECTIONS UPDATE

The group considered a report outlining the membership of Community Councils in Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands following the annual Community Council By-elections.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the information provided.

The Chair took the opportunity to congratulate the Governance team on the success of the by-elections.

(Ref: Report by Executive Director of Customer Services, dated 3 December 2014, submitted.)

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

(a) POLICE SCOTLAND

The group considered a verbal update by Sergeant Mark Wilson, who updated the group in relation to the trends in relation to common assaults, which were on a downward trend. He advised that the detection rate for this was one of the highest in Scotland at 82%. He further advised of the slight increase in serious assaults, with the figure rising from 1 to 3 in the last year. He advised that the additional 2 were as a result of serious crimes that had taken place in the Campbeltown area, and to date remained unsolved. He outlined the Festive Safety Campaign and advised that they had been working closely with Trading Standards with a view to protecting vulnerable persons from scams. Sergeant Wilson advised that there was also a drug campaign which was due to be advertised in the local press and media.

Sergeant Wilson updated the group in relation to a number of staffing changes within the area. He advised that Inspector Harper had finished yesterday with Mack Stephen taking over temporarily. Sergeant Wilson advised that he was moving on in January to the Dunoon area and then to Glasgow to join the Crime Camp. The Chair thanked Sergeant Wilson for the information provided, and wished him luck in his future career.

(b) SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE

The group considered a verbal update by Station Commander Martin Hill, who updated the group in terms of the Autumn and Bonfire strategies. He advised that there had been a small number of fires and special services, such as flooding assistance over the last quarter but a larger number of road traffic incidents. Mr Hill advised that the Service were currently moving into their festive strategy which had a number of strands. He spoke of the safety literature which was currently available and that with every Tesco delivery a safety leaflet was included. Discussion took place in relation to joint working, dangerous driving campaigns and the young fire fighters scheme.

The Chair thanked Station Commander Hill for the information provided.

(c) MAKI COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM - HIGHLIGHT/EXCEPTIONS REPORT

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.

9. OUTCOME 1. IN ARGYLL AND BUTE THE ECONOMY IS DIVERSE AND THRIVING

(a) BUSINESS GATEWAY REPORT

The group considered a report outlining Business Gateway's tasks and in particular the task of signposting clients towards potential funding routes.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the information provided.

(Ref: Report by Business Adviser, Business Gateway, dated 3 December 2014, submitted.)

(b) KINTYRE INITIATIVE PARTNERSHIP - HIGHLIGHT/EXCEPTION REPORT

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

Decision

The group noted the report.

10. OUTCOME 2: WE HAVE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT SUPPORTS SUSTAINABLE GROWTH

(a) COMMUNITY BROADBAND SCOTLAND

The group were given a presentation by Campbell Cameron, who outlined the proposed delivery plan for superfast Broadband to the most rural and remote areas of Argyll and Bute and highlighted the tranformation this will have on how those communities live, learn and work.

The Chair thanked Campbell for his informative presentation.

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

(a) NHS HIGHLAND

Mental Wellbeing

The group considered a report providing a general update regarding local and national mental health and wellbeing issues.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the updated.

(Ref: Report by Senior Health Improvement Specialist – Mental Health, dated 21 November 2014, submitted.)

MAKI Locality Update

The group considered a report providing updates on issues previously reported at MAKI CPG meetings and highlights recent locality developments/issues.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the update.

(Ref: Report by Locality Manager, MAKI, dated December 2014, submitted.)

(b) HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE INTEGRATION

The group considered a report outlining the implementation of new arrangements to meet statutory duties and responsibilities that will shape the future delivery of Health and Social Care in Argyll and Bute, as outlined within the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014. The Area Governance Manager advised that there would be an update report on the progress of the Health and Social Care Integration at each future meeting of the CPG.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the contents of the report.

(Ref: Report by Joint Project Manager – Integration, dated 31 October 2014, submitted.)

(c) ARGYLL VOLUNTARY ACTION

There was no update provided.

12. DATE OF FUTURE MEETINGS

The group considered a report which set out the proposed future CPG meeting programme for 2015/16.

Decision:

The group agreed to the proposed meeting schedule.

(Ref: Report by Community Governance Manager, dated 3 December 2014, submitted.)