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SUPPLEMENTARY PACK

OBAN LORN & THE ISLES COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP - CORRAN HALLS, OBAN on WEDNESDAY, 12 MARCH 2014 at 2:00 PM.

I refer to the above meeting and enclose herewith agenda items 8 (Community Safety Highlight/Exceptions Report) and 9 (Area Community Planning Group Events) which were marked on the agenda as “to follow”.

“TO FOLLOW” ITEMS

- 8. COMMUNITY SAFETY HIGHLIGHT/EXCEPTIONS REPORT**
Report by Area Governance Officer (Pages 1 - 4)
- 9. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP EVENTS**
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OBAN, LORN AND THE ISLES COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

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ARGYLL & BUTE COUNCIL**Oban Lorn and the Isles Community
Planning Group
March 2014****CUSTOMER SERVICES**

**Community Safety Forum Exception report to the Oban Lorn and the Isles
Community Planning group**

1. SUMMARY

The purpose of this Paper is to update the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Community Planning Group (CPG) regarding the main pieces of work undertaken by the Area Community Safety Forum (ACSF) in the last time period.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

That the CPG:

- 2.1 Note the exception report provided below (If further detail is desired the full minutes are published on the Council website);
- 2.2 Consider whether there are any specific tasks or issues which it wishes the ACSF to undertake or review, and
- 2.3 Note that the group, in common with the other forums, is considering the future direction of Community Safety provision, and how best to support it.

3. DETAIL

- 3.1 The ACSP is a partnership focusing on community safety issues in a broad sense and undertakes various pieces of work in this arena.
- 3.2 There is a move to align all service provision with the outcomes identified in the Single Outcome Agreement, to which all public sector partners are signatories.
- 3.3 Each ACSF had an agenda item during this round of meetings, requesting that they consider the future role of the Forums would, or should be. It was noted that the Chair of the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee, Chief Superintendent Barry McEwan is also leading on the work stream relating to outcome 6 of the Single Outcome Agreement "People live in safer and stronger communities" and that he will be providing a strategic lead and tasking on community safety.
- 3.4 The possibility of the remit of the local Community Safety Forums being

subsumed within the local Community Planning group was raised.

3.5 The potential for a strong strategic lead was welcomed since this could provide necessary focus for the partners efforts, however, the ACSF was very seriously concerned that to subsume the group back into the CPG when the ACSF is already a subgroup of the Area Community Planning Group, would lead to a significant loss of focus on local issues and also the loss of local understanding of how issues can be resolved, and locally appropriate methods of dealing with problems. One major reason for this concern is that the agenda and remit of the full ACPGs is very broad and the time available at meetings is very limited; consequently, it will not be possible for open detailed discussion to take place. It was suggested that if the Forum were to be subsumed into the CPG, then specific tasking for each topic to be covered would be required, and these would come to the various CPG members concerned. It was the view of those present that these CPG members would actually, in very large part, be the relevant CSF member, who would then require to work with other CPG members (who are currently also CSF members) and so disbanding the group would be absolutely pointless since it would effectively have to reform for each tasking, which would not be an efficient use of time or resources. It was also noted that the Work of Lochwatch and the improvement monitoring and reporting mechanisms contained in the final report into the accident on the loch had warranted positive mention in the coroner's report at the time and that his observations were still true.

3.6 It was noted that this was a major issue for members of the ACSFs to consider, and while more detailed proposals would probably be forthcoming at future meetings, Forum members were firmly of the view that the OLI Forum is an effective model for the delivery of the Community Safety agenda and that working and professional relationships between organisations continue to be very fruitful.

4 IMPLICATIONS

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| 4.1 | Policy | Review of the delivery of community safety will ensure that the service is efficiently delivered, and is reported on effectively thereby making clear its contribution to the achievement of the targets and objectives of the SOA and the Community Plan |
| 4.2 | Financial | None, |
| 4.3 | Personnel | None |
| 4.4 | Equalities Impact Assessment | None. |
| 4.5 | Legal | None |

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6 March 2014

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Oban Lorn and the Isles Community Safety Forum Exception Report March 2014

| Theme | Community Safety Outcome' | Issue and Actions | Comment | Outcomes/ Indicators |
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| <p>Personal and Home Safety</p> <p><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 initiative</p> <p>Policing priorities</p> | <p>Arrochar has been identified as a pilot location for this initiative, the CC are supportive</p> <p>The consultation on policing priorities is underway and final local plans will be published shortly</p> <p>The OLI Police are preparing for a number of musical events such as festivals in Mull, and Tiree</p> <p>A concern was raised about the increasing popularity of the internet "game" Nek-nomination" for</p> | <p>Trading standards are seeking external funding for the signage to take this initiative forward</p> <p>This game involves the quick consumption of a considerable amount of alcohol and sometimes other liquids. This can be extremely dangerous and there have already been several related deaths-although none in this area as yet</p> | |
| <p>Travel Safety</p> <p><i>Includes issues that and individuals may encounter such as pedestrian safety, road traffic accidents, water safety, public transport safety</i></p> | <p>Parking decriminalisation</p> <p>Lochwatch Loch Awe</p> <p>Oban Connel back road</p> | <p>This is continuing and officers will be in place by the end of May</p> <p>The new Rescue Boat is having sonar and radar fitted and will be ready before the season begins</p> <p>The need for a reduction in the speed limit on this road was considered and appropriate action was to be taken</p> | <p>The ground around the memorial may be given to the Lochwatch group to use as a mustering and coordination point.,</p> <p>Following the meeting, investigations were undertaken and it was found that there was no evidence of speeding on this road, consequently no further action is required at this time and the Area Committee will be advised as such.</p> | |
| <p>Safety of Vulnerable Groups</p> <p><i>Deals with issues in relation to individuals or groups who may be vulnerable including elderly</i></p> | <p>Sexual Health</p> | <p>Laura Stephenson from NHS highland spoke to a paper on promoting Sexual health</p> | <p>This paper was well received and the forum noted a number of resources which are available in this arena such as TESSA, and Nursery Chrymes The forum also wished its contents circulated within the community to raise awareness locally re the issues of sexual health and attitudes</p> | |

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| <p><i>people, young children, victims of hate crime and sexual violence</i></p> | <p>Fire safety</p> <p>Looked after children</p> | <p>It was noted that the winter campaign had been very successful and this was due in part to the number of home fire safety visits.</p> <p>It was noted by the group that changes in the law mane that the local authority hasan increased obligation placed on it in light of changes to the Community payback scheme and also changes in the LAC legislation which will mean that a child who has been in care will be able to expect a level of support up until the age of 25</p> | <p>In Oban a volunteer was recruited and their home fire safety visit was the topic of an article in the Oban times which lead to an increase in the uptake of visits. The service is now concentrating on its spring strategy</p> | |
| <p>Environment Safety</p> <p><i>Environment safety concerns the aesthetics of communities and neighbourhoods and includes vandalism and criminal damage, graffiti, fly tipping, littering, dog fouling and secondary fires</i></p> | <p>Minimise criminal damage/crime against persons/property</p> <p>Dog fouling</p> <p>Grants</p> | <p>Muirburn code – part of the spring campaign is to send reminders out about the muirburn code to farmers</p> <p>This continues to be an issue, in specific locations</p> <p>There are still grants available for improving private water supplies</p> | <p>Information on the code is being circulated via a number of avenues including feed suppliers agreeing to deliver information with their deliveries</p> <p>The newly appointed Traffic Wardens will also be able to issue dog fouling notices.</p> <p>Anyone interested in this should contact environmental health directly.</p> | |
| <p>Public Space Safety</p> <p><i>This deals with people’s safety in their communities and public perception of safety including anti social behaviour, public disorder and violence.</i></p> | <p>Bikers roadmap</p> | <p>It is hoped that this map will be available in draft form for the next meeting</p> | | |

Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership**Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group**
12 March 2014

Community Planning Group Area Forum Events

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1 This report is to update the area Community Planning Group on the progress to date for the Area Forum events.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1 The area Community Planning Group notes the progress to date of the delivery of community engagement events to consult on the SOA 2013-23.
- 2.2 The area Community Planning Group agrees to a further, more detailed, report to be presented at the June meeting. At this time, the group can consider 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).

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1 The CPP Management Committee agreed to run area forum events to engage with communities on the SOA 2013-23. The CPP was awarded funding of £4,000 towards the events from Education Scotland.
- 3.2 These events were designed to give the CPP the opportunity to fulfil the engagement commitments required as part of the community planning and SOA development process.
- 3.3 The focus of the events was agreed to be the overarching outcome for the SOA: 'Argyll and Bute's economic success is built on a growing population'. Events are entitled: **"Oban, Lorn and the Isles - A Good Place to Live, Work, and Play?"**

It was agreed that the results from the events will feed into the development of the SOA Delivery Plans and the forthcoming Argyll & Bute Population Summit.

- 3.4 Oban, Lorn and the Isles Community Planning Group appointed a steering group to plan and deliver the events. Thanks are due to this group for their work and support.
Thanks are also due to the chair of the Question Time event, David Sloss.

4. DETAIL

4.1 A total of 13 events have been held, including four in Oban, Lorn and the Isles: Workshops in Oban, Tiree and Mull, and a Question Time event in Oban. See Appendix 1 for details of attendance. Consultations in three areas stretched Community Planning partners' resources and time but significantly increased the opportunities for communities to engage in the discussions.

4.2 Events were held over an afternoon and evening, as follows:

- a. Discussion workshops, in 'world café' format, with 6 tables/groups considering each of the 10-year outcomes facilitated by CPP partner representatives; and
- b. Question Time-style public debate with a panel of eight key partners.

Attendance was good including a significant number of partners, some of whom acted as facilitators and scribes, sat on the panel, and set up stalls to engage with attendees.

4.3 Questions regarding ways of attracting more people to stay in, or return to, Argyll and Bute were posed at the workshop event using powerpoint voting (PPV).

The same questions are posed on the online survey to allow those unable to attend to engage in the process. 515 survey forms were completed online, 95 of which are from Oban, Lorn and the Isles.

4.4 The workshops generated lively debate under each of the 6 long-term outcomes, as well as some useful suggestions of what might be taken forward. Evaluation by participants was very positive.

The Question Time debates gave communities the opportunity to question key strategic partners.

A large amount of information has been gathered and is now in the process of being analysed. A more detailed report will be produced for the area CPG, to be presented at the June meeting. Partners will be asked to consider what actions might be taken forward by this area Community Planning Group.

5. CONCLUSION

5.1 Initial conclusions across all events appear to focus on the need to prioritise Outcomes 1 and 2.

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Appendix 1

Attendance at Events

Workshop events

| Area | Date | Attendance | | | |
|--|------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| | | CPP | Third Sector/ Community | Other | Total |
| Rothesay | 17 January 2014 | 13 | 21 | 4 | 38 |
| Dunoon | 20 January 2014 | 21 | 25 | | 46 |
| Helensburgh | 06 February 2014 | 26 | 30 | 19 | 75 |
| Islay and Jura | 29 January 2014 | 9 | 21 | | 30 |
| Tiree in partnership with Tiree Development Trust | 01 February 2014 | 6 | 35 | | 41 |
| Oban | 04 February 2014 | 24 | 32 | | 56 |
| Mull in partnership with Mull and Iona Community Trust | 10 February 2014 | 16 | 27 | | 43 |
| Campbeltown | 14 February 2014 | 18 | 11 | | 29 |
| Tarbert | 18 February 2014 | 16 | 26 | | 42 |

Question Time Events

| Area | Date | Attendance | | | |
|-------------------------------|------------------|------------|----------------------------|-------|-------|
| | | CPP | Third Sector/ Community | Other | Total |
| Bute and Cowal | 03 February 2014 | 12 | 22 | 6 | 34 |
| Oban, Lorn & Isles | 04 February 2014 | 19 | 9 | 7 | 35 |
| Helensburgh and Lomond | 06 February 2014 | 19 | 20 | 35 | 74 |
| Mid-Argyll, Kintyre & Islands | 18 February 2014 | 17 | 20 | | 37 |

*Breakdown of attendance is approximate until full analysis has been carried out.

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