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## SUPPLEMENTARY PACK

### **BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP – TUESDAY, 3 OCTOBER 2017 AT 10.00AM IN THE ACTIVITY ROOM, MOAT COMMUNITY EDUCATION CENTRE, ROTHESAY**

I enclose herewith item 4 (**STANDING ITEM: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE**) and item 5 (**CONSIDERATION AND SIGN OFF OF THE BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN**) which were marked “to follow” on the Agenda for the above meeting.

## **BUSINESS**

### **4. STANDING ITEM: MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE**

Report by Community Planning Manager  
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### **5. CONSIDERATION AND SIGN OFF OF THE BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN**

Report by Community Planning Manager  
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## **Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group**

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**Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership**

**Bute and Cowal  
Area Community Planning Group**

**Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017**



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**Briefing Note: Community Planning Partnership Management Committee update**

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This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee on 20 September 2017, and its consideration of issues raised by Area Community Planning Group Chairs. The briefing is for noting.

**Summary**

The CPP Management Committee met on the 20 September in Helensburgh Civic Centre.

Area Community Planning Group chairs raised matters of concern within their local areas with the CPP Management Committee, and these matters were taken on board and actioned where relevant.

Highlights of the meeting are attached.

Further information is available in the *meetings, minutes and agendas* section of:

<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/community-planning-partnership>

**Matters Raised by Area Community Planning Group Chairs****Bute and Cowal, Willie Lynch Chair.**

**Issue:** Declining look and feel of Dunoon town is of concern.

**Response:** Concerns were acknowledged, it was stated that difficult financial times were impacting. Work to improve Dunoon is ongoing, and recently the Council had a fund to which communities could apply to help environmental improvement in their area.

**Helensburgh and Lomond, Morevain Martin, Vice Chair.**

**Issue:** MOD personnel potentially looking to live out-with the base and the implications and opportunities from this are key topics of discussion.

**Response:** There are working groups of community planning partners looking at aspects of this including housing.

**Issue:** Greater Glasgow and Clyde Health Board are undertaking a review of the out of hours service provided by the Vale of Leven Hospital which is causing significant concern within the Helensburgh and Lomond area.

**Response:** Health and Social Care Locality Planning is leading on dealing with this issue.

### **Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands. Andy Buntin Chair**

**Issue:** The short list of regeneration projects for Lochgilphead, Ardrishaig and Tarbert were agreed at the MAKI Area Committee and business cases are being developed for these. It is hoped that they will provide much needed regeneration.

**Response:** This was noted.

### **Oban, Lorn and the Isles**

**Issue:** Road safety is a big concern and road closures over the recent period have been frequent and impactful on the community.

**Response:** Highlands and Islands Enterprise highlighted a mobile phone application (App) developed for the area of Arran which provides information on all aspects of driving on Arran. Police took an action to provide information on the West of Scotland / Arran App to Argyll and Bute's road safety group for consideration.

### **Concluding Point for Action**

Communicating Community Planning is a priority for the Partnership and we welcome the distribution of the attached highlights to increase awareness of what happens at a Management Committee meeting.

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These highlights from the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee meeting held on the 20<sup>th</sup> September 2017 are for information purposes for Area Community Planning Groups and partner organisations to distribute freely.

- Welcomed the new chair Chief Superintendent Hazel Hendren.
- Reviewed feedback from the community on the draft Area Community Action Plans, and agreed final content to be included within the plans. The plans will go to Area Community Planning Group meetings in October for final review and sign off.
- Discussion on the issues raised by Area Community Planning Group chairs which included concerns on regeneration, road safety and infrastructure to support population increase. Relevant actions included best practice on road safety mobile application (App) in Arran being shared with Argyll and Bute Road Safety Group.
- Agreement to set up a short life working group to develop a portal to attract people to live, visit and work in Argyll and Bute.
- Signed off the Argyll and Bute Alcohol and Drugs Partnership Annual Report, for submission to Scottish Government.
- Signed off the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Local Plan.

Full details of the meeting of the CPP Management Committee can be found on Argyll and Bute Council Website.

If you have any queries on these highlights please contact: [cppadmin@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:cppadmin@argyll-bute.gov.uk)

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**Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership****Bute and Cowal  
Area Community Planning Group****Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017**

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**Briefing Note: Area Community Planning Action Plan**

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This briefing is for the final sign off of the attached action plan.

**Summary**

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act places a requirement on Community Planning Partnerships to publish 'Locality Plans' known here as Area Community Planning Action Plans to address the inequality of experience across communities and have actions to address these. All Community Planning partners are responsible for ensuring the CPP delivers its commitments within the plans. The Plans are required to be signed off in October 2017 by Area Community Planning Groups and will form the basis of future meetings.

**Points for Consideration**

Over the past year the CPP's work on the Area Community Action Plan has involved:

- Consideration of the legislation
- Consideration of current community and partner plans and their existing actions to address issues
- Use of statistics and community profiling using a national tool, created for CPPs in Scotland by the Improvement Service
- Engagement with Area Community Planning Groups on key issues (February 2017)
- Engagement using the Place Standard Tool (over 500 responses from individuals across Argyll and Bute, April 2017).
- Engagement with Community Planning Partners at a Development Day on 7 June to devise actions and further refinement of these at CPP meeting at end June 2017.
- Public consultation on the draft plans in August 2017.
- Drafting of final action plans and consideration of community feedback at CPP Management Committee, 20 September 2017

**Next steps**

- Final sign off at Area Community Planning Group
- Monitoring at Area Community Planning Group meetings

**Point for Discussion**

Discuss and agree the action plan, and sign this off for its use in future Area Community Planning meetings.

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# Bute & Cowal

## Area Community Planning Action Plan

### 2017-2020



## Introduction

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act requires Community Planning Partnerships (CPP) to have focused action plans to reduce inequalities within a community. The use of statistics, your feedback from the Place Standard Consultation held in April 2017 and local partners' knowledge has determined what activity needs to take place (and where) in the next 1 to 3 years.

The plan will be reviewed every 12 months and monitored at quarterly Area Community Planning Group meetings.

The actions contained within this plan do not feature in any other plans and complement ongoing activity from individual organisations. Some of the issues highlighted through the engagement in developing these plans are being addressed in plans such as:

- Health and Social Care Locality Plans
- Economic Development Action Plans
- Individual service plans of organisations
- Health and Wellbeing Network Plans

All partners in the Community Planning Partnership are committed to working together when engaging with the local community. Contact [communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk](mailto:communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk) for best practice.

## What activity is already happening within the Bute and Cowal area?

The following activities are happening within the Bute and Cowal area.

- [Dunoon Charrette - Think Dunoon](#)
- Remaking Rothesay Charrette and Bute Alliance
- [Redevelopment of Rothesay Pavilion](#)
- Health and Social Care Partnership Locality Plans
- [Local Economic Development Action Plans](#)
- [Redevelopment of the Queen's Hall, Dunoon](#)
- Dunoon Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme (CARS)
- CHArts
- BID23
- Caledonian MacBrayne Assets Ltd slip improvements on the Rhubodach/Colintraive crossing

The following activities are being explored in Community Planning's strategic delivery plans:

- Establish clusters of technology led enterprises at Sandbank Industrial Estate (HIE)
- Develop a multi-agency solution to the challenges faced by the new Early Years / Childcare regulations
- Actions from the Anti-Poverty strategy which related to Child Poverty (Health and Social Care Partnership)
- Explore the potential for setting up a Young Firefighters Unit / Police Scotland Youth Volunteer group in Dunoon (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service)
- Formalise a structure, share best practice and review the progress of the pilot of the Community Response to Mental Health in Dunoon with a view to rolling it out across Argyll and Bute (Health and Social Care Partnership)

## Existing Community Led Action Plans

The CPP is aware of the following Community Led Action Plans within the Bute and Cowal area. A Community Led Action Plan is a community-owned and community-led document identifying the needs of a community which sets out actions to address these.

[Ardentinny](#)

[Cairndow](#)

[Kilfinan](#)

[Sandbank](#)

[Benmore and Kilmun](#)

[Colintraive and Glendaruel](#)

[Lochgoil](#)

[Strachur](#)

## Focused local area community planning work in 2017-2020

The communities that will be the focus of targeted local community planning partnership work in 2017-2020 are **Dunoon** and **Rothesay**. The CPP also recognises that neighbouring communities will benefit from any targeted action. For more information, see page 7.

## What actions are Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership committing to do in the area?

We have consulted with Area Community Planning Groups and local communities to determine where focused activity should take place and what key themes require action. The actions will help reduce the inequality of outcome experienced by communities living in these areas and will complement the existing strategic activity and community-led action plans already happening within the area.

## Dunoon

Action	Lead Organisation
Speak to local businesses about what activities they run in the area and the marketing for these activities.	Argyll & Bute Council
Work with communities to attract funding to help regenerate area	Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park / Argyll & Bute Council
Use the feedback from the Place Standard consultation and produce a communication detailing what is happening within the Dunoon area and circulate widely	Argyll & Bute Council
Look at Strachur elderly support group as a model of best practice for social and exercise and promote learning from this	Health and Social Care Partnership
Consult with residents to understand why they feel “less safe”	Police Scotland
Ensure partnership working with the Great Places Heritage Bid.	Argyll & Bute Council
Create opportunities for the business community to engage with Argyll & the Isles Tourism Co-operative and its partners to help understand and reach markets the area wants to attract and/or expand.	Visit Scotland
Invite a representative from Hunter’s Quay Community Council to the Area Community Planning Group	Argyll & Bute Council
Deliver engaging intergenerational workshops and projects with young people and the elderly to develop trust and promote creative learning	Argyll and Bute Third Sector Interface
Encourage growth in passenger vessel movements/cruise ship tender accommodation and increased associated commercial activity on Dunoon waterfront and other maritime access hubs (3 year action)	Argyll & Bute Council

## Rothesay

Action	Lead Organisation
Continue to work with Rothesay Pavilion charity to support the successful delivery of their business plan for the future management of the Pavilion as a centre for cultural and community activities	Argyll and Bute Council
Develop a brand narrative for Bute to transform perception and promote this narrative on the island	Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group
Agree a strategy and look to reduce the number of empty commercial properties on Bute	Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group
Continue to review the range of courses available on Bute and where possible, offer video conferencing to networked classes (non-practical)	Argyll College UHI

**Background Information and statistics on why we have chosen these communities**

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2016 ranked four of the twenty-seven data zones within Bute and Cowal as being among the 15% most overall deprived data zones in Scotland. One of these data zones is in Rothesay, the other three are in Dunoon and Hunter’s Quay. One of the data zones in Dunoon is among the top 5% most overall deprived data zones in Scotland.

The Improvement Service’s Community Planning Outcome Profile tool looks at Intermediate Geography Zones (IGZ) and ranks these against 8 outcomes: Out of Work Benefits, Child Poverty, S4 Tariff Rate, Positive Destinations, Crime Rate, Emergency Admissions, Early Mortality and Depopulation. It is worth stating that the most up to date data within the tool is from 2014 however these results show that 5 out of the 6 IGZ within the Bute and Cowal area are in the lower half of all communities within Argyll and Bute who are experiencing the poorest life outcomes. All 6 IGZ within the area are experiencing poorer outcomes than other similar communities across Scotland. 4 out of the 6 IGZ are in the lower half of all communities within Argyll and Bute in terms of improvement.

All Outcomes		Comparison against over similar communities across Scotland		Improvement	
Ranking against all Argyll and Bute Communities (poorest outcome to best outcome)	Name of area	Ranking and whether it is faring better or worse than other similar communities	Name of area	Ranking within Argyll and Bute (least improvement to most improvement) (1-22)	Name of area
1	Dunoon	1, worse	Dunoon	1	Cowal North
2	Rothesay Town	2, worse	Rothesay Town	2	Rothesay Town
7	Bute	5, worse	Bute	5	Dunoon
9	Cowal North	6, worse	Cowal North	6	Bute
11	Hunter's Quay	11, worse	Cowal South	13	Hunter's Quay
15	Cowal South	16, worse	Hunter's Quay	17	Cowal South

Source: Improvement Service Community Planning Outcome Profile Tool, June 2017

In addition, Argyll & Bute Council consulted with communities using the Place Standard tool in April 2017 to determine how people felt about the place that they lived in and which themes required the most improvement within an area. 72 people responded to the Place Standard consultation for the communities of Dunoon, Sandbank, Kirn and Innellan. The categories where respondents felt there was significant room for improvement were: Work and Local economy, Traffic and Parking, Street and Spaces and Influence and Sense of Control.

Across the whole Bute and Cowal area, 113 people responded on the communities of Cairndow, Dunoon, Glenbranter, Glendaruel, Innellan, Isle of Bute (including Port Bannatyne and Rothesay), Kirn, Lochgoilhead, Sandbank, Strachur, Strathlachlan, Strone and Tighnabruaich.

The CPP will monitor statistics and feedback from community consultations and will assess on an annual basis whether the communities receiving focused action should change.

### **What is an Intermediate Geography Zone and what area does it cover?**

The Scottish Government uses data zones to examine small area statistics. The geography of Scotland is dissected into local authority boundaries and a data zone is a small area with a population between 500 and 1000. Intermediate Geography Zones are aggregations of data zones and contain between 2,500 and 6000 people. They were created as there was a need for a statistical level between data zone and local authority area was required as not all statistics are able to be released at data zone level.

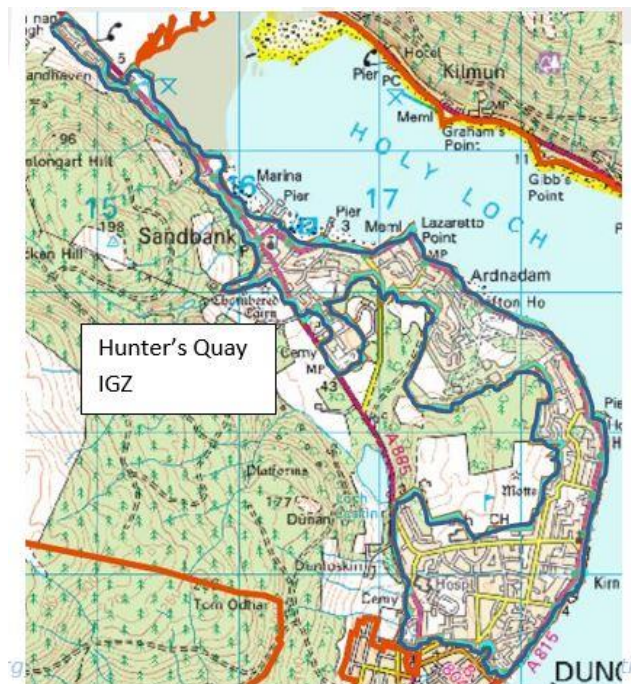
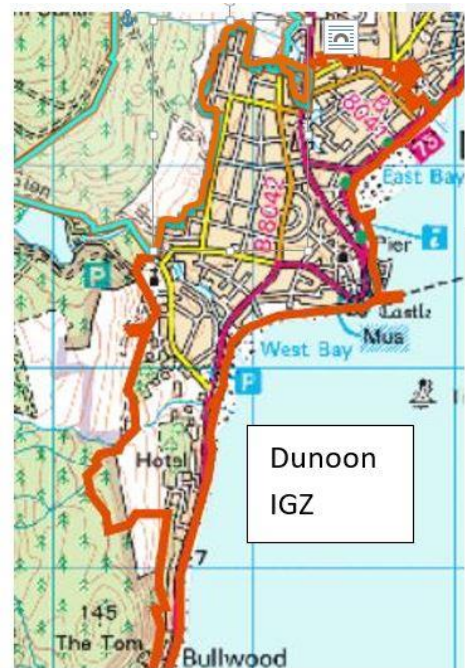
There are six Intermediate Geography Zones (IGZ) in the Bute and Cowal area: Bute, Rothesay Town, Cowal North, Cowal South, Dunoon and Hunter's Quay. The naming of these zones is determined by the Scottish Government and maps are useful to identify the boundaries.

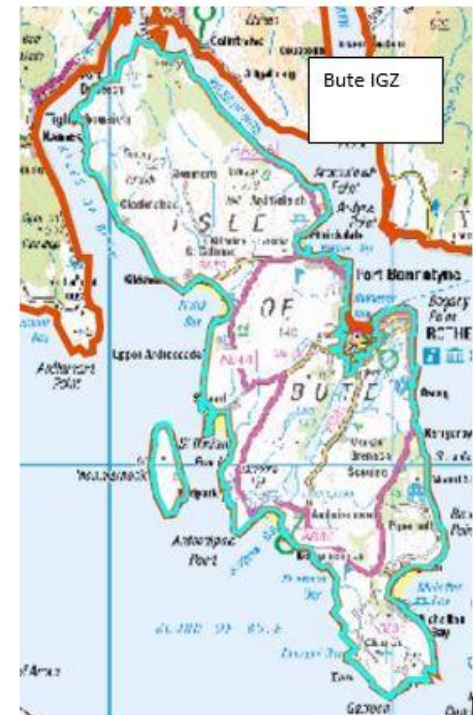
The statistics used by the Improvement Service to determine the rankings looks at these IGZ however the Community Planning Partnership is aware that focused activity will benefit the wider area.

The IGZ area of Cowal North extends to Dalmally, Tarbet and Glen Douglas within the Argyll and Bute boundary and also encompasses the communities between Tarbet and Crianlarich on the A82 road, which fall into the boundaries of a neighbouring local authority. For the purposes of this plan, actions which may impact Cowal North are limited to the recognised Council administrative area boundaries of Bute and Cowal.



## Maps of the Intermediate Geography Zones





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