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NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP** will be held **BY MICROSOFT TEAMS** on **TUESDAY, 16 AUGUST 2022** at **10:00 AM**, which you are requested to attend.

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8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will take place at 10.00am on Tuesday 1 November 2022

Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group

Charles Dixon-Spain (Chair)

Stuart McLean (Clerk)

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**MINUTES of MEETING of BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held by
MICROSOFT TEAMS
on TUESDAY, 19 APRIL 2022**

Present: Charles Dixon-Spain (Chair)
Councillor Gordon Blair
Councillor Jean Moffat
Stuart McLean – Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Ailie Law – Community Development Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
PC Laura Evans – Police Scotland
Alastair Moodie – Lochgoil Community Council
Reeni Kennedy-Boyle – Fyne Futures
Theresa Bain – Argyll College UHI
Barry Colvan – Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
Ann Campbell – Dunoon Area Alliance
Jen Broadhurst – Citizens Advice Bureau
Rhona Grant – Community Learning Service, Live Argyll
Andrew Galloway – BBC and Helensburgh Advertiser

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone and outlined the procedure for the meeting.

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of:

Councillor Jim Anderson;
Councillor Audrey Forrest;
Councillor Liz McCabe;
Susan MacRae, Skills Development Scotland;
Alastair MacGregor, Argyll Community Housing Association;
Laura Stephenson, Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership;
David Moore, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; and
Christopher Casey, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

3. MINUTES

The minutes of the Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group meeting held on Tuesday, 1 February 2022 were approved as a correct record.

**4. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR OF THE BUTE AND COWAL AREA
COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

The Group considered a report providing information relating to the appointment of a Vice-Chair of the Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group. The Committee Manager invited nominations from those in the meeting.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to appoint Alastair Moodie to the role of Vice-Chair.

(Reference: Report by Stuart McLean, Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 19 April 2022, submitted)

5. COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Group considered a briefing note which provided information around matters discussed during a virtual meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee, held on 16 March 2022.

Stuart McLean particularly highlighted the attendance of the new Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (MSYPs); an update provided in relation to the Child Poverty Working Group; an update from Lorna Byrne in relation to applications to the Scottish Welfare Fund; the work of the Digital Communities Group; and an update provided by Fergus Murray in relation to the Strategic Transportation Projects Review 2 (STPR 2).

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the briefing note.

(Reference: Report by Shona Barton, Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 19 April 2022, submitted)

6. PARTNERS UPDATES

(a) Police Scotland Update

The Group considered an update from PC Laura Evans, Police Scotland, which highlighted information relating to the appointment of a new Youth Engagement Officer; the work of the Counter Terrorism Liaison Officer; the changes arising as a result of the new Dogs (Protection of Livestock) (Amendment) (Scotland) Act 2021 and the ways in which this legislation was being promoted; and continued work to reduce incidents of fraud.

PC Evans also highlighted relevant personnel changes, with the recent appointment of Chief Inspector Glasgow. She advised that a replacement was also being sought for Inspector Forrest, following his retirement.

Discussion took place around the availability of posters to promote new livestock legislation. PC Evans agreed to distribute materials to interested parties following the meeting.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by PC Laura Evans and PS Elaine Heffron, Police Scotland,

submitted)

(b) Live Argyll - Community Learning Service Update

The Group considered an update from Rhona Grant, Live Argyll - Community Learning Service, which provided information relating to youth services, including the work of youth action groups; opportunities for young people to engage with the Give Holiday programmes; the development of Transition and School Leavers programmes; and the scheduled publishing of the new Youth Work Strategy. The update also included information relating to adult learning and highlighted the recruitment of an Adult Learning Worker for the Dunoon area; the opening of new weekly learning hubs for adult learners across all areas; work to address the identified gap in adult literacy and numeracy support; and the scheduled publishing of the new Adult Learning Strategy in May.

Discussions took place around work to support new Scots and the existing refugee resettlement project on Bute. Rhona agreed to upload further statistical information in relation to the project to Basecamp following the meeting for the Group's information.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Rhona Grant, Team Leader – Community Learning Services, Live Argyll, submitted)

(c) Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau Update

The Group considered an update from Jen Broadhurst, Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau (CAB). The update highlighted an increased number of queries to the service, with a particular rise in queries relating to debt, specifically energy debt. It was noted that this had resulted in additional funding being obtained for the employment of a part-time energy debt specialist and to increase the debt support provided.

The update also included information relating to an increase in clients seeking support to avoid eviction following the confirmed resumption of face-to-face sessions by Her Majesty's Court & Tribunals Service; an increase in complex client issues and clients suffering from mental health concerns; attempts to seek funding to assist vulnerable clients; the commencement of the Spring 2022 Adviser Training Programme; an ongoing consultation exercise to review the work of the CAB; and research which had been carried out in relation to the private housing market across Argyll and Bute.

Jen encouraged partners to signpost anyone who may require support to the CAB and discussion took place around the ways in which the service could be accessed by those in rural communities. It was highlighted that the CAB would welcome any volunteers who may wish to undertake training to become an adviser.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Jen Broadhurst, Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau, submitted)

(d) **Community Development Officer - Shaping Places for Wellbeing Programme Update**

The Group considered an update from Ailie Law, Community Development Officer, on the Shaping Places for Wellbeing Programme. The update included information relating to the background and context of the Programme; the Programme's plan to initially support four project towns to identify and focus on reducing the inequalities being experienced; the support and learning opportunities available for those involved with the Programme; and the selection of Dunoon as one of the four project towns. Ailie noted that a representative from the Programme would be attending Group meetings in the future, and would be able to provide further progress updates.

Discussion took place around the ways in which organisations required to adapt to avoid disadvantaging those who struggled with the current systems. Ailie confirmed that the key to the project being successful would be partnership working, and these types of issues would be explored.

It was agreed that Ailie would facilitate a meeting between the local community Trusts to assist with networking opportunities.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Ailie Law, Community Development Officer, Argyll and Bute Council, submitted)

(e) **Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership - Public Health Update**

The Group considered a written Public Health update from Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership. The update highlighted the launch of the new Community Link Worker service and the progress of the Argyll and Bute Living Well Strategy. Information was also provided in relation to a report by the NHS Highland Director of Public Health, which investigated and provided recommendations in relation to ways to improve mental health and reduce suicide rates across the NHS Highland area.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group:

1. considered and noted the information provided; and
2. noted that in the absence of a representative from the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership, any questions would be forwarded to them for a

response following the meeting.

(Reference: Report by Jennifer Dryden, Health Improvement Lead, Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership, submitted)

(f) **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Update**

The Group considered a report by Barry Colvan highlighting the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service's (SFRS) FQ4 review of local performance across Bute and Cowal for the period 2021-22. The report included information around incidents during this period; recent community safety activity; and new smoke detector legislation.

Barry advised that there had been a recent supply issue with linked smoke detectors, however this was being addressed by the manufacturer. He also highlighted a local recruitment drive and the completion of training for two new recruits.

Councillor Blair praised Barry and his colleagues for their responsiveness to queries following recent incidents, and Barry confirmed that he would feed this back to the management team.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Barry Colvan, Watch Commander/Local Authority Liaison Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, submitted)

(g) **Department for Work and Pensions Update**

The Group considered an update from Department for Work and Pensions (DWP), which included statistical information on clients receiving Universal Credit and other benefits across the Argyll and Bute area, as well as information on various initiatives that the DWP were involved in.

The update highlighted progress with the Way to Work initiative to assist people in returning to work; support available to assist with increases in energy bills, the cost of living and childcare costs; changes to the amount of time that a claimant is able to seek work only within their preferred sector; changes to the rules for those with a terminal illness; a campaign to encourage those on tax credits to investigate the possibility of transferring to Universal Credit; the roll out of the new Adult Disability Payment (ADP); support available for those fleeing Ukraine; and new guidance available from the Money and Pensions Service.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group:

1. considered and noted the information provided; and
2. noted that in the absence of a representative from the Department for Work and Pensions, any questions would be forwarded to them for a response

following the meeting.

(Reference: Report by Elizabeth MacBrayne, Employer & Partnership Manager, Department for Work and Pensions, submitted)

(h) **Skills Development Scotland Update**

The Group considered an update from Skills Development Scotland (SDS) which included school leaver statistics for the 2020-21 period. The update also included a link to the Annual Participation Measures and information relating to current trends.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group:

1. considered and noted the information provided; and
2. noted that in the absence of a representative from Skills Development Scotland, any questions would be forwarded to them for a response following the meeting.

(Reference: Presentation by Susan MacRae, Area Manager, Skills Development Scotland, submitted)

(i) **Opportunity for verbal updates from Area Community Planning Group Partners**

Reeni Kennedy-Boyle, Fyne Futures

Reeni Kennedy-Boyle provided an update on their work as lead member of the Employability Partnership in redesigning how it operated. She advised that she hoped to strengthen partnership working with Live Argyll's Community Learning Service, to ensure that all partners were effectively working together to ensure the best use of resources.

Reeni also provided information in relation to work with Inspiralba on a successful employability pilot project for school leavers and those up to 24 years of age. She noted that, following the success of this pilot project, funding had been extended and it was hoped that the project could be replicated for those over 25 years of age who were classed as long-term unemployed.

Reeni advised of ongoing work around the No One Left Behind initiative, supporting people back to work through wage-based learning opportunities. She also outlined information regarding the successful Incredible Edible project; work with Live Argyll's Community Learning Service to support the adult learning cohort; and the employment of a full time volunteer co-ordinator.

7. COMMUNITY FOCUS

(a) **Police Scotland Fraud Discussion**

The Group considered a presentation by PC Laura Evans, Police Scotland. The presentation provided an overview of the work being undertaken by Police Scotland

to highlight and reduce incidents of fraud.

Background information was provided around fraud and the increase in incidences of fraud since the beginning of the Covid-19 pandemic. PC Evans also highlighted the impact that being a victim of fraud could have on individuals, and emphasised that anyone could be a victim of fraud.

PC Evans provided further information about the various methods that were being used by fraudsters; the work which was being undertaken by Police Scotland to combat the increase in fraud activity; and the ways in which partners could assist to prevent fraud within their local communities.

PC Evans encouraged people to sign up to Neighbourhood Watch Scotland and to complete the free training which was available. She confirmed that she would post links to these resources on the Group's Basecamp site following the meeting.

Attendees thanked PC Evans for a very informative presentation, and agreed to feedback this information to their respective organisations. PC Evans agreed to share printed leaflets on fraud prevention with any interested parties following the meeting.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Presentation by PC Laura Evans, Partnership Liaison Officer, Police Scotland, submitted)

8. CLIMATE CHANGE

(a) Minutes of the Climate Change Working Group meeting held on 17 February 2022

The minutes of a recent meeting of the Climate Change Working Group, held on 17 February 2022, were before the Group for noting and relevant discussion.

The Chair, as the Group's representative on the Climate Change Working Group, provided additional information in relation to the creation and implementation of governance structures for the Working Group. He noted that the Working Group were also in the process of gathering information from other areas on what was being done to combat climate change. The Chair advised that the Working Group were hoping to employ a Project Officer to take forward the development of a carbon zero strategy for Argyll and Bute, and encouraged any attendees who were aware of potential avenues of funding for this to get in touch with him.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group:

1. considered and noted the minutes of the Climate Change Working Group meeting held on 17 February 2022; and

2. considered and noted the additional information provided by the Chair as the Group's Climate Change Working Group representative.

(Reference: Minute of the Climate Change Working Group, held on 17 February 2022, submitted)

(b) Opportunity for updates on community based initiatives

Reeni Kennedy-Boyle advised that Fyne Future were an environmental charity, and a big part of their focus was on providing goods and services demonstrating a low carbon economy. She provided examples of their work, including the redistribution of just under 30,000kg of furniture within the community. She advised that there were gaps in the provision of this kind of service across Argyll and Bute, and they were keen to bolster provision and support initiatives in other areas where possible to avoid useful resources going to landfill.

Reeni also provided information on their electric bike scheme, and advised that they were supportive of more active travel activity in the area to reduce parking issues. She advised that 12,000 miles had been cycled on the 16 electric bikes and 1 wheelchair companion bike in the last year, and it was the first island-based community-run electric bike scheme in Scotland.

Reeni provided further information in relation to other projects, including the work of Bute Produce in growing and distributing green boxes; work with local organic beef producers; and continued work on other energy projects. She advised that their wind turbines had recently returned their first gift aid amount, and noted that she would be happy to discuss the process for this with any community groups who were considering embarking on their own energy projects.

Ann Campbell advised that Dunoon Community Development Trust were working with a new group of local volunteers on a food growing partnership, in conjunction with Kirm Primary School. She noted that an open day was being held on 7 May for anyone who may be interested in attending, and this would coincide with the school's Spring Fair.

Ann also provided information in relation to the Dunoon Bothy project, where e-bikes would be available for local community members to test, and noted that discussions were ongoing with partners around the theme of active travel. She noted that discussions were also taking place with Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust (ACT), following their successful ACT Now project in Lochgilphead.

PC Laura Evans advised that she would be happy to ask an officer to attend any events where active travel was being promoted, as the Police had bicycle marking kits which could be useful.

Alastair Moodie advised that the local community Facebook page was often used for recycling unwanted furniture. He noted that he would like to see a campaign to reduce household and food waste.

Discussion took place in relation to the implementation of electric vehicle charging points, and the barriers around this. It was agreed that a representative from the

Council's Roads and Infrastructure Services department, and a representative from SSE, would be invited to a future meeting of the Group to discuss this. The Chair also agreed to raise concerns about SSE's protocols regarding surveys for electric vehicle charging points with the Climate Change Working Group to try to progress a solution. Stuart McLean noted that a report in relation to electric vehicle charging points had been considered by the Council's Environment, Development and Infrastructure Committee in December and was available to view on the Council's website for anyone who may be interested.

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The Group noted that the next meeting of the Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group would take place on Tuesday, 16 August 2022 at 10am.

The Chair noted that this would be the last meeting of the Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group during the lifetime of the current Council. He thanked all Councillors for their support to the Group, and wished all those standing for election good luck. He gave particular thanks to Councillor Reid for his support to the Group, following his decision not to stand for re-election.

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Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership**Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group****16 August 2022**

Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee which was held on 22 June 2022. The briefing is for noting and relevant discussion.

Summary

The CPP Management Committee met on the 22nd June 2022 with the meeting being held virtually given the current restrictions in place and in line with the Council's current approach.

This update provides an overview of the discussion which took place.

Reports which were discussed at the meeting can be found here [Browse meetings - Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership - Management Committee - Argyll and Bute Council \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/argyll-and-bute-community-planning-partnership/management-committee)

Highlights**Matters Arising from Area Community Planning Groups**

- An update was provided on the discussions which had taken place at all 4 Area Community Planning Groups which had been held in April 2022. The meetings had been well attended with a variety of interesting presentations given.
- The Management Committee noted the current situation in regard to office bearer positions, noting that Alistair Moodie (Lochgoil Community Council) had been appointed as Vice-Chair to the Bute and Cowal Area CPG and that the MAKI Vice-Chair position remains vacant.

Shaping Places for Wellbeing

The Committee heard from Alex Wilde, Shaping Places for Wellbeing Project Lead - Dunoon. Alex is leading on the project which is one of six case study projects across Scotland that have been established by the Improvement Service with two-year funding from the World Health organisation.

It was noted that Alex will report to the Bute and Cowal ACPG, who will feedback on the project's progress to the Management Committee

Alex provided an update on her work so far. Alex started work on the project at the end of April and has been immersing herself in what is happening in Dunoon and across Argyll and Bute. She welcomed the generosity of all those who have shared their thoughts and ideas with. Alex aims to feed into health data collected by Public Health Scotland, looking at where there are public health inequalities and what opportunities there are for potential investments and small scale projects. The project will explore:

- How places can deliver on wellbeing
- How an approach to place can be further embedded
- What are the needs and opportunities
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Themes arising so far include: mental health; addictions; skills and employment; leisure; people transitioning from school to work; and people transitioning from work to retirement. Key groups identified so far include: carers; and women and children.

It was agreed that partners should get in touch with Alex with suggestions of people she should be liaising with.

Cross Cutting Themes

Climate Change

Ross McLaughlin presented on the report, noting that the Climate Change Working Group had been exploring the opportunities available to take forward a Project Manager or similar post to create a strategy for climate change with an Argyll and Bute wide approach at a total cost of around £120k over two years. It was proposed that the post should be hosted by third sector partner, ACT for day-to-day management, with project governance being provided by a Steering Group of members from the Climate Change working group. It was estimated that the post would require funding support of £60,000 per year, for a minimum of two years and that the majority of this funding would likely be sought from external sources.

The Management Committee agreed to the following recommendations: (1) that a Project Manager post be created with this proposed management / governance structure of partnership working presented in the paper; and (2) that resources of around £120,000 should be sought to fund the post and its associated costs.

Child Poverty

Mandy Sheridan provided an update on this theme with it being noted that:-

- the Child Poverty Action Plan is in hand and will be ready by the end of August.
- 220 partnership staff and elected members attended the recent poverty awareness events.
- The Scottish Government has produced the Bright Starts Delivery Plan highlighting the importance of place.
- Workshops have been held on Child Poverty Data and Intelligence in Remote and Rural Areas, looking at difficulties and solutions in this area.
- Cost of living and inflation increase will make achieving the targets challenging.
- The Scottish Government's first target date for working towards alleviating child poverty is 2023 with the following target set for 2030.
- Argyll and Bute Council's Anti-Poverty Strategy and Children's Rights Plans reach the end of their plan periods next year. Local Authorities have adopted different strategies including combining both plans.

Financial Inclusion

Fergus Walker provided an update which noted:-

- The number of applications for crisis grants and the resulting spend has reduced compared with last year. It is expected that the cost of living crisis will result in an increase in applications.
- The Flexible Food Fund (information found here: [Flexible Food Fund Application Form \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](#)) has extended its contract to include fuel and poverty advice. There will be a need for education around eligibility criteria.
- Poverty awareness training has been delivered to 220 staff and has received good feedback. Key themes identified as areas of work required to address poverty included:
 - Investment in employment opportunities and progression
 - Tackling poverty stigma
 - Public Transport access
 - Health and Care services
 - Childcare
 - Further Education opportunities
 - Opportunities for young people staying in the area
 - Affordable housing

The Poverty Alliance will also deliver two further training sessions for elected members.

- School clothing re-use projects are being introduced across Argyll & Bute. These emphasise the re-use and recycling of school uniforms. This is being rolled out area by area. Now established in Helensburgh and Campbeltown and are working well. The next will be Rothesay and Dunoon. The intention is to expand across the islands, MAKI and OLI areas by the end of the year.

Digital

Nicola Hackett reported that the Community Learning and Development Partnership (CLD) had identified that a new working group dedicated to the cross cutting theme of Digital Communities was needed to take work forward. This has been established and the group's terms of reference (TOR) have been agreed. Hall Aitken has been commissioned to look at mapping existing provision, volunteers, venues, training needs and connectivity to enable the CLD Digital Skills Plan to be progressed. The project group will also engage with education and other work streams, to identify barriers then look at how to tackle these with interventions and actions implemented with further funding sought as required.

Melissa Dundas outlined the bid for Islands' Infrastructure Funding which proposes to enable 4 pilot village halls (Iona, Coll, Tiree and Islay) to benefit from ICT equipment and establish digital hubs. If the funding bid is successful, the project will support community empowerment, increase digital inclusion, enable business use and recreation and facilitate Near Me clinics. The project will also support 9 of the 13 strategic objectives in the Islands Plan. The project intends to appoint Digital Champions in each community and it is hoped that it will act as a pilot for expanding the concept to other islands and rural mainland locations. Melissa expects to receive notification of the outcome of this funding bid by early August. March 2023 is the deadline for the project's delivery.

Building Back Better (Communities)

Rona Gold reported that Ann Loughrey has been appointed to an 18-month fixed-term position of Building Back Better (Communities) Worker, jointly funded by Third Sector Interface (TSI) and Argyll and Bute Council. The post was created with the aim of engaging with community groups in recognition of the issues they may now be facing because of the COVID 19 pandemic. Ann will be reviewing the support needed to ensure that volunteering activities are sustainable. She will also be conducting an evaluation of a micro grant fund for village halls and exploring ongoing needs.

Outcome 6: Community Safety Partnership – 2021/22 Progress Update

Laura Evans presented the following report: [Update: Outcome 6 – People Live in Safer and Stronger Communities](#).

Highlights included:

- Graphic Mind Map showing challenges, achievements and activities over the year 2021/22

Priority 1 – We live in a safe and positive community

- Making sure victims of domestic abuse could reach out for support.
- Signposting information was circulated through Living Well Networks and holiday accommodation providers. This will continue and expand next year to include any small business.

Priority 2 – We encourage safer road and water use

- The Argyll and Bute Partnership Approach to Water Safety (PAWS) group was established.
- A water safety education package was created and circulated.
- Improved water safety signage was designed and installed.
- The focus will now move towards road safety, supporting elderly drivers and working with local transport groups.

Priority 4 – Our vulnerable groups are supported and included

- More than 700 people have received face to face delivery of fraud prevention support.
- The group is seeking to secure more funding for call blockers.

Upcoming CPP Work

Rona Gold introduced two new members of the Community Planning team: John McLuckie, who will join on 11th July as Partnerships Lead (Community Planning); and Lucy Dunbar, who has recently taken up the post of Community Planning Officer. John will be looking at how best to identify outcomes for the next Argyll and Bute Outcome Improvement Plan (ABOIP). As part of her work, Lucy will support the Community Wealth Building Working Group to map related partner activities.

Annual Report

Rona Gold informed partners that Lucy will be in touch over the next few weeks to begin gathering case studies and other information for the Annual Report.

Working towards a revision of the Argyll and Bute Outcome Improvement Plan (ABOIP)

It was noted that the end date of the current ABOIP is March 2023. As a ten year plan, the document has helped set direction but unforeseen events have arisen during those ten years leading to the need for reflection on whether this is still the best direction to follow. Rona Gold had presented a 2-year plan for conducting this review including extensive engagement, to the CPP in December 2019, however the pandemic seriously affected implementation.

A detailed plan outlining how information will be gathered to review the existing, and create the next ten-year Outcome Improvement Plan will be brought to the September Management Committee meeting, with a view to engaging with communities during September and October. Rona proposed that the next 10-year plan may be less text-heavy and would likely include a review of progress on priorities after 3 years.

It was agreed that all partners should notify Rona of any community engagement activities planned for the September-October period to enable collaboration where possible.

The importance of the Community Planning Partnership in the Argyll and Bute area, and the requirement to be clear on the specific priorities for the new ABOIP to align with partner plans and strategies and with well-coordinated consultation was highlighted. It was also noted that the new plan needs to be understood by communities in plain English and local community plans also need to be recognised. It was also noted that the Council would be setting its political priorities at the Council meeting in September.

MSYP Update

Ryan MacIntyre reported that the 160 Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament will be meeting next week in Cumbernauld to set their priorities for the next two years. The motion to be brought forward by the Argyll and Bute Members is for the provision of study rooms for senior secondary school pupils. The recent Scottish Youth Parliament priorities debate included discussion on drugs misuse, educational attainment, the right to food and the climate emergency.

The Argyll and Bute MSYPs plan a roadshow to tour the secondary schools in Argyll and Bute in August to establish contacts and ensure young people are represented and have their priorities identified. Information on the roadshows will be shared on their Instagram and Facebook pages.

Levelling Up Fund Overview

Fergus Murray reported that the Council is preparing two bids for the Levelling Up Fund. There will be a bid for up to £20m for regeneration work which will include investment in Rothesay Town Centre around the former Royal Hotel and Guildford Square and around Dunoon Pier, which could tie in with the Shaping Places for Wellbeing - Dunoon Project.

There will also be a bid for up to £50m which will focus on transportation and infrastructure. One of the aims is to improve transport connections to Islay and Jura, specifically to unlock the potential of the spirit industry, including the provision of a low-carbon Jura Ferry. Road improvements and active travel routes are also proposed for Port Askaig. A further aim is to provide a secondary entrance to Dunbeg as part of the Dunbeg corridor with a new commercial area and additional housing. The bid also requests funding for improvements to the Tobermory – Salen road, a green fuelling station in Oban and development of the UAV Hub at Oban Airport.

Outcome 1

Argyll and Bute Employability Partnership (ABEP)

Ishabel Bremner presented a report, which can be found in full here: [Employability Partnership Delivery Plan, 2022-25](#).

Ishabel reported that the delivery plan had been created to focus on service delivery requirements and approaches, plus employability interventions for vulnerable residents and communities. The Scottish Government is seeking finalised delivery plans by June 30th. ABEP will provide bi-annual updates to the CPP MC with regard to the new delivery plan.

AOCB

The Chair offered congratulations to PC Stephen Tanner on Tiree, who had been awarded the Queen's Police Medal and to John Fraser on Coll, who had been awarded the Queen's Fire Service Medal.

Scottish Government Place Directors

Rona Gold reported that the Scottish Government had created a role description for proposed Place Director positions. A Scottish Government Civil Servant would be appointed to the role and will join the CPP.

Feedback on Digital Meeting Platform for CPP

It was agreed that the CPP Team would circulate a short survey to capture the feedback of everyone on meeting format and preferences.

For further information, please contact:

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POILEAS ALBA**Argyll and Bute****Bute and Cowal - Area Community Planning Group
Partner Update – Police Scotland****Resourcing**

One new probationer has arrived in Dunoon in the past month, with 2 additional probationary Officers scheduled to arrive in October. The long standing Policing Presence at Stronafian has now concluded, all of which will have a positive impact on resources.

Rothesay is due to welcome PC Max Hitchings on the 17th of August from P Division (Fife) on secondment, as PC David Gordon departs for P Division. Currently PC Joseph Malarkey is at the SPC receiving his initial training and will join the Rothesay Team in a few months' time on Group 1.

Our Policing Division has moved towards a new response Inspector model – which in turn has led to Sergeant Chris Dibbs being temporarily promoted to Inspector at Rothesay.

Together with colleagues across Argyll work is being undertaken to recruit staff into the remote areas of the division (Inc. Rothesay) and a working group currently exists around recruitment and retention.

Local Events

Police have recently attended the Lochgoilhead Gala and in the next month expecting to attend Sandbank and Kirn Gala's and any other we are made aware of.

The main or largest event in August will be the Cowal Highland Gathering with the planning of policing the event well under way. As usual it will be policed by local officers and mutual aid from other offices in Argyll and other divisions.

'Butefest' proved to be a policing success with public safety maintained with security staff and no arrests. The event was supported by an officer from our Special Constabulary.

The 20th of August sees the Bute Highland Games return to the island. A policing plan is already in place and Rothesay staff will be supported by the Special Constabulary and resources from the mainland.

Ongoing Work of Note

The Old Academy at Rothesay continues to present a challenge in terms of ASB and Fire/Health & Safety. A meeting was convened by T/PI Dibbs and involved local Councillors, Fyne Homes, HIE, and the Fire Service. Representations have been

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made to A&B Council, particularly with reference Fire Safety and a survey is due to take place where an assessment will be made on whether fire loading can be reduced at the school in a safe manner. A&B have commissioned a consultative process regards the Academy and will be seeking views from those with a vested interest in due course. Police patrols have been increased to the locus and T/PI Dibbs worked with the Isle of Bute Newspaper last week, releasing an article appealing to the community to stay away from the locus.

Calls to the 3 in 1 Takeaway, Argyle Street, Rothesay appear to have dropped in recent times, following an increased police presence at relevant times. This was following a number of concerns raised directly with police and at our Local Community Council Meeting.

Keep Safe – Ukrainian Support

Updates have been provided previously around the Keep Safe initiative, which operates throughout Scotland with Argyll and Bute having over 50 Keep Safe Places throughout its communities. Keep Safe was designed with disable people however it can be used by anyone who feels lost, scared or vulnerable when out in the community. Ukrainian translated Keep Safe materials have been shared with all Keep Safe places and key contacts through the Violence Against Women and Girls Partnership to enable people from Ukraine to be aware and be able to access Keep Safe places if they feel vulnerable when in our communities.

Картка Keep Safe

У цій брошурі розповідається, як заповнити картку Keep Safe.

Нею можна скористатися, якщо ви загубилися, занепокоєні або вам потрібна допомога. Ви можете показати її поліції або в будь-якому місці, яке позначене написом **Keep Safe**.

My name is _____
← Обов'язково впишіть тут своє повне ім'я.

Things you need to know about me and my health
← У цьому розділі вам необхідно записати всю інформацію про здоров'я, яку, можливо, потрібно знати іншим людям, аби вони могли надати вам допомогу.

How I communicate
← Напишіть усе, що, як ви вважаєте, допоможе людям вислухати вас або зрозуміти, що ви хочете сказати.

Any other details

Картка Keep Safe

People who can help me

Name _____
Number _____

Name _____
Number _____

Name _____
Number _____

In a non emergency call the police on **101**

In an emergency call the police on **999**

Police Scotland
www.scotland.police.uk
I Am Me
www.iammescotland.co.uk

← У цьому розділі вам слід написати імена та телефонні номери людей, які зможуть допомогти вам залишатися в безпеці, тобто **Keep Safe**. Цими людьми можуть бути:

- родич або друг;
- особа, яка забезпечує догляд, або помічник;
- особа, яка вас добре знає.

Два номери, які тут зазначені, це **101** для використання в неекстренних ситуаціях та **999** для екстрених ситуацій.

У цьому розділі наведені адреси веб-сайтів поліції Шотландії та I Am Me, де можна отримати докладнішу інформацію про **Keep Safe** та злочини на ґрунті ненависті.

Якщо вам потрібно замінити картку, перейдіть на веб-сайт www.iammescotland.co.uk

Doorstep Crime Guidance

A newly established partnership agreement between Police Scotland, Argyll Community Housing Association (ACHA) and Argyll and Bute Council Trading Standards provides a more robust process for reporting and identifying those who carry out doorstep crimes such as fraud and consumer protection offences. When

Police Scotland and Argyll and Bute Council Trading Standards are contacted by the public and notified of an incident where criminals have purported to carry out works such as driveway and roofing repairs, professional trade's people from ACHA will now attend and provide an independent assessment of the work carried out.



This will provide Police Scotland and Argyll and Bute Council Trading Standards a clearer ability to determine if any crime has taken place and if so what charges are relevant. This process has been used in the Dunoon area recently.

Road Safety

On Monday 6th June 2022, officers from Argyll and Dunbartonshire Roads Policing Unit, Mounted Branch and the Community Engagement Team carried out Operation Close Pass and Lose the Blinkers in Dunoon. Both are designed to increase road safety by highlighting to drivers the importance of their speed and passing distances in relation to other more vulnerable road users.

On Thursday 28th July 2022, officers from the Roads Policing Unit and Community Engagement Team held a Facebook Live Q&A in relation to motorcycle safety as Bute and Cowal are popular areas not only for resident motorcyclists but also visitors to the area, particularly in summer. This was the first Facebook Q&A live session held in this manner with 21 comments of engagement which was well received.

On Sunday 7th August 2022, the Drive Scot Free Event will be held at Dunoon Grammar School. This includes a number of assessors from the Institute of Advanced Motorists attending to offer free driving inputs including driving licence legislation, eye sight tests, manoeuvrability sessions as well as an assessment drive. Local support for this has been appreciated with Morrison's, Shearwater Marine Services, Western Ferries and Argyll and Bute Council providing donations to enable

the event to run. The event has been promoted on Social Media, Dunoon Observer as well as a number of posters and leaflets delivered to petrol stations, cafes, opticians and GP practices. The event is open for everyone.



Youth Engagement

In response to increasing demand for positive engagement with children and young people across Cowal, Bute and Helensburgh, an additional Youth Engagement Officer post has been created to service Bute and Rothesay to supplement PC Mark Toner who will now be based solely in Helensburgh. This additional capacity will allow us focus on re-establishing previously successful Police Scotland Youth Volunteer Groups and to work more closely with Care Experienced Young people to deliver on our responsibilities as a corporate parent. We are looking at opportunities to learn from Glasgow's implementation of the 'Respect' Programme and options to utilise our Youth Engagement Officers to deliver against the outcomes and provide support and reduce harms for Care Experienced Young People.

Suicide Prevention

We are delighted that the Friendship Benches for Cowal have either been installed or are now ready to be affixed. The Friendship Benches have been provided through funding and partnership work with Ardentinnny, Sandbank, Lochgoilhead and Strachur Community Councils, Argyll and Bute Council, Dunoon Mens Shed, the Corra Foundation and Bute Sign and Graphics and provide a place for people to sit and enjoy their area, but also support numbers on the sign provided on the bench for Samaritans, Breathing Space and Shout and we would encourage people to ask anyone sitting there "are you ok" as a way to reduce isolation and loneliness often leading to poor mental health.

Your Police Survey

Police Scotland has continued to meet the needs of our communities during a demanding and difficult period for the people of Scotland. Understanding the views

and priorities of Scotland's diverse communities is fundamental to how Police Scotland responds to the needs of the public. Our public engagement activities help us improve how we deliver our policing services in local communities, ensuring they are accessible for everyone. This survey will help us improve how we deliver policing services in your area.

Our Annual Police Plan sets out what we will do to keep our communities safe. It has been developed using your responses to last year's survey – along with focus groups, workshops and other ways we listen to you. The survey is designed to be completed online – you can visit consult.scotland.police.uk

What happens with what you tell us?

It is vital that we listen, understand, and take action using your views and experiences. Our Annual Police Plan 2022/23 sets out what we will do to keep our communities safe and this has been developed using your responses to last year's survey, along with focus groups, workshops and other ways we listen to communities.

Complete the survey in a different way

A British Sign Language version of this survey is available at <https://consult.scotland.police.uk/strategy-insight-and-innovation/bsl-version-your-police-2022-2023>. You may find this version easier if you use BSL to communicate. Please let us know if you want to complete the survey in a different way (for example, over the phone): InsightEngagement@scotland.pnn.police.uk.

Your response is anonymous and you will not be identified through the information you provide unless you choose to identify yourself in your responses.

If you are a young person aged 12-25, there is more information about how to claim your 150 Rewards points shown after you submit your response. Not a Member yet? Go to young.scot to sign up.



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FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE**
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Bute, Cowal and Dunoon CPG Briefing Report

Q1 2022/23

Performance & Activity Report

From:	1st April 2022	To:	30th June 2022
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Introduction

Welcome to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Community Board Performance Report. This performance report is designed to provide citizens, stakeholders and partners with information relating to Community Board based activity undertaken by the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

Whilst using historic statistical benchmarking data, consideration must be taken of the somewhat random nature of fire related incidents and events, and how this can pose difficulties in interpreting emerging patterns and trends. This is of specific relevance where Community Board level data is analysed due to the relatively small number of actual incidents/events that occur in Community Board areas.

However, regardless of statistical anomalies, emerging patterns and trends in fire related incidents and events can assist the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service and Community Planning Partners plan and implement preventative intervention initiatives to target reducing fire related incidents and events.

Local Firefighter Training Plan

Below is a list of subjects the operational crews have been focusing on within this period. Each subject has been covered both practically and theoretically and recorded in the Fire Service Training recording system.

	April	May	June
Training Subjects	BA & CFBT	RTC & Extrication	Hazmat
	TacVent	Casualty Care	Refuse & Wildfire

Accidental Dwelling Fires (ADF)

Ward	3 Year Average	2021/22	2022/23
Isle of Bute	1.6	3	0
Cowal	2.6	4	2
Dunoon	1	1	0
Community Board Total	5.3	8	2

ADF Casualties

Ward	3 Year Average	2021/22	2022/23
Isle of Bute	0	0	0
Cowal	0	0	0
Dunoon	0.3	0	0
Community Board Total	0.3	0	0

Deliberate Secondary Fire Setting

Ward	3 Year Average	2021/22	2022/23
Isle of Bute	3.6	4	5
Cowal	1	2	1
Dunoon	2.6	5	1
Community Board Total	7.3	11	7

Fires in Non-Domestic Property

Ward	3 Year Average	2021/22	2022/23
Isle of Bute	0.6	1	1
Cowal	1	0	1
Dunoon	0.3	0	0
Community Board Total	2	1	2

Casualties from Non-Fire Emergencies

Ward	3 Year Average	2021/22	2022/23
Isle of Bute	0.6	0	1
Cowal	1.6	0	5
Dunoon	1.6	1	4
Community Board Total	4	1	10

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals

Ward	3 Year Average	2021/22	2022/23
Isle of Bute	13.6	14	15
Cowal	6.3	5	12
Dunoon	9.3	8	14
Community Board Total	22.6	27	41

Incidents/Activities of Note

Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals (UFAS)

We are continually working with partners and targeting our top offenders which are Education including Infant/Primary/Secondary Schools, and Residential/Care Homes.

A new UFAS Policy is currently being devised by SFRS with an aim at reducing UFAS Incidents further. Regrettably there is no timescale identified for completion of this

Road & Water Safety campaigns

We have also identified the need for further Road safety awareness, not only to residents, but also those visiting the area with partnership working alongside Police Scotland and Argyll & Bute Council.

Our Community Advocates and operation crews have been assisting the PAWS group in delivering Water safety advice and training

Community Engagement Activities

- Post Domestic Incident Response (PDIR)
- Fire, Water & Road Safety Talks –Presentations into schools with practical demonstrations and interactive scenario floorboards.
- Continue to deliver Fire Safety advice via telephone and provision of smoke detection where none is fitted. HFSV's are carried out where there is a threat of fire from criminal activity.
- Represented on the MARAC for those affected by domestic Violence.
- Continue to support "Make the Call" Campaign and "On Call" recruitment drive for retained and volunteer stations.
- Support and assist Police Scotland with Call blockers training and fitting of units.
- Supporting PAWS group and engaging with the public, #RESPECTTHEWATER campaign.
- Online training for partners with risk awareness within the training via MS Teams.
- Engaging with communities for Summer TAP safety advice.

Home Fire Safety

As part of our commitment to building a safer Scotland we offer everyone in Scotland a free home fire safety visit. We'll help you sort out a fire escape plan and provide information about smoke, heat and carbon monoxide alarms.

For a Free Home Fire Safety Visit, please:

- call [0800 0731 999](tel:0800 0731 999)
- text "FIRE" to 80800 from your mobile phone.

Twitter link: <https://twitter.com/abewdhq>

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High Street, Rothesay
Isle of Bute
PA20 9JH

UHI Argyll – Rothesay: Update for Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group

02.08.2022

UHI Argyll in Rothesay offers courses from entry level through to post graduate level.

During this coming academic session, we have students preparing to study the following courses:

- NC and HNC Horticulture
- Access to Nursing (Scottish Wider Access Programme)
- NC Early Education and Childcare
- HNC Childhood Practice
- HNC Social Science
- NC Computing with Digital Media
- BAH Child and Youth Studies
- BAH Childhood Practice.

We also offer SVQ courses at various levels, and this year we will have students studying Social Services and Healthcare, and Social Services - Children and Young People.

For secondary school students at Rothesay Academy, we have students studying the following Skills for Work courses:

Sport and Recreation; Early Education and Childcare; Health Sector Skills.

School pupils will also be studying networked courses with us, such as Higher Psychology, Sociology; NPA courses; PDA courses or Foundation Apprenticeships.

We also offer NQ courses to the wider community:

National 5 English, Mathematics, Application of Mathematics.

Higher English, Mathematics.

The Rothesay staff have been working with the SAWA project: a partnership involving Argyll and Bute Council, Live Argyll, Mount Stuart and UHI Argyll. We are running a vocational qualification in horticulture with preparation for employment skills for New Scots. Students will be tutored alongside volunteers at Mount Stuart gardens and will begin their practical horticulture unit later this month.

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Argyll & Bute Citizens Advice Bureau Community Planning Update August 2022



The Bureau has been extremely busy over the last few months seeing an unprecedented rise in requests for advice and support from clients across all areas of Argyll & Bute.

We celebrated our 20th Anniversary in May at a small event for staff, volunteers and invited guests, where we recognised the contribution the Bureau has made over those 20 years to the 93,000 clients and increasing the local economy by approx. £12 million. This year is already demonstrating a similar benefit with us securing £1.1 million in client financial gain for around 1100 clients.

The costs of living crisis has pushed our energy enquiries up by 89% between September and July compared to the same period the previous year. And the bureau has been working very hard to reduce waiting times which are currently sitting at approximately 6 weeks for non-urgent cases. Our case numbers overall have increased by 31%.

We have relocated in Helensburgh to the Helensburgh Community Hub 116 East Princes Street, Helensburgh G84 7DQ and are looking forward to better partner collaborations with other organisations located in the Hub.

Our Volunteer Adviser training Programme recommences in September, more information is on our website www.abcab.org.uk and application packs are available for interested trainees from info@abcab.org.uk

We have been attending local events, highland games and local shows over the last few months and engaged with the council's welcome Ukrainian Refugee events in Dunoon and Oban recently. If partners are aware of local events that they think would benefit with the attendance of our selves they are asked to let us know by emailing info@abcab.org.uk

The Bureau will hold our A.G.M on the 22nd Nov and invite partners to join the Bureau as a member to help shape the strategic direction and future work of the Bureau. (an application is attached)



Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau

APPLICATION FOR MEMBERSHIP

Under the Memorandum and Articles of the Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau you are required to become a member in order to be able to vote at the Annual General Meeting.

I, NAME _____ (Block capitals)

ADDRESS _____ (Block capitals)

Post code _____

Signed _____

Date _____

wish to be registered as a member of Argyll & Bute Citizens Advice Bureau, a Company Limited by Guarantee and not having a share capital, under the following category.

(Please tick appropriate box below)



A) "LOCAL RESIDENT MEMBER" - open to any individual (aged 16 or over) who resides in the Operating Area of Argyll & Bute.

B) "LOCAL GROUP MEMBER" - open to any individual who is nominated for membership by a voluntary, statutory or other organisation or body operating within the Operating Area or by a department of a statutory organisation or other body operating within the Operating Area.

C) "VOLUNTEER WORKER MEMBER" - open to any individual who is a member of the volunteer staff of the bureau

Shaping Places for Wellbeing Programme

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Ambitions and aims of the programme



Public Health Scotland and the Improvement Service are working to

Improve Scotland's wellbeing by reducing the significant inequality in the health of its people while addressing the health of our planet

achieved through 3 activities...



Local Project Work



Local Learning Cohort



National Leadership Cohort

to find new ways of working between national and local levels which will...

Create systems change in local processes to deliver on the Place and Wellbeing Outcomes



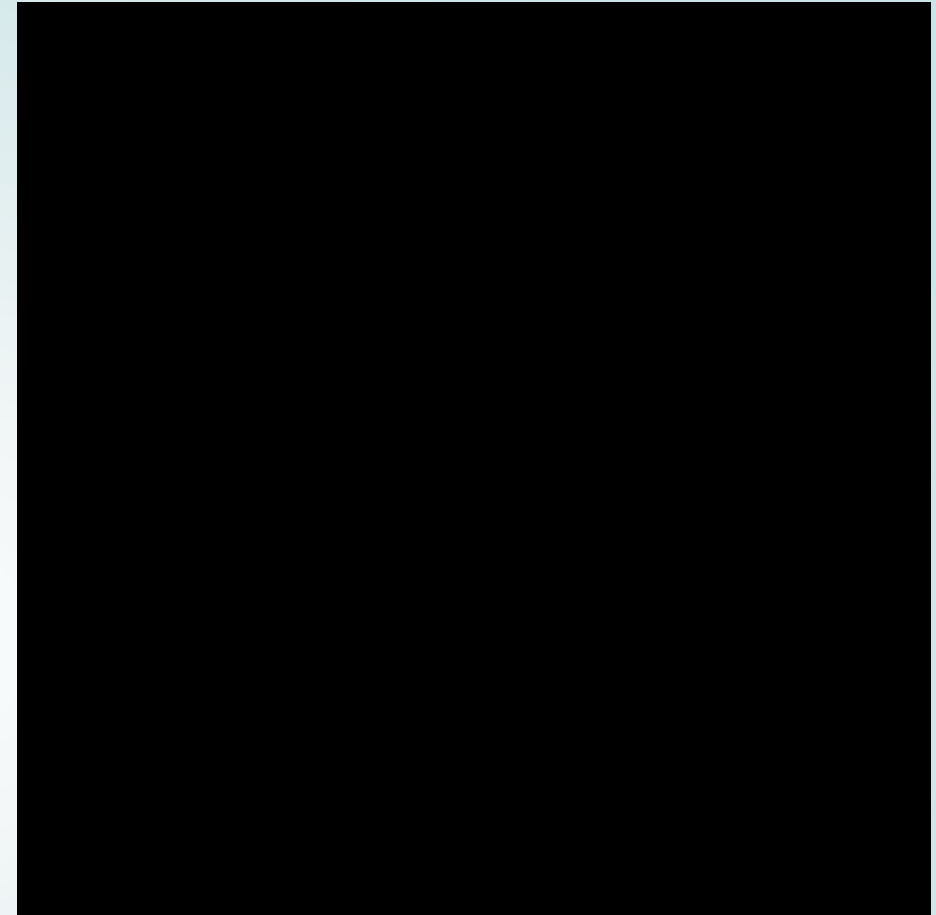
Shaping Places for Wellbeing

- What is "place"?
- Place and Wellbeing Outcomes
- What are we doing?
 - Dunoon Project town activity



What is place?

- Every place is a different blend of **physical, social and economic** characteristics and needs that interact and influence each other.
- **Place-based working** requires a joint working, collaborative approach that takes account of the unique blend of characteristics that exist in every place to identify and maximise the positive impact of any unintended consequences of our actions.
- We need to work together and coordinate our actions to ensure they contribute to a **'triple win' of enhancing the wellbeing of our planet and our people and creating greater equity**



Place and Wellbeing Outcomes - Themes

- Focus on what every place needs to enable wellbeing of people and planet.
- Deliver consistency, clarity, confidence and collaboration
- Embed in policy & action to deliver such places.
- The principles of equality, net-zero emissions and sustainability underpin all of these themes.



Place and Wellbeing Outcomes: Example detail



Active travel

Everyone can:

- easily move around using good-quality, accessible, well-maintained and safe segregated wheeling, walking and cycling routes and access secure bike parking.
- wheel, walk and cycle through routes that connect homes, destinations and public transport, are segregated from, and prioritised above, motorised traffic and are part of a local green network.



Place and Wellbeing Outcomes: Example evidence



Active travel improves health by increasing physical activity, weight loss and reducing obesity



Public transport improves access to services and facilities and connects communities

Movement

Public transport
Active travel
Traffic and parking



Some people can find it necessary to purchase a car even when they cannot afford it which can lead to further debt



Public transport reduces carbon emissions



Place and Wellbeing Outcomes - Who developed them?

Spatial Planning, Health and Wellbeing Collaborative

Improvement
Service

Public Health
Scotland

Edinburgh
University

COSLA

Heads of
Planning
Scotland



Health
Improvement
Managers

Directors of
Public Health

Shared ambition to improve the places where we live, work and relax in



Links to National policy and approaches

Key policy

Sustainable Development Goals (SDG)

National Outcomes Framework

Covid Recovery Strategy

Public Health Priorities

Net zero emissions targets

A New Future for Scotland's Towns

20 minute neighbourhoods

Key approaches

Christie Commission

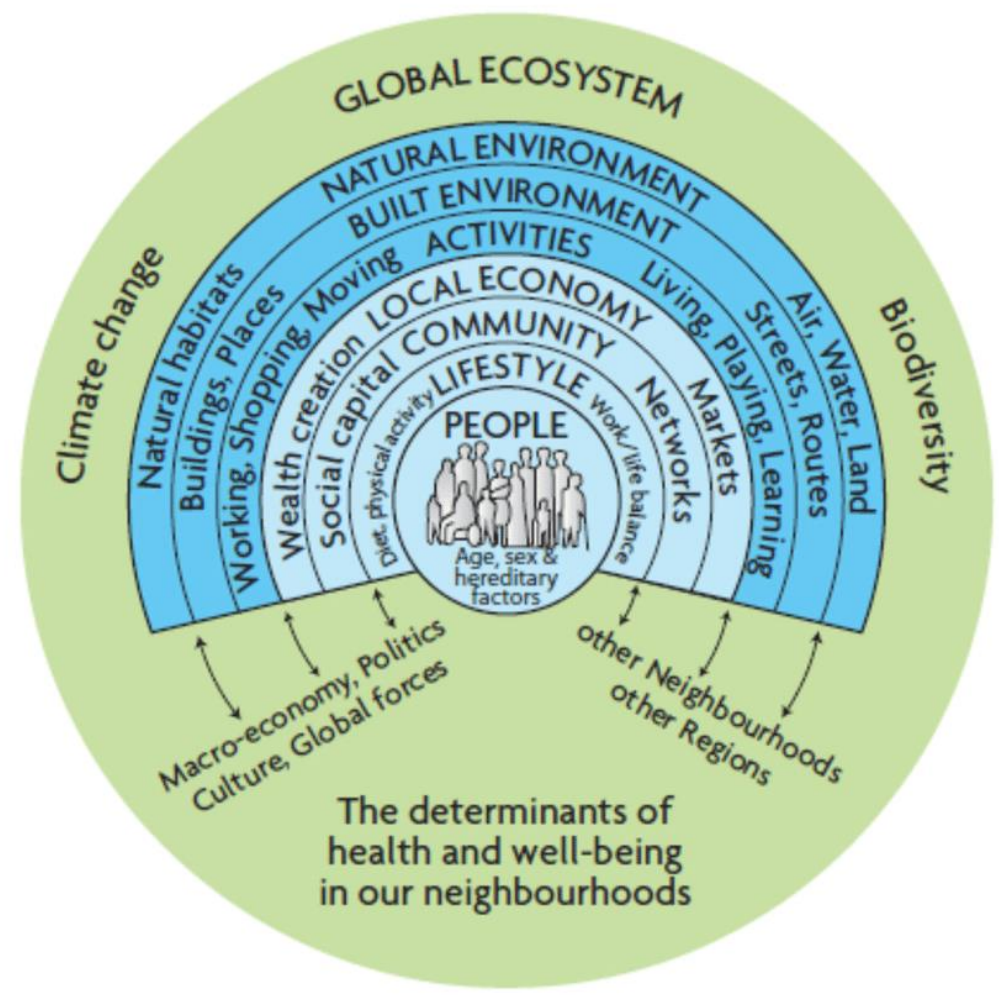
Place Principle

Place & Wellbeing Outcomes

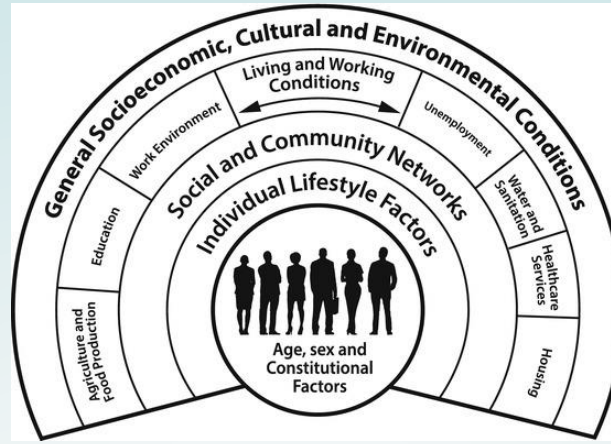


Place and Wellbeing Outcomes context

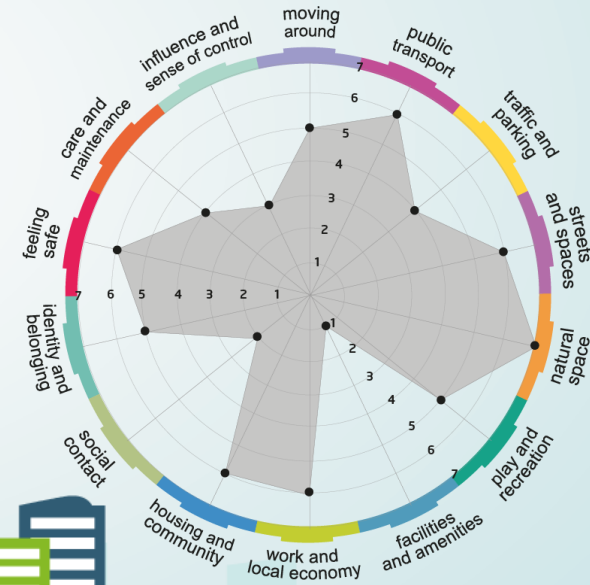
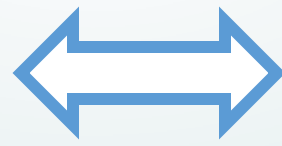
- The outcomes are rooted in the Christie Commission pillars of **People, Prevention, Partnership**
- The outcomes are related to the social determinants of health. The Impacts of where we live, work and relax



Our shared ambition



Outcomes we want to achieve



Tool to enable conversations



Programme activities



Project Towns:

- Alloa
- Ayr
- Clydebank
- Dunoon
- Rutherglen
- Fraserburgh

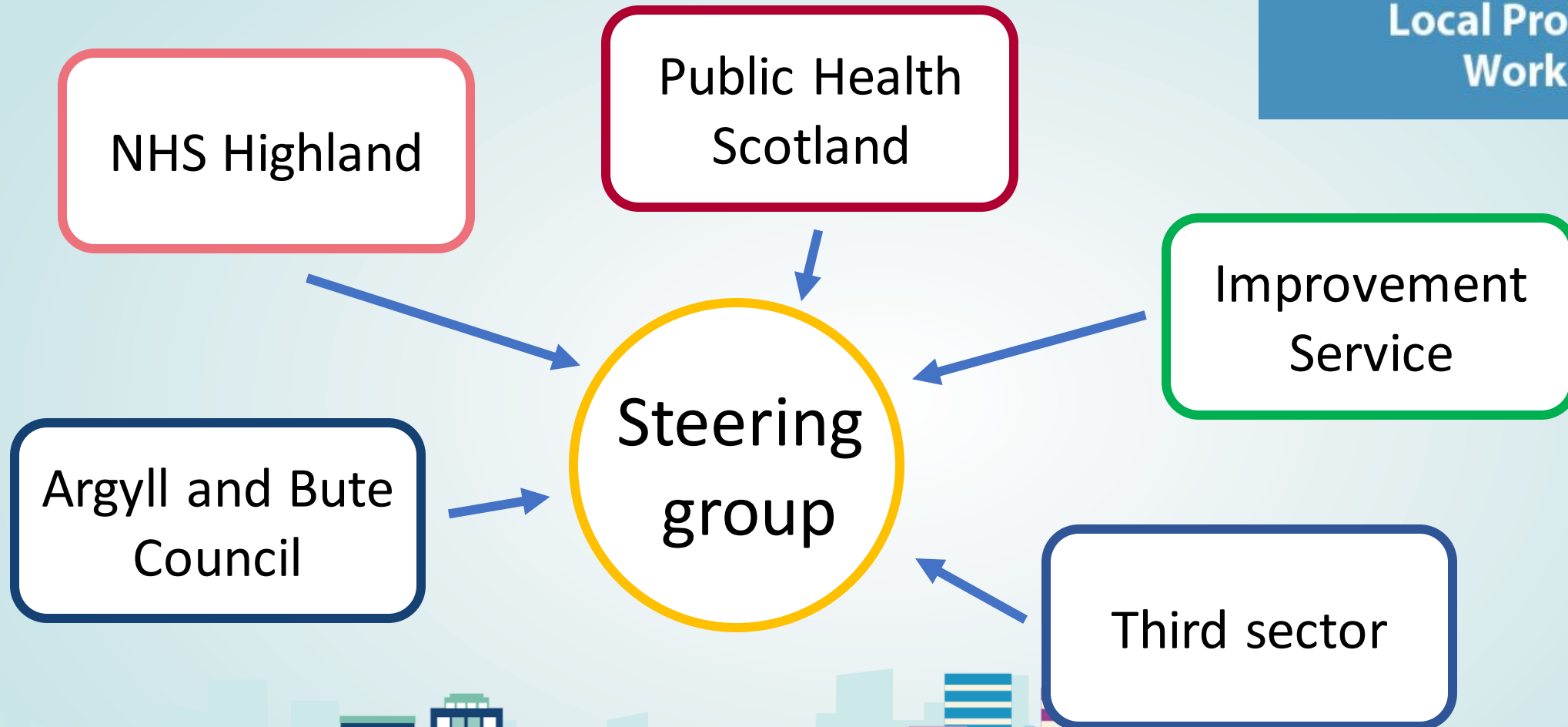


- Representatives from:**
- Scottish Govt Directorates
 - All COSLA Boards
 - Public Health Scotland
 - Improvement Service
 - Health Foundation

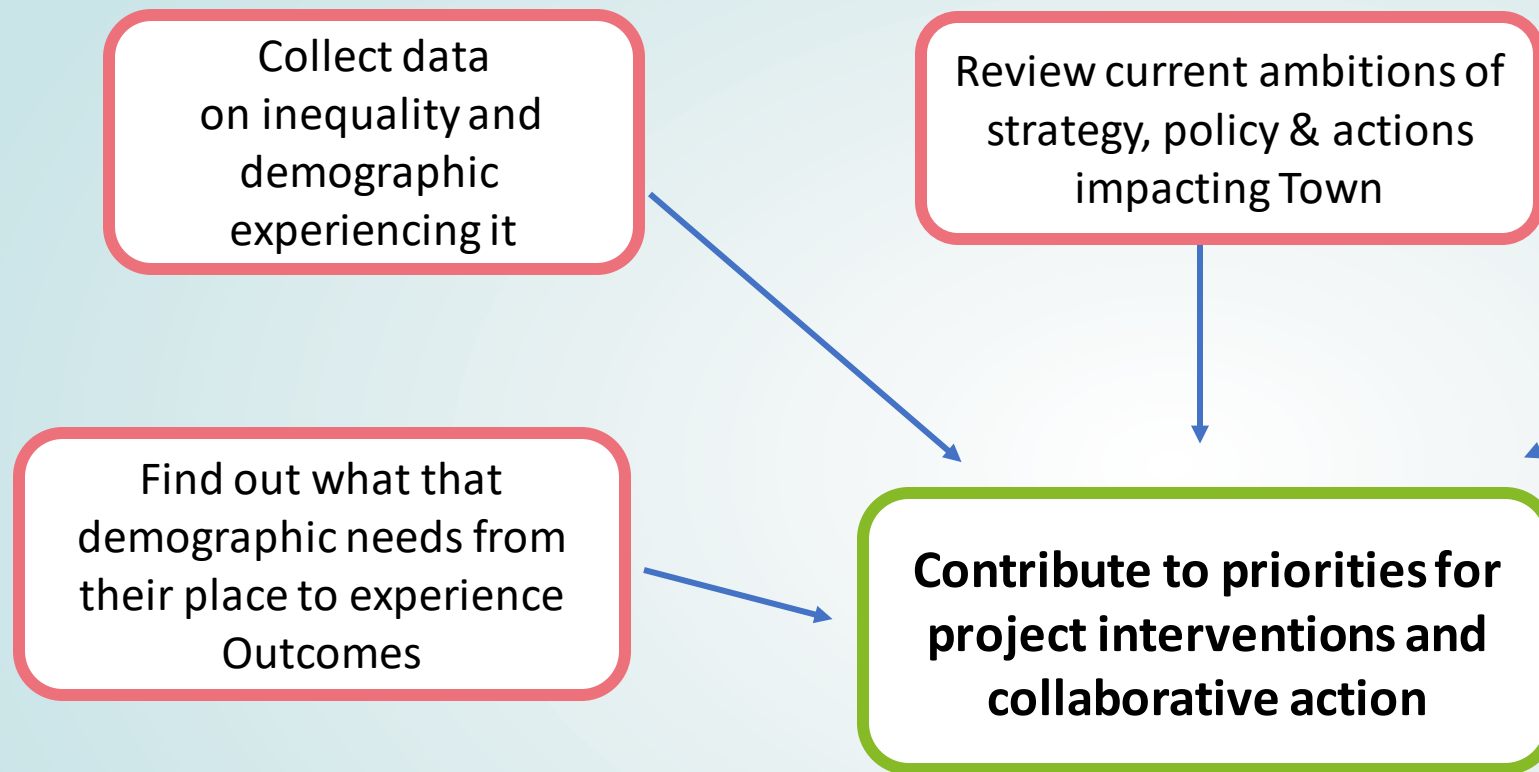
Project Towns and Learning Partners



Local Project Work



Local Project Town Activity



Project Town Activity - Review of strategy and policy

Identify current ambitions of strategy, policy & plans impacting Town
(Project Lead)

Highlight those with opportunity to influence: due for renewal, draft, early stages
(Project Lead)

Prioritise 3 to 4 to receive system change support from Shaping Places for Wellbeing Programme "lens"
(Steering Group)



Renewal of strategies and plans

2022

2023

2024

Local Development Plan 2 proposal

Local Development Plan 2

Argyll and Bute Outcome Improvement Plan

Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Action Plan

Economic Strategy

Conservation Area Regeneration Scheme

Transforming Together
Health and Social Care Partnership strategic plan 19/20 21/22

Joint Strategic Plan 2022 - 25
Health and Social Care Partnership

Living Well Strategy Health and Social Care Partnership

Cowal Living Well Action Plan



Project Town Activity - Inequalities data

Dunoon is an area of relatively high **deprivation** with 24% of its population classed as living in SIMD Quintile

The rate of **deaths aged 15-44** is almost 2 times higher than Scotland

Rate of early deaths from **Coronary Health Disease** is higher than Scotland

Rate of **Asthma patients hospitalisations** in Dunoon is nearly 2 times higher than Scotland

4 out of 10 **households are single occupancy**

It has ready access to services including GPs and schools

Female life expectancy is 2 years lower than the Scottish average

Developmental concerns at 27-30 Months is 1.4 times higher than Scotland and Argyll and Bute

27% of the population are in receipt of **out of work benefits**, compared to 16% in Scotland

Immunisation uptake (6-in-1 and MMR) for Dunoon is below Scotland Average

The **crime rate** is 1.3 times higher than in Scotland

Maternal Obesity (30%) is 6% points above Scotland average (24%)n 2019



Project Town Activity - Stakeholder engagement

Organisations engaged with so far

Skills Development
Scotland

Argyll Community
Housing Association

Cowal Healthy
Living Network

Dunoon Area Alliance

Police Scotland

Fyne Homes

Bute Advice

High Kirk

Rape Crisis

Third Sector Interface

Dunoon Burgh Hall

We Are With You

Argyll Coast and Countryside
Trust

Tacit-Tacit

Crossroads Carers

Live Argyll

Bothy Project

Dunoon Men's Shed

Hub Grub



Project Town Activity - Stakeholder engagement

What do people need from their place?

More affordable and consistent childcare

More consistent employment opportunities

More reliable broadband services

More affordable family housing and private rented housing

More affordable leisure opportunities for people on low incomes

Mitigate impact of fuel and food price rises

Increased opportunities for social connection

More opportunities for partnership working

Increase in good quality outdoor play spaces

More consistent mental health support

Reliable and affordable transport to access services

More spaces for community activity

Reduced stigma in accessing services

Greater range of job available for young people and the skills for available jobs

More support for people with addictions

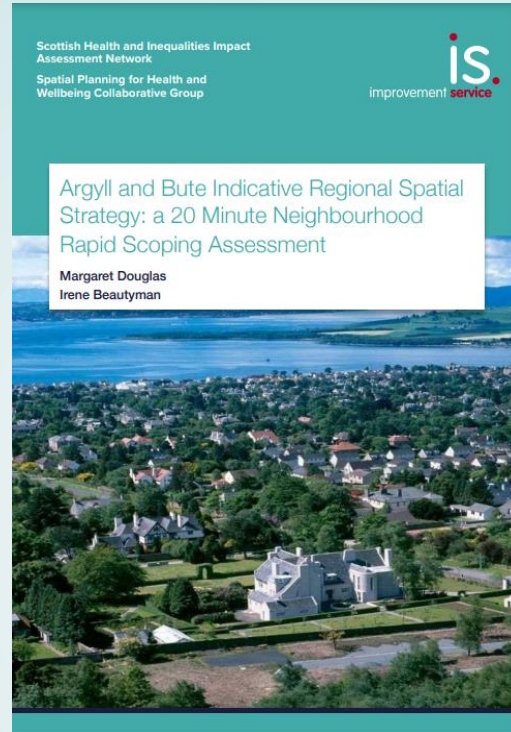
Local social enterprise support



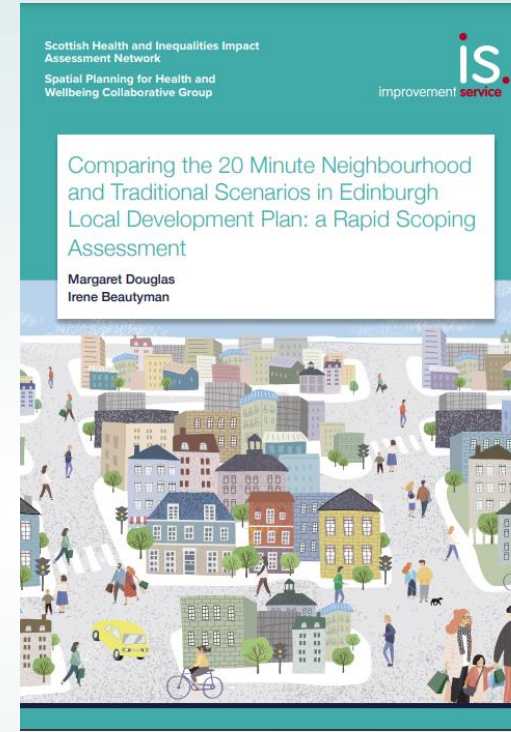
Project interventions and collaborative action

Place and Wellbeing Assessments

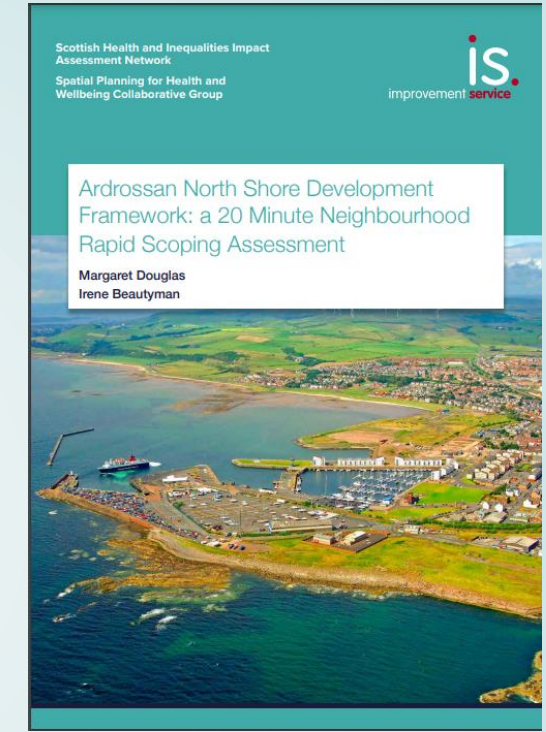
Learn from pilot assessments and adapt for local project priorities



Regional Strategy



Local Development Plan



Development Site



Links

All our programme information can be found here:

<https://www.improvementservice.org.uk/products-and-services/consultancy-and-support/shaping-places-for-wellbeing-programme>

Specific resources:

[Place and Wellbeing Outcomes](#) briefing paper listing all out of the outcomes and how they were developed. Place and Wellbeing Outcomes [animation](#)

[Place & Wellbeing Assessments](#) pilot report

During the programme we will continually evaluate our work and aim to share our learnings. One way we will do this is through our **Shaping our Thinking, Sharing our Learning** [blog series](#).



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Argyll & Bute Community Planning Partnership

Area Meetings

Date: August 2022



Partner update – Public Health

The Argyll and Bute HSCP Public Health team is pleased to provide an update on three areas of work: Money Counts Training, Smoke Free Hospital Ground's Legislation and Scotland's Suicide Prevention Strategy Consultation.

Money Counts Level 1 Training Course

The Money Counts Level 1 Training is short information awareness sessions, delivered in partnership with Young Carers and Child Poverty at Argyll and Bute HSCP (Health and Social Care Partnership) and the Argyll and Bute Health Improvement Team.

The Course Aim

- Increase understanding of poverty and its impact
- Increase confidence to ask about money worries
- Increase knowledge of support services for money matters

Six courses have been delivered online with a total of 21 attendees from a variety of the HSCP and 3rd sector organisations throughout Argyll and Bute. Attendees reported an increase in confidence in ability to talk with someone about money issues after the session.

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Smoke Free Hospital Ground's Legislation

The current NHS Highland Policy prohibits smoking on hospital grounds (https://www.nhshwellbeingatwork.scot.nhs.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/NHS_Highland-Smoke_Free_Policy.pdf). The Health (Tobacco, Nicotine etc. and Care) (Scotland) Act 2016 added new legislation to The Smoking, Health and Social Care (Scotland) Act 2005^[3] to strengthen adherence to NHS Board policies.

The 2005 Act made it an offence to smoke in wholly or substantially enclosed public spaces, which included smoking inside a hospital building. The additional legislation creates new offences; permitting others to smoke in the no-smoking area outside hospital buildings and smoking in this no-smoking area. The no-smoking area outside a hospital building is specified as 15 meters from the entrance.

The main aims of introducing a formalised no-smoking area around hospital buildings are to:

- support the de-normalisation of smoking;
- help reduce the use of tobacco across the population;
- prevent or reduce exposure to second-hand smoke; and
- ensure the NHS in Scotland is exemplar in the promotion of good public health.

All hospitals will display signage to raise awareness of the legislation which will come into effect on the **5th of September 2022**.

Anyone who has quit smoking or tried to quit knows how hard it can be. The Argyll and Bute Smoke-Free Service is here to help with network of trained Smoke-Free Advisers who can provide FREE advice and support to anyone who is thinking about stopping smoking.

There is a range of specialist support options to suit everyone who is motivated to quit or cut down which includes;

- Specialist Advisers
- Regular support, tailored to your needs
- Ongoing help throughout the process of quitting
- Quit Smoking Medication
- Cut down to quit plan
- Working with Community Pharmacists
- Go Smoke Free at home and in your car

This link will take you to a referral page where your details will be passed to your local adviser: [Contact Us | Smoke Free Highland \(scot.nhs.uk\)](#) or you can contact the Stop Smoking Adviser for your area directly. Their contact details are below:

Bute:

Mandy Allison
Tel.01700501521

Cowal:

Kate Paton Tel.01369708349 or
Kathy Graham Tel.07972678923

Helensburgh and Lomond:

Sherry Burns Tel. 07795612590

Kintyre:

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Scotland's Suicide Prevention Strategy Consultation

The Scottish Government and the Convention of Scottish Local Authorities (COSLA) will publish a new Suicide Prevention Strategy and Action Plan for Scotland, in September 2022.

This strategy will be long term, outcomes focused and will replace the Suicide Prevention Action Plan which was published in 2018 which is currently delivered through the National Suicide Prevention Leadership Group (NSPLG).

The Scottish Government are seeking views on the draft Strategy and Action Plan with the consultation open until midnight on Sunday 21 August 2022. The consultation is hosted via Citizen Space, the Scottish Government's online consultation platform. You can access the consultation using this link: <https://consult.gov.scot/mental-health-unit/suicide-prevention-strategy-for-scotland>

You may also wish to read the consultation document which contains the same questions as the online version but provides the option to respond 'offline'. This document can be accessed using this link: <https://www.gov.scot/isbn/9781804357040>

If you have any questions, you can contact the Strategy development team directly by emailing: contact@suicidepreventionengagement.scot

Following the launch of the new National Suicide Prevention Strategy and Action Plan in September, Argyll and Bute Suicide Prevention Strategic Group aims to develop a new Argyll and Bute specific Suicide Prevention Action Plan with the input of the wider Argyll and Bute community. The Argyll and Bute Suicide Prevention Strategic Group is also working to ensure that the membership of the steering group has representation from professionals, groups and organisations supporting those who face higher risk factors and are from higher risk groups for suicide.

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Climate Change Working Group**Date: 8 August 2022**

Climate Change Working Group Highlight Report*Argyll and Bute Climate Action***1.0 Executive Summary**

Over the past year, the Climate Change Short Life Working Group has been revived as a CPP sub-group, known as the Climate Change Working Group.

It took a fresh look at its remit and potential outputs, which have ultimately centred on producing a Climate Change Action Plan for Argyll and Bute.

The Action Plan is proposed to be produced by employing a Climate Change Project Manager to lead the process.

More recently, the Climate Change Working Group has been finalising the details of the work entailed in such a process, and are now actively seeking funding for the creation of the post.

2.0 Highlight Report**2.1 Action Plan**

The purpose of the Action Plan is to establish a region-wide climate risk assessment and to develop an integrated set of adaptation, mitigation and engagement actions.

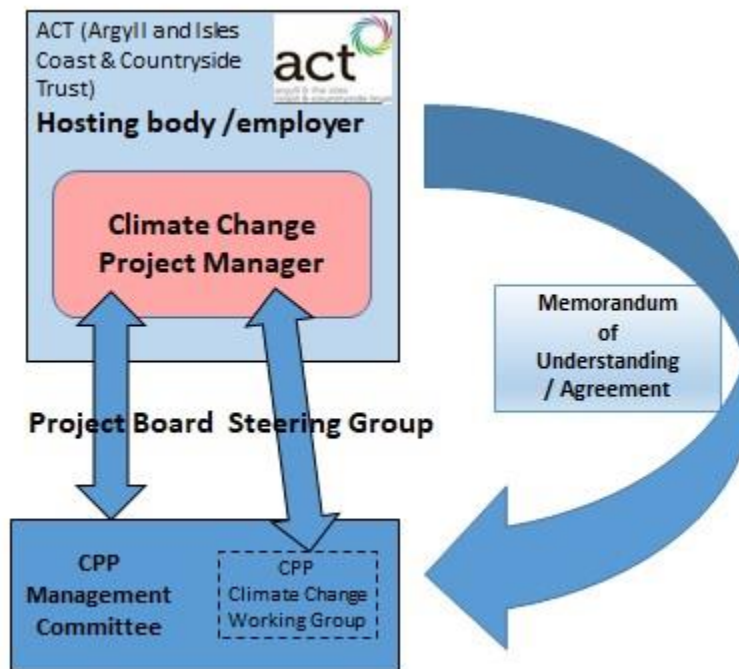
The proposed post of Climate Change Project Manager will bring organisations, businesses and communities together to develop a shared vision and understanding of climate change risks and opportunities across the Argyll and Bute region. It will identify priorities for communities, areas and sectors that will establish where (both spatially and thematically) and how the region can increase resilience and adapt, mitigate and engage on climate change issues.

It will identify, but not reproduce, climate change work either already happening or part of an organisation or business's own responsibilities.

2.2 Governance

Governance arrangements and structures have been developed in order to support the Climate Change Project Officer post.

Various discussions with partners have taken place about how best to create and support this post and the following structure was approved by the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee last month:



The post would be hosted by ACT (Argyll and Isles Coast & Countryside Trust) under a Memorandum of Understanding / Agreement with the CPP Management Committee.

Ultimate responsibility for the project would lie with the CPP Management Committee, who would act as de-facto Project Board, with day-to-day management supported mainly by a sub-set of the Climate Change Working Group.

2.3 Funding

The Climate Change Working Group are currently pulling together a funding package to support the post of the Climate Change Project Manager. Some funds have already been forthcoming from CPP partners, and we are now pursuing external funding sources to complete the planned budget.

3.0 Summary

1. We propose producing a strategic Action Plan process as the best, and most thorough, way to address the climate emergency in Argyll and Bute.
2. We have an approved governance arrangement for the Climate Change Project Manager post.
3. We are continuing to pursue funding options for the project.

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