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MINUTES of MEETING of HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in the PILLAR HALL, VICTORIA HALLS, HELENSBURGH on TUESDAY, 9 FEBRUARY 2016

Present: Councillor Gary Mulvaney (Chair)
Morevain Martin (Vice-Chair) – Third Sector Interface
Councillor Richard Trail

Attending: Shona Barton – Area Committee Manager
Lorna Elliott – Community Governance Manager
Audrey Baird – Community Development Officer
Wendy Brownlie – Education Officer
Neil Sturrock – Strathclyde Partnership for Transport
Morven Short – Dunbritton Housing Association
Janice Kennedy – Scottish Enterprise
Ruth Cairns – Community Learning and Development Youth Worker
Linda Skrastin – NHS Highland
Inspector Coleen Wylie – Police Scotland
Martin Hill – Scottish Fire and Rescue
Commander Jim Hayle – Base Executive Officer
Gillian Simpson - Third Sector Interface
John Tacchi – Helensburgh Community Council
Norman Muir - Helensburgh Community Council
Nick Davies – Cove and Kilcreggan Community Council
Adam Hart – Helensburgh RFC
Mark Ashdown - Helensburgh RFC
Stephen Kirkwood – Skapade Studios
Michelle McDonald – Route 81
Gordon Mowat – Route 81

APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were intimated from:

Councillor George Freeman
Jeannie Holles, Adult Learning Manager
Lana Stewart, Police Scotland
Rod Buchanan, Argyll Community Housing Association
Rona Gold, Community Planning Manager

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. MINUTES

(a) **Minute of the previous Helensburgh and Lomond Community Planning Group meeting held on 10 November 2015**

The Minute of the meeting of the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning group held on 10 November 2015 was approved as a correct record.

(b) **Minute of the Duchess Wood Local Nature Reserve Committee held on 17 November 2015 - for noting**

The Minute of the meeting of the Duchess Wood Local Nature Reserve Committee held on 17 November 2015 was noted by the group.

(c) **Minute of the Third Sector and Communities CPP Strategic Group held on 24 November 2015 - for noting**

The Minute of the meeting of the Third Sector and Communities CPP Strategic Group held on 24 November 2015 was noted by the group.

4. STANDING ITEM: CPP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The group gave consideration to a report which provided highlights from the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee meeting on 18th December with particular emphasis on matters raised by Area Community Planning Groups.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the update.

(Reference: Report by Community Planning Manager, dated 9 February 2016, submitted).

REVIEW OF SOA DELIVERY PLANS.

The group gave consideration to an update which provided the detail on the review to keep Area Community Planning Groups informed of progress.

Decision

The group agreed:-

1. To note the progress to date.
2. That the revised delivery plans will be brought to the May 2016 meeting of the Area Community planning Group; and
3. That the revision of the SOA: Local will commence thereafter.
4. That information on how young people could become involved with the CPG to come to the next meeting.

(Reference: Report by Community Planning Manager, dated 9 February 2016, submitted).

REVIEW OF TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS

The group gave consideration to a report which provided information relating to the implementation of the current Terms of Reference and the revised ways of working which have now been in operation for a period of one year.

The Area Committee Manager advised the group that the meeting papers were normally circulated seven days in advance of the meeting rather than the 14 days stated in the Terms of Reference. She explained that this was for operational reasons. It was agreed that the terms of reference should be amended to reflect the current working practice with regards to circulation of meeting papers

Discussion followed and the Chair advised that it was his intention to stand down as Chair of the Helensburgh and Lomond CPG with effect from August 2016. This would provide an opportunity for other Partners of the group to take the Chair. He reiterated the need for the Group to continue with close scrutiny of reports and continue with the good work being undertaken.

Decision

1. The group agreed to amend the current Terms of Reference to state that meeting papers should be circulated seven days in advance of meetings

(Reference: Report by Head of Community and Culture, dated 9 February, 2016 submitted).

7. OUTCOME 3: EDUCATION, SKILLS AND TRAINING MAXIMISES OPPORTUNITIES FOR ALL

(a) Education Standards and Quality Report

The group gave consideration to a report providing information on the Service provision of the Argyll and Bute Council Education Department.

Discussion followed. The group were particularly interested in the fact that 2 of the 10 most deprived data zones were located within the local area and asked for further information in regards the location of the 2 datazones within the Helensburgh area. The group were also interested in the economic benefits of Gaelic. It was noted the report was Argyll & Bute wide and the group would be interested to have more information on the evidence of the economic benefits of Gaelic related activities within the Helensburgh & Lomond area. Morevain Martin highlighted various projects being undertaken locally in local schools promoting and implementing Health and Wellbeing.

Decision

1. The group agreed to note the report.
2. Further information on the location of the 2 data zones falling into the 10 most deprived data zones category to be circulated
3. Information on the economic benefits of Gaelic related activities in the Helensburgh & Lomond area to come to a future meeting

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Community Services, submitted).

(b) **Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partnership**

The group gave consideration to a report which provided an update on the work of the Community Learning and Development (CLD) Strategic Partnership in response to the Strategic Guidance for Community Planning Groups (2012).

Discussion followed and Morevain Martin pointed out some inaccuracies in the report regarding the former Argyll Voluntary Action had been renamed Third Sector Interface

Decision

The group agreed to note the report.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director, Community Services, dated 9 February, 2016 submitted).

(c) **Helensburgh Cricket and Rugby Football Club**

The group heard a presentation by Adam Hart, Helensburgh Cricket and Rugby Football Club Development Officer and Mark Ashdown, Modern Apprentice.

The group praised the work currently being undertaken and commented that this should be showcased more widely in the local community. The Chair thanked Adam, Stephen and Mark for their informative presentation and reiterated his commendation on the excellent work they were involved in Kirkmichael.

Decision

The group agreed to note the presentation and update.

(d) **Youth Worker**

Ruth Cairns, Community Learning and Development Youth worker introduced herself to the group and provided a short resume of her work remit. She commented that she was keen to hear any suggestions from the group.

Discussion followed and Ruth updated the group on the current Membership of the Youth Parliament. The Helensburgh and Lomond

member was Stephanie Thomas, who was also the Chair of the local Youth Forum. She highlighted that the Youth Parliament were launching a new campaign – ‘Speak your Mind’ and follow-up research would determine action.

The group asked to be kept informed of results and enquired if Stephanie Thomas would be prepared to attend a future Helensburgh and Lomond Community Planning Group meeting. Ruth agreed to speak to Stephanie about the possibility of attending.

The Chair thanked Ruth for her informative update and enquired if she was engaging with local partners. She affirmed that she was working with local partners and attending various meetings with a number of different local groups.

Decision

The group noted the update.

8. OUTCOME 4: CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE HAVE THE BEST POSSIBLE START

(a) CLD Youth Services (Primary)

The group gave consideration to a report providing information on the activities which the CLD Youth Services (Primary) deliver in the Helensburgh and Lomond area.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the report.

(Reference: Report by Argyll and Bute Council Youth Service Worker (Primary)).

(b) Route 81 Update

The group heard an update and presentation by Michelle McDonald and Gordon Mowat (Chair) on the work currently being undertaken by Route 81.

Discussion followed and Gordon Mowat highlighted the financial difficulties being faced. He advised that various funding applications had been submitted, but, as yet, they had not received notification of any successful bids. The group suggested the possibility of Route 81 downsizing, but Gordon Mowat pointed out that any cutbacks would result in a cessation of 1:1 interventions with young people attending the centre, with a possible detrimental effect.

The Chair thanked both Michelle McDonald and Gordon Mowat for their update and presentation and advised that the Route 81 Board should instigate contact with Argyll and Bute Council for further advice on their financial difficulties.

Decision

The group agreed:

1. To note the update and presentation.
2. That the Area Committee Manager would provide Gordon Mowat of the relevant officer contact at Argyll and Bute Council.

9. OUTCOME 5: PEOPLE LIVE ACTIVE, HEALTHIER AND INDEPENDENT LIVES

(a) STANDING ITEM: Health and Social Care Integration

The group gave consideration to a report on the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership. It was noted that there were potential links that could be developed between the Locality Groups mentioned in the report and the Area CPGs

Decision:

The group agreed to note the report.

(Reference: Report by Head of Strategic Planning and Performance, dated January 2016, submitted).

10. PROPOSED 2016/17 MEETING DATES

The group gave consideration to a report requesting consideration and agreement for meeting dates from May 2016 to April 2017.

Decision

The group agreed:

1. To the dates for future Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group meetings.
2. That the meeting commencement time would be amended to 9.30a.m.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director – Customer Services, dated 9 February 2016, submitted).

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date of the next Helensburgh and Lomond Community Planning Group meeting was scheduled for 17 May 2016.

The Area Committee Manager facilitated a short discussion to determine reports for the forthcoming May meeting.

She advised that the SOA for discussion would be:-

Outcome 1 – The economy is diverse and thriving

Outcome 2 – People live active, healthier and independent lives.

The group agreed that reports would be requested as follows:-

Outcome 1:-

Maritime Change
Impact of the MOD Base on local economy

Commander Jim Hayle/Babcock
Commander Jim Hayle

Work currently being undertaken in the
Helensburgh area

Janice Kennedy, Scottish Enterprise

Women entrepreneurs and Business

Norman Muir, Helensburgh CC

Argyll & Bute Coasts and Countryside
Trust

Julie Young, Trust Development Officer

NVA St Peters

Angus Farquhar, Architect

Outcome 5:-

New Falls Prevention
Housing Development in local area
Local Carers

Linda Skrastin, NHS Highland
Morven Short, Director, Dunbritton
Eileen McCrory, Helensburgh Carer
Support

The Chair thanked everyone for attending and for their contributions to the meeting.

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