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MINUTES of MEETING of HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP
held in the MARRIAGE ROOM, HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND CIVIC CENTRE, 38 EAST
CLYDE STREET, HELENSBURGH
On TUESDAY, 15 NOVEMBER 2016

Present: Stuart McLean (Chair)

Morevain Martin, Third Sector Interface and Health and Well Being Alliance (Vice-Chair)

Councillor Richard Trail, Argyll and Bute Council

Lorna Elliott, Community Governance Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Morven Short, Director, Dunbritton Housing Association
Commander Jim Hayle, Royal Navy, Base Executive Officer
Commander John Livesey, Royal Navy, Base Executive Officer
Neil Sturrock, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)
Audrey Baird, Community Development Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
Ruth Cairns, Community Development and Youth Worker, Argyll and Bute Council
Stephanie Thomas, President, Youth Parliament
Chief Superintendent Grant Manders, Police Scotland
Inspector Coleen Wylie, Police Scotland
PC Craig Stamp, Police Scotland
Paul Kyle, Locality Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Jim Littlejohn, Locality Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Gillian Simpson, Third Sector Interface (TSI)
Janice Kennedy, Executive Officer, Scottish Enterprise
Jean Cook, Rhu and Shandon Community Council
Graham Barr, Cove and Kilcreggan Community Council
Representatives from Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum

APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

Apologies were intimated from:

Councillor Robert G MacIntyre, Argyll and Bute Council
Neil Black, Community Development Adviser, Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park
Campbell Cameron, Community Broadband Scotland
Nick Davies, Cove and Kilcreggan Community Council

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no Declarations of Interest.

3. MINUTES

(a) Minute of the previous Helensburgh and Lomond Community Planning Group held on 16 August 2016

The Minute of the meeting of the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning group held on 16 August 2016 was approved as a correct record, proposed by Morven Short and seconded by Gillian Simpson.

Matters Arising

7. Outcome 2: We have Infrastructure that Supports Growth

(a) Strategic Housing Investment Plan

Commander Hayle advised the group that the MOD were under pressure from the Defence and Infrastructure Organisation to make a determination regarding the possibility of refurbishing these 80 properties. He continued that more housing would be a requirement with the increased MOD uniformed personnel who would be assigned to the Base.

Commander Livesey outlined that options were still being discussed in regards the projected cost and size of the housing which would be required. It was envisaged that timescales would be decided upon by the new year.

Action: Commander Livesey would provide an update for the February 2017 Community Planning Group meeting.

(b) Scottish Water

The Community Governance Manager advised that, as yet, no update had been received from Scottish Water in regards the William Street flooding issue.

Action: The Community Governance Manager would take this forward with Scottish Water.

4. STANDING ITEM: CPP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

(a) Briefing Note: Community Planning Partnership Management Committee update

Chief Superintendent Manders highlighted that the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee were endeavouring to create a closer interface with local Community Planning Groups. He advised that invites had been extended to all four Area CPG Chairs to attend future CPP Management Group meetings to enable fuller discussion and understanding of local issues.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the update.

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

(b) **Local Partnership Plans: 'Locality Planning'**

The group gave consideration to a briefing note which provided an update on the Local Partnership Plans: 'Locality Planning'.

The Community Governance Manager advised that final guidance was still awaited from the Scottish Government and highlighted the new tools available to help with engagement and community planning.

Decision:

The group agreed:

1. To note the update.
2. That the group would forward links to existing community action plans and /or similar initiatives within the area to the Community Governance Manager.
3. That the February 2017 CPG meeting agenda would focus on Locality Planning.

(Reference: Report by the Adult Learning Manager, dated November 2016, submitted).

5. COMMUNITY SAFETY

(a) **Strategic Community Safety Tasking & Co-ordinating Partnership**

The group gave consideration to an update on the recent activity by the Strategic Community Safety Co-ordinating & Tasking Partnership.

Decision:

The group agreed:-

1. To note the update; and
2. That they would assist with the cascading of seasonal community safety information through social media and other communication channels.

(Reference: Report by Chief Inspector Marlene Baillie, Chair of Strategic Community Safety Tasking and Coordinating Partnership, dated November 2016, submitted).

(b) **Police Scotland: Your View Counts survey**

Chief Superintendent Manders outlined that the survey was one method of collecting local information and views. This also enabled Police Scotland to configure deployment and resources effectively across the area and to determine local priorities.

He tabled paper copies for people who did not have access to the on-line survey and advised that copies were also available at local libraries.

The link to the survey is detailed below:-

www.scotland.police.uk/yourviewcounts

Decision:

The group agreed to note the update.

(Reference: Survey by Police Scotland, tabled).

6. REPORT ON THE FINDINGS OF THE WORKING GROUP RELATING TO ARGYLL AND BUTE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

The group gave consideration to an update on the findings of the working group relating to Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership and noted that the workshop had been useful in clarifying remits and that it was important for the two groups to work together where appropriate.

Jim Littlejohn, Locality Manager advised that the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership was still developing and gave an update on recent activities which continue to identify local issues as part of the Locality Plan development process. It is anticipated that the draft Locality Plan will be available by the end of November. A general discussion followed during which it was also noted that there was currently no representation from the local Housing Associations on the Partnership. Jim Littlejohn explained that membership was still being determined as part of the development process that this omission would be addressed.

Decision:

The group agreed:-

1. To note the update.
2. That the Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) should join the CPG
3. The draft HSCP Locality Plan will be taken into consideration during the CPP Locality Plan discussion during the February 17 meeting.

(Reference: Report by Community Governance Manager, dated November 2016, submitted).

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

(a) Briefing Note: CLD Partnership Plan

The group gave consideration to an update on the CLD Partnership Plan and it was noted that clients from the Foodbank in Helensburgh had been impressed and encouraged by the CLD partnership plan.

Decision:

The group agreed to note the update and to include consideration of potential training needs when discussing locality plans at the February meeting.

(Reference: Report by the Adult Learning Manager, dated November 2016, submitted).

(b) GIVE Summer youth volunteering programme

The group gave consideration to a briefing note on the GIVE Summer youth volunteering programme.

Decision:

The group agreed:-

1. To note the briefing note.
2. That the group assist where possible to help promote the GIVE Programme and offer youth volunteering opportunities

(Reference: Report by Ruth Cairns and Gilliam Simpson, dated November 2016, submitted).

(c) Presentation and update from Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum

The group gave consideration to an update and presentation from Stephanie Thomas, President, Youth Parliament and representatives from the Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum.

A short paper was tabled with 3 questions and a short discussion followed. The group were in agreeance that the views and opinions of young people were necessary and valued in helping to progress local initiatives and projects.

Decision:

The group agreed:-

1. To note the update.
2. To commend the involvement and work undertaken by the

Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum.

3. To invite Stephanie Thomas, President Youth Parliament to join the CPG and to consider how best to facilitate input from Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum

(Reference: Update and presentation by Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum).

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

(a) Presentation on CONTEST Strategy

The group gave consideration to an update by Chief Superintendent Manders outlining the UK Government's counter-terrorism strategy (CONTEST). He outlined that this was a statutory duty to endeavour to reduce the risk of acts of terrorism in the UK and pointed out that there were 4 main elements to the CONTEST strategy, which were:-

Prevent, Prepare, Protect and Pursue.

He emphasised that the Prevent element was primarily a strategy for early identification of vulnerable individuals who may become targets for extremists and listed the 3 strands incorporated within Prevent. These were:-

Individuals, Institutions and Ideology.

Chief Superintendent Manders commented that Scotland was well prepared and equipped to deal with terrorist issues both in joint protocols and responding lines.

The Chair thanked Chief Superintendent Manders for his informative update.

(b) Introduction of newly appointed Youth Engagement officer for Helensburgh & Lomond area.

Chief Superintendent Manders introduced the newly appointed Youth Engagement officer for the Helensburgh & Lomond area - PC Craig Stamp. He advised the group of his remit and the intended outcomes within the local community. The post would be evaluated after a period of 6 months/1 year to determine its effectiveness and he pointed out that feedback would be essential.

PC Stamp outlined his background to the group and advised that his base would be within Hermitage Academy.

The Chair thanked both Chief Superintendent Manders and PC Stamp for their update and welcomed PC Stamp to the group.

9. PARTNERS UPDATE

The Chair invited verbal updates from partners in attendance at the meeting.

Rhu and Shandon Community Council

Advised on the remedial sewage work to be undertaken by Scottish Water and the potential for conflict if re-surfacing work is undertaken by Argyll and Bute Council and issues after the revised bin collection schedule had been implemented. The group noted that operational matters should be raised directly with relevant service provider.

Police Scotland:-

Highlighted 'Festive Action plans' which include local priorities and raise awareness in the local areas.

Children and Families, Health and Social Care Partnership

Outlined the repatriation of various services back to Helensburgh and Lomond. And indicated that he would like to bring information on Continuing Care and Unaccompanied Asylum Seeking children to the February meeting

Third Sector Interface:-

Advised on a forthcoming meeting with 'Big Lottery' in regards their changing funding strategy and the need to highlight challenges faced by communities across Argyll and Bute area as this is not always recognised by urban based organisations

'Be Aware – Prepare' – targeting older people. Event scheduled for 30 November 1-3p.m. New Parish church hall.

Scottish Fire and Rescue:-

A festive campaign raising awareness of lit candles, Christmas lights and safe cooking will be running shortly. The group were also advised that there has been a change in personnel locally and a newly appointed officer will be representing Scottish Fire & Rescue at future meetings.

Ministry of Defence (MOD):-

Highlighted a recent conference – Veterans Affairs held on 10 October which addressed mental Health and housing issues and intimated that a Strategic Delivery and Framework Group (comprising Argyll and Bute Council and MOD Base). meeting is to be held on 6 December in Helensburgh and Lomond Civic Centre.
Group

Strathclyde Partnership for Transport (SPT)

Imitated that the issues raised at the August CPG meeting had been discussed at a recent SPT meeting and advised that Scot Rail is currently reviewing timetables.

Community Development:-

The Community Development Officer gave an update on the recent meeting held on 22 August in Victoria Halls, Helensburgh by Helensburgh and Lomond Marine Litter

and drew the group's attention to a short film on You Tube of the Arrochar/Loch Long shoreline and car parking areas following bad weather in 2014.

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mHMLvvxCGtg>

Scottish Enterprise:-

Advised that they would be meeting with Argyll and Bute Council and Business Gateway and anticipates being able to provide an update of Scottish Enterprise annual figures at the February meeting

CLD Youth Worker:-

Highlighted the possibility of assisting in Spring 2017 with Beach Clean and indicated that she will provide regular updates on the Youth Parliament and Helensburgh and Lomond Youth Forum.

The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and informative updates.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY, 21 FEBRUARY 2017

The date of the next Helensburgh and Lomond Community Planning Group meeting was scheduled for 21 February 2017 and the venue would be confirmed nearer to the meeting date.