

Outcome 3: Education, skills and training maximises opportunities for all

Activity	Lead	Contributors	Progress	Comments
Develop a range of programmes, courses and qualifications for the Senior Phase to support schools and pupils with course options that reflect local labour market employment opportunities.	Anne Paterson	Fraser Durie	On track	Anne is lead on the activities, Anne not in attendance. Upute picked up on points from the previous meeting. "E-sgoil" - virtual school which apparently is linking in with Argyll and Bute, Western Isles and Highland Councils - curriculum opened up to rural areas. Action: find out from Anne what Argyll and Bute is doing with this. Action: get good information together then do second Action: make teachers, pupils and partners in the employability partnership more aware of local opportunities and pathways. Anthony suggested other examples of where this promotion is taking place. Action: Ishabel to send the Skills Pipeline work when complete out to partners. Action: This paper to go to CPP MC on 20 Dec. It is recognised that this is linked into Outcome 1 focused on Economy. Action for Anne to select someone from Education to contribute to this discussion, and be lead for this activity for the group, and inform what activities being looked at for Senior Phase as this is being looked at by Education. DYW group is run by Education and it would be good to have a meeting with key people from activity group. Action: Rona to speak to Aileen Goodall to get advice on how partners can best link in.

<p>Develop a coordinated and open employer engagement approach between partners on what skills are needed and skills gaps.</p>	<p>Ishabel Bremner</p>		<p>On track</p>	<p>A sub-group of the Argyll and Bute Employability Partnership met on the 28th October to revise the Argyll and Bute Employment Activity Plan with a focus on skills demand issues and appropriate target audiences. The Employment Activity Plan also incorporates the Strategic Skills Pipeline supply side provision of employability services across the Argyll and Bute area. The Argyll and Bute DYW Regional Group bid (hopefully approved by the Scottish Government on 6th December) driven by the private sector, will also be key mechanism to achieve this outcome with support in partnership from Argyll and Bute Council, Highlands and Islands Enterprise (HIE) and Argyll College UHI. Principal action is to explore the connectivity and complementarity between the proposed activities, in particular skills gaps, outlined in the Argyll and Bute Employment Activity Plan and the Argyll and Bute DYW Regional Bid. Ensure alignment with the food and drink and tourism sectoral profiling work currently being undertaken by the Economic Growth Team. Action: Employability Partnership to explore the connectivity between DYW document and Argyll and Bute Employability Plan. Action: CPP team to set up a sectoral meeting in December on food, drink and tourism. Action: Partners to engage with the Helensburgh workshop, Ishabel to speak to Fergus about this.</p>
<p>Roll out the Argyll and Bute Family Pathway across all areas of Argyll and Bute, with wider engagement from partners.</p>	<p>To be identified</p>		<p>Not on track</p>	<p>Action: Rona to get update from Anne Paterson and Louise.</p>

Enhance provision, promotion and participation of Modern Apprenticeships through a partnership approach to ensure implementation of the Highlands and Islands Modern Apprenticeships Expansion Plan in Argyll and Bute.	Anthony Standing	Seonag Campbell Aileen Goodall Julie Hallett	On track	Modern Apprentice expansion plan has local aspects, the draft will be with partners end of Nov/ beg of Dec for comment and consultation. The funding model and the issue of rurality was highlighted. SDS are looking at MA data at the level of the 4 administrative areas and at secondary school level. Once the data is in localised level, hotspots can be identified. SDS looking at a bit of bespoke work on engagement with parents too. Action: partners to comment on the MA expansion plan when issued. Action: CPP MC to look at this at 20 Dec meeting
Expand the offer of Further Education	Fraser Durie	Jeannie Holles	On track	Fraser defined Further Education as after school. Need to look at what we are doing in various locations. There is the opportunity to start this in Helensburgh with the upcoming MOD meeting. Action: CPP team to arrange and attend a meeting for Jeannie and Fraser to meet and discuss Further Education.
Enhance strong partnership working between educational establishments and local communities through a mentor programme.	Martin Turnbull	Anthony Standing Louise Connor	On track	No update. This action is now under the DYW proposal going to Scottish Government. Action: CPP team to change Fraser to lead on this
Named person activity	Louise Long Ann-Marie Knowles	Patricia Renfrew Gerry Geoghegan	On track	Action: Rona to get update from Louise. Action: This group to make decision at next meeting on where this sits - under outcome 4?