

Argyll & Bute Community Planning Partnership

**Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands
Locality Plan
2017-2018**

Introduction

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act requires Community Planning Partnerships (CPP) to have focused locality plans to reduce inequalities within a community. The CPP has used data from the Improvement Services' Community Planning Outcome Profile tool, results from the Place Standard Consultation held in April 2017 and combined knowledge to determine where focused activity should take place and what activities are required in a particular area.

The actions set out below are what the CPP believes it should do over the next 12 months to address inequalities within the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands area and what communities will be the target of focused effort. The plan will be reviewed every 12 months to ensure that actions for the next 12 months are focused on the areas which need attention most.

The reasoning behind why these particular communities have been prioritised for the next 12 months is set out below the actions.

We have also listed strategic activity that the CPP knows is happening within the area and the Community Action Plans which exist within the area too. The actions listed below will complement ongoing activity from partners and its communities.

Once agreed, the Locality Plan will be progressed through the Area Community Planning Group which meets xxx.

Lochgilphead

Action	Lead Organisation	CPP Outcome(s)
Delivery of regeneration projects for Lochgilphead, Ardrishaig and Tarbert	Argyll & Bute Council	Economy
Explore a redesign of the employability service delivery model in Lochgilphead	Argyll & Bute Council	Economy
Look at opportunities to develop more employment links with Kilmory Industrial Estate	Argyll & Bute Council / HIE	Economy
Retail regeneration including night-time offer of Lochgilphead	Argyll & Bute Council	Economy
Investigate potential for young people/volunteers to gain qualifications	Argyll & Bute Council / TSI	Education Children and Young People
Community Councils to build relationships with Youth Forum	Community Council	Children and Young People
Scoping after school activities so as to determine how best to encourage access for all to these	Argyll & Bute Council	Children and Young People
Look at youth engagement resources and how these can be used across the area (e.g. Mobile skate park)	Argyll & Bute Council	Children and Young People
Increase the number of modern apprenticeships in the area	Skills Development Scotland	Education
Look how Council fleet could be utilised to provide more flexibility	Argyll & Bute Council	Safer and Stronger

Ardfern

Action	Lead Organisation	CPP Outcome(s)
Investigate if Community Transport provides for children/families	Third Sector Interface?	Children and Young People
Investigate potential youth group to be based at Ardfarn Fire Station	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service	Children and Young People

Kilmartin

Action	Lead Organisation	CPP Outcome(s)
Achieve HLF2 funding for Kilmartin Museum		Economy

Campbeltown

Action	Lead Organisation	CPP Outcome(s)
Work with Machrihanish Airbase Community Company to grow and develop further by having an increase in the number of businesses based at the airbase with high-skilled jobs	HIE	Economy
Promote the Machrihanish Airbase Community Company as an innovative opportunity to businesses, including the potential of a Spaceport	HIE	Economy
Agree a growth strategy for Machrihanish Airbase Community Company	HIE	Economy
Provision of Youth Engagement Officer in Campbeltown	Police Scotland	Children and Young People

Why are we choosing these communities within Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands this year?

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands has a total population of 20,533 (NRS 2014 Small Area Population Estimates) which has decreased from 20,586 in 2013.

The Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2016 ranked two of the twenty-nine data zones within Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands as being among the 15% most overall deprived data zones in Scotland. Both of these data zones are within Campbeltown.

The Improvement Service's Community Planning Outcome Profile tool looks at Intermediate Geography Zones (IGZ) and ranks these against 8 outcomes: Out of Work Benefits, Child Poverty, S4 Tariff Rate, Positive Destinations, Crime Rate, Emergency Admissions, Early Mortality and Depopulation. It is worth stating that the most up to date data within the tool is from 2014 however at that time the IGZ of Campbeltown was ranked as the third area within Argyll and Bute experiencing the poorest outcomes with Lochgilphead ranking as the tenth.

49 people responded to the Place Standard consultation on Campbeltown, Drumlemble, Sound of Kintyre and Southend. The categories where respondents felt there was significant room for improvement were: Traffic and Parking, Work and Local Economy, Care and Maintenance and Influence and Sense of Control.

41 people responded to the Place Standard consultation on Lochgilphead. The categories where respondents felt there was significant room for improvement were: Public Transport, Streets and Spaces, Facilities and Amenities, Social Interaction and Care and Maintenance.

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

What strategic activity is also happening within the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islands area?

The following strategic activity is also happening within the Helensburgh and Lomond area and will be a key factor in reducing inequalities faced by the area. The CPP believes that the chosen activities for the year ahead will complement this ongoing work.

- Health and Social Care Partnership Locality Plans
- Lochgilphead, Ardrishaig and Tarbert Regeneration Fund
- Inveraray CARS
- Campbeltown CARS
- Crinan Canal Charrette
- Local Economic Development Action Plans

Existing Community Action Plans

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

- Ardrishaig
- Craginish
- Isle of Colonsay
- Isle of Jura
- Lochgilphead
- Tarbert and Skipness
- West Kintyre, East Kintyre, Campbeltown and Southend covered by South Kintyre Development Trust's Plan