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MINUTES of MEETING of HELENSBURGH AND LOMOND COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in the VICTORIA HALLS, HELENSBURGH on THURSDAY, 12 OCTOBER 2017

Present: Stuart McLean, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Chair)

Tulsa Davidson SFRS	Councillor Barbara Morgan
Councillor Lorna Douglas	Councillor Ellen Morton
Rona Gold, Argyll & Bute Council	Paul Robertson Police Scotland
Dawn Gourlay, Arrochar, Tarbet and Ardlui Community Council	Ronnie Ross, Arrochar, Tarbet and Ardlui Community Council
Mary Haggarty Arrochar, Tarbet, Ardlui Community Council	Samantha Somers, Argyll and Bute Council
Janice Kennedy, Scottish Enterprise	Caroline Swain, Argyll and Bute Council
Morevain Martin, Argyll and Bute Third Sector Interface	Matt Webb Police Scotland (Notes)

1. APOLOGIES AND WELCOME

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and acknowledged the apologies which he had received.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

None.

3. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Agreed and accepted

4. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

Samantha Somers provided an update of the meeting of 20 September, with two specific topics in relation to MoD personnel living out with the immediate area and the out of ours GP service at the Vale of Leven Hospital . Furthermore Chief Superintendent Hendren is the new chair of the CPP Management Committee.

All partners were encouraged to circulate the CPP Highlights document throughout their organisations and networks.

5. PARTNERS UPDATE

Tulsa Davidson (SFRS) gave a presentation outlining the transformation strategy of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service. Information was provided in relation to the financial implications, delivery model and the benefits to the future firefighter as well as the implications of a failure to transform the service. Councillor Morton raised the issue of youth engagement and the potential for future career opportunities.

Paul Robertson provided an update on behalf of Police Scotland in regard to the appointment of new personnel in the division and a profile around the anti social behaviour under Operation Code, a joint initiative involving British Transport Police, MoD, Police Scotland and Social Work. He also spoke about issues with military personnel reported in the local media involving licenced premises. A partnership approach was adopted and appeared to be working well. He also touched on joint working with SFRS in the lead up to Bonfire night and the focus on traffic complaints from members of the public with road stop and speeding checks. The festive campaign would again bring focus to responsible conduct on licensed premises. An update was also given on the financial impacts with a focus on modernisation of the service that had an impact on the police estate. Youth engagement work and the national park. Mary Haggerty raised an issue about wild camping on the old torpedo range opposite Arrochar. For consideration of patrol during the proactive joint initiatives between PS and National Park Rangers.

Discussion from elected members about speeding complaints at Colgrain and around local schools. Peninsula and Kilcreggan also mentioned as problematic locations for speeding and increased vehicle volume.

ACTION – Police Scotland: Proactive patrol of torpedo range site (officers have been deployed to monitor this and will do so in the future)

ACTION – Police Scotland to undertake patrols at schools once they return from the October break (patrols undertaken as part of ongoing action plan at schools and speed checks)

Janice Kennedy, Scottish Enterprise, provided an update around the maritime change programme. A demand assessment was underway with focus on support for spouses.

6. CONSIDERATION AND SIGN OFF OF H&L AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING ACTION PLAN

Rona Gold took the Group through the requirement placed on the Council by the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to publish locality plans, known as Community Planning Action Plans to address the inequality of experience across communities and have actions to address these. All Community Planning partners are responsible for ensuring the CPP delivers its commitments within the plans. The Plans are required to be signed off in October 2017 by Area Community Planning Groups and will form the basis of future meetings. Detailed discussion on the six points relevant to the area.

- Working with local retail community
- Positive destination for pupils leaving Hermitage Academy
- Establish Argyll College within Kirkmichael Centre
- Support to Kirkmichael Community Council group to aid its establishment
- Raise profile of area

- Support for Pier project

Discussion followed about support to Arrochar area as part of the National park with comment on litter, viewing platform and bar site spoken about.

7. REVIEW OF H&L CPG TERMS OF REFERENCE

The Group gave consideration to a report highlighting the revisions to the Area Community Planning Group (ACPG) Terms of Reference (TOR). The Terms of Reference were approved.

8. REVIEW OF MEMBERSHIP OF H&L CPG

The Group gave consideration to a report outlining the current membership detail together with changes and additional organisations who have, through local circumstances, joined the ACPG since membership was agreed in March 2015. Discussion took place in respect of organisations from a number of sectors where there is currently no representation.

ACTION – check names of those nominated.

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