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MINUTES of MEETING of BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in the TIMBER PIER BUILDING, DUNOON on TUESDAY, 14 AUGUST 2018

Present: Willie Lynch, Dunoon Community Council (Chair)

Councillor Jim Anderson, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor Jean Moffat, Argyll and Bute Council
Stuart McLean, Area Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Alison McGrory, NHS Highland
Sandra Cairney, NHS Highland
Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
Sharon MacDonald, Community Development Officer
Blair Moglia, Caledonian MacBrayne
Colin Mouslon, PA23 BID
Marilyn Rieley, Community Development Officer
Lorna Pearce, Senior Development Officer
Heather Greer, Strachar Hub
Ian Asher, Strachar Hub
Kirstie Reid, Strachur Community Council
Patrick White, Maxie Richards Foundations
Brian Leitch, Maxie Richards Foundations
Iona McPhail, ACHA
Sergeant Mark Wilson, Police Scotland
Michelle Rushden, Local Authority Liaison Officer Police Scotland
Eleanor Stevenson, South Cowal Community Council
Tom Elsby, Gateway Project
Kyle Wilson, Gateway Project

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Kevin Devine, Stuart McLean (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service), Cairndow Community Council, Jayne Lawrence-Winch and Councillor Audrey Forrest.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

The Chair ruled and the Committee agreed to alter the order of business in order to facilitate officer attendance, the following item was taken out of sequence.

8. (b) Police Scotland was taken after item 5. of the minute.

3. MINUTES

(a) Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group - 1st May 2018

The minutes of the meeting of the Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group held on 1 May 2018 were approved as a correct record.

4. MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The Area Community Planning Group gave consideration to issues highlighted within the briefing note from the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee held on 27 June 2018.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the content of the briefing note from the meeting of the Management Committee held on 27 June 2018.

(Reference: Briefing Note - Community Planning Partnership Management Committee update dated August 2018, submitted)

5. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING ACTION PLAN

(a) Presentation by Strachur Hub

The Area Community Planning Group received an informative presentation from Heather Greer and Ian Asher, Strachur Hub.

The presentation informed the Group about the background of the Strachur Hub delivery model, its vision, objectives and planned future growth as well as some of the services delivered, including Falls Prevention through Exercise and Chronic Pain Management Courses.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation from Strachur Hub.

(Reference: Presentation from Strachur Hub dated 14 August 2018, submitted).

(b) Transformation Projects and Regeneration

The Area Community Planning Group received a presentation from Lorna Pearce and Marilyn Rieley regarding the ongoing transformation and regeneration projects that are ongoing within Dunoon Area, including the town centre regeneration projects and Dunoon CARS.

The work being taken forward by the Dunoon Area Alliance was also highlighted, including the Doors Open Day 2018 which is scheduled to be

held on 22 and 23 September 2018.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation.

(Reference: Presentation and update by Senior Development Officer Bute and Cowal Development Officer dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

(c) Update on great places heritage bid

Lorne Pearce, Senior Development Officer, reported that an application to the Great Places Heritage fund had been unsuccessful. Benmore and Kilmun Community Development Trust had taken on the themes that had been generated during the original application process and are considering submitting their own application.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation.

(Reference: Verbal update by Senior Development Officer dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

(d) Update on Opportunities available for local businesses to engage with the Argyll and the Isles Tourism Co-Operative

Colin Mouslon updated the group on the current activities being taken forward by the PA2 BID. The BID is currently focusing on differentiating Dunoon from other areas by promoting the natural resources and landscape.

Several events are currently being planned including, Dunoon Dazzles and Sunset Ceremony. The European Water Skiing Championships had also been secured with work ongoing to ensure they are a success.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the update.

(Reference: Verbal update by Colin Mouslon dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

(e) Feeling Safe in Dunoon

Sergeant Mark Wilson, Police Scotland, reported that a consultation exercise undertaken in 2017 suggested that there was a perceived 'fear of crime' within Dunoon. Sergeant Wilson pointed to the low crime rates within the area and suggested that the fear was a consequence of unfounded reporting on social media.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the update.

(Reference: Verbal update by Police Scotland dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

8. ARGYLL AND BUTE OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2013-2023 - OUTCOME 6 (PEOPLE LIVE IN STRONGER AND SAFER COMMUNITIES)

(a) Police Scotland - Annual Update

Sergeant Mark Wilson provided the Area Community Planning Group with an update on various initiatives and current local priorities currently being taken forward by Police Scotland.

The Group were updated on the success of the Youth Engagement Officer Post, the Outreach Behaviour Groups, Police Service Youth Volunteers and the use of social media to engage with the public and upcoming events. Work was ongoing to progress the Rural Watchers initiative which had evolved from Neighbourhood Watch Schemes.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the update from Police Scotland.

(Reference: Verbal update by Police Scotland dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

6. COMMUNITY FOCUS

(a) Maxie Richard's Foundation - King's Court

The Area Community Planning Group received a presentation from Brian Leech and Patrick White on behalf of the Maxie Richard's Foundation.

Kings Court had been established 32 years ago in Tighnabruaich to support individuals with drug and alcohol dependencies. The facility continues to have the support of the local community, this support is reciprocated by clients often are being active within the local community.

Mr Whyte reported that the majority of the clients were referred to Kings Court from the Glasgow Area and that many individuals from Argyll and Bute were referred to the Glasgow Area for rehabilitation. Mr Whyte felt that many people from Argyll and Bute would benefit from receiving treatment within their own community.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation from the Maxie Richard's Foundation.
(Reference: Verbal update from Maxie Richard's Foundation dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

7. ARGYLL AND BUTE OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2013-2023 - OUTCOME 5 (PEOPLE LIVE ACTIVE, HEALTHIER AND INDEPENDENT LIVES)

(a) Health and Social Care Strategic Plan

Consideration was given to a report which sought feedback from the Area Community Planning Group on their role within health and social care and their response to the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Community Engagement Process proposals, specifically on eight strategic areas of service change required to deliver the ambitions of the HSCP over the life of the Strategic Plan.

Decision

1. The Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation.
2. The Area Community Planning Group agreed that members would feedback their individual responses to the Social Care Partnership Community Engagement Process proposals.

(Reference: Report by Associate Director of Public Health, dated 14 August 2018 submitted)

(b) Health and Well Being Annual Report

Consideration was given to the Health and Wellbeing Annual Report for 2017-18. The report was introduced by Alison McGrory, Health Improvement Principal, NHS Highland, the Group was invited to note the content of the report.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the content of the Health and Wellbeing Report for 2017-18.

(Reference: Report by Health Improvement Principal dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

8. ARGYLL AND BUTE OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2013-2023 - OUTCOME 6 (PEOPLE LIVE IN STRONGER AND SAFER COMMUNITIES)

(b) Scottish Fire and Rescue - Annual Update

Apologies were intimated by Scottish Fire and Rescue, therefore no

update was provided.

(c) **ACHA**

Iona McPhail updated the group on the current activities being taken forward by ACHA including Stock rationalisation and Estate Management Action Plan.

ACHA had faced several challenges over the winter months as a consequence of heavy snowfall. A great deal of time and effort had gone into mitigating the impact on residents.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation.

(Reference: Report and presentation by ACHA dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

9. PARTNERS UPDATE

(a) **Highlands and Islands Enterprise**

The Area Community Planning Group gave consideration to a report submitted by HIE which highlighted their activity across Argyll between April and June 2018.

The Chair raised concerns over the content of the report in that it was not Bute and Cowal specific.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the content of the report.

(Reference: Report by HIE, dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

(b) **Gateway Project**

Tom Elsby reported that the Gateway Project provides young people in Dunoon with a space where they feel safe, loved and respected. A purpose built facility for community and youth programmes in the town of Dunoon was currently being developed with an anticipated opening in 2020.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the update.

(Reference: Verbal update by Gateway Project dated 14 August 2018, submitted)

(c) **Caledonia MacBrayne**

Blair Moglia reported that 2 new Community Board Members had been appointed and that a new Corporate Social Responsibility Manager would be appointed within 2 weeks.

Decision

The Area Community Planning Group noted the update.

(Reference: Verbal update by Caledonian MacBrayne dated 14 August 2018, Submitted)

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 6 NOVEMBER 2018 AT 10:00AM IN EAGLESHAM HOUSE, ROTHESAY

The date of the next meeting was noted and it was agreed that suggestions for agenda items should be forwarded to the Area Committee Manager.

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