

Item

HELENSBURGH & LOMOND AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP

ARGYLL & BUTE TRANSPORT OUTCOMES REPORT FOR 2018/19

1 Introduction

1.1 This report will:

- Inform the Helensburgh & Lomond Area Community Planning Group of the preparation by SPT of the Argyll & Bute Transport Outcome Report (TOR);
- Highlight the connection between SPT activities and local outcomes from the Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP); and
- Highlight the focus given within the TOR to the services and benefits that SPT has delivered in 2017/18 together with details of the SPT – Argyll & Bute joint work streams for 2018/19.

2 Background

2.1 SPT has prepared a TOR for Argyll & Bute annually since 2008 as a means of demonstrating our commitment and contribution as a Community Planning partner through the delivery of key services, projects and initiatives.

2.2 The TOR is directly linked to the SPT Regional Transport Strategy (RTS) Delivery Plan 2018 – 2019¹ and is the local monitoring and planning element of SPT's suite of strategic plans.

2.3 SPT officers worked with Argyll & Bute colleagues to agree the key areas for partnership working for 2018/19.

2.4 The TOR summarises our commitment and contribution as a Community Planning Partner by detailing the links between the joint work streams and Argyll & Bute's local outcomes from Local Outcome Improvement Plan.

3 Content

3.1 The detailed content of the 2018/19 TOR is as follows:

- Policy Context - This section sets out linkages between the RTS and LOIP outcomes;
- Outputs and Performance – This section sets out progress on joint work streams between SPT and Argyll & Bute Council during 2017/18 and key transport indicators for each strategic outcome.
- *The Year Ahead* – This section sets out the key policy, planning and

¹ http://www.spt.co.uk/wmslib/Documents_RTS/rts-delivery-plan-201819-202021.pdf

capital projects being undertaken in 2018/19.

4 Capital Programme

- 4.1 SPT is providing grant funding of £250,000 to Argyll and Bute Council in 2018/19 to improve bus passenger infrastructure including accessibility improvements and bus priority such as lining and cages on the A814, progress delivery of the Helensburgh - Dumbarton cycleway and deliver an enforcement camera at the Rest and Be Thankful to reduce HGV and coach parking within the turning circle to ensure local and inter-urban services are able to make use of it for passenger boarding/alighting.

5 Local outcomes for Argyll & Bute

- 5.1 The TOR summarises the role of transport in achieving local outcomes with the following benefits highlighted:

- High quality public transport services and active travel can improve access to town centres, reduce car-dominated environments and promote centres as places to visit and invest.
- Reliable and accessible transport services and high quality travel information support residents to get to work, training or education.
- Good access to employment, training and learning and employment services supports improved learning and employability outcomes.
- Good access for children and families to education & learning, healthcare, shops with fresh foods, and a range of opportunities to socialise and be active supports improved health and learning.
- Good access to healthcare facilities and services, leisure and shopping opportunities, social networks and opportunities to interact with communities supports healthier and independent communities.
- Increasing walking and cycling can improve health outcomes for children and families and support mental health and well-being.
- Improving walking & cycling infrastructure can improve opportunities to incorporate regular physical activity into everyday life.
- Improving strategic connectivity across Argyll & Bute and other areas can increase the range of employment opportunities for residents and promote the area as an attractive place to visit, invest and grow.
- Improving road safety supports increased community interaction within more attractive, walkable environments.

6 Conclusion

- 6.1 The TOR summarises the SPT activities and investments delivered in 2017/18 that benefitted Argyll & Bute residents.

6.2 The TOR provides detailed information on the agreed SPT – Argyll & Bute joint work streams for 2018/19.

6.3 The TOR highlights the role of transport in achieving positive outcomes at the local level by noting the supporting relationship between the joint work streams agreed between SPT and Argyll & Bute and the local outcomes set out in the LOIP.

7 Recommendations

It is recommended that the Area Community Planning Group note the contents of the report.

Bruce Kiloh, Head of Policy and Planning
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