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MINUTES of MEETING of BUTE AND COWAL COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in EAGLESHAM HOUSE, ROTHESAY on TUESDAY, 7 MAY 2019

Present: Cathleen Russell, Colglen Community Council (Chair)
Willie Lynch, Dunoon Community Council (Vice-Chair)
Councillor Bobby Good, Argyll and Bute Council
Councillor Audrey Forrest, Argyll and Bute Council
Stuart McLean, Area Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council
Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
(Lync)
Sharon MacDonald, Community Development Officer, Argyll and Bute Council
Chief Inspector Douglas Wilson, Police Scotland
Iona McPhail, ACHA
Maggie Clark, Health and Social Care Partnership
Jane Williams, Health and Social Care Partnership
Robin Patel, ECHO Trail
Dinah McDonald, ECHO Trail
Jackie Shearer, Rothesay Pavilion
Julie Tait, Rothesay Pavilion
Fiona Gillespie, Isle of Bute Resilience
Greg Mercer Brown, Isle of Bute Resilience
Anne Kennovan, CLD Youth Worker
Blair McColm, Cowal Youth Forum
Xavier Graysmark, Cowal Youth Forum
Anne Campbell, Dunoon Area Alliance
Lorna Whyte, Live Argyll
Nicola Hackett, Live Argyll
Andy Revill, Dunoon Observer

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and general introductions were made.

Apologies for absence were intimated by:

Councillor Jim Anderson
Councillor Jim Findlay
Inspector Fiona Davidson, Police Scotland
Michelle Rusden, Police Scotland
Sharon Erskine, Home-Start MAJIK
Debbie Donald, Cairndow Community Council
Dee James, Rape Crisis

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were intimated.

3. MINUTES

(a) **Meeting of the Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group, held on Tuesday, 5 February 2019**

The minute of the Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group meeting of 5th February 2019 was approved as a correct record.

4. CPP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

(a) **CPP Full Partnership Highlights**

The Community Planning Officer presented a video showcasing the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Full Partnership meeting which took place on Wednesday, 28 March 2019 in the Queens Hall, Dunoon. She outlined the positive part that pupils from Dunoon Grammar School played in making the event a success.

The video for the CPP Full Partnership can be found by following this link: <https://vimeo.com/332182960>

Decision:

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

(Ref: Video by Community Planning Manager, dated 7 May 2019, Community Planning Partnership Agenda, 28 March 2019, submitted.)

5. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING ACTION PLAN - TRACKER

The Community Planning Officer outlined the engagement plan for the next iteration of the tracker and took the group through the progress of actions currently identified on the Area Community Planning Action Plan tracker.

Discussion took place in respect of the actions which were classed as not on track, with members of the group being satisfied that actions were being progressed where necessary and work is ongoing to pursue these actions.

Decision:

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

(Ref: Report by Area Community Planning Manager, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

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

(a) Health and Wellbeing Partnership Annual Update

The group gave consideration to a report which outlined the work currently being progressed by the eight local Health and Wellbeing Networks in Argyll and Bute. It highlighted the responsibilities of the Networks which included developing local action plans, holding local networking meetings and allocating the Health and Wellbeing small grant fund.

The Health Improvement Lead provided information regarding the future role of the Health and Wellbeing Partnership, which included information on the findings of an evaluation carried out in January 2019 as a result of falling attendance rates at partnership meetings and a lack of engagement from Community Planning partners; the merger of the working group for the Outcome 5 delivery plan with the Health and Wellbeing Partnership, which had culminated in the conclusion of the delivery plan for Outcome 5; the Health and Wellbeing priorities for 2019-20 and connecting Outcome 5 with the four Area Community Planning Groups.

Ms Clark agreed to provide to the Senior Committee Assistant for circulation to the wider group a flier in respect of a Health and Wellbeing event taking place on Friday, 10 May 2019 at 12.30pm in Inveraray for Partners who wished to attend. She also agreed to forward for circulation a link to the Survey Monkey highlighted in the report, and asked Partners to take the opportunity to complete the survey to enable improvements to the Bute and Cowal Health and Wellbeing Network.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

(Ref: Report by Health Improvement Lead, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

(b) Bute Health and Wellbeing Network

The Group considered an annual update report on the work currently being undertaken locally by the Bute Health and Wellbeing Network.

A representative from Bute Health and Wellbeing Network was not present at the meeting, therefore no further update was provided.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group noted the contents of the report.

(Ref: Report by Bute Health and Wellbeing Network Representative, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

(c) **Cowal Health and Well Being Network**

The Group considered an annual update report on the work currently being undertaken locally by the Cowal Health and Wellbeing Network.

A representative from Cowal Health and Wellbeing Network was not present at the meeting, therefore no further update was provided.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group noted the contents of the report.

(Ref: Report by Cowal Health and Wellbeing Network Representative, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

(d) **ECHOtrail**

The group gave consideration to a presentation from Robin Patel outlining the development of the East Cowal Heritage Outdoors (ECHO) Trail and its vision for promoting and evolving tourism resources in the area as well as encouraging community involvement in the project.

Discussion was held around the need for linkage into existing projects, local community groups and Community Councils.

Mr Patel agreed to collate a list of local resources including CPG Members, local projects and relevant Groups on Bute. The Senior Area Committee Assistant agreed to provide Mr Patel with contact details.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

(Ref: Presentation by Robin Patel, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

(e) **Argyll and Bute Rape Crisis**

The Group considered an update report on the service delivery for the Bute and Cowal Area by Rape Crisis.

A representative from Argyll and Bute Rape Crisis was not present at the meeting, therefore no further update was provided.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group noted the contents of the report.

(Ref: Report by Nicola Hall, Argyll and Bute Rape Crisis, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

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

(a) **Police Scotland Annual Update**

Chief Inspector Douglas Wilson provided the Group with a verbal update on incidents relating to the Bute and Cowal area for quarter 4 of 2018/19, which included continued work on road safety campaigns which had resulted in a 23% decrease in road related incidents.

Police Scotland are also working in partnership with Argyll and Bute Council, Transport Scotland and BEAR to improve signage and general road conditions. Chief Inspector Wilson also took the Group through statistics for crimes including violence and anti-social behaviour, public protection, domestic abuse and incidents involving drugs.

It was noted that that there is no significant concerns regarding crime rates in the Bute and Cowal Area.

He informed the Group that a detailed annual report was not yet available but would be circulated to the Group in due course.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the contents of the information provided.

(Ref: Verbal update by Police Scotland, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

(b) **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Annual Update**

A representative from Scottish Fire and Rescue was not present at the meeting and no report was submitted, therefore no update was provided.

(c) **ACHA Annual Update**

The group gave consideration to a presentation from Iona McPhail, ACHA. The presentation outlined current housing stock, new and refurbished properties, newly built office premises, statistical breakdown of the annual tenants satisfaction survey and the 10 10 10 initiative that provides funding for community projects and details of ongoing neighbourhood improvement scheme that would concentrate on improving communal areas in ACHA owned housing estates.

The Group held a conversation that highlighted the need for temporary accommodation for workers within Bute and Cowal.

Ms McPhail agreed to circulate details of available funding to the group.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the presentation.

(Reference: Presentation by ACHA, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

(d) Rothesay Pavilion - Contributing to a Stronger Community

The group gave consideration to a presentation from Julie Tait and Jackie Shearer from the Rothesay Pavilion which outlined the proposed layout and future uses of the Pavilion once the renovation works have been completed.

Jackie and Julie emphasised the importance and need for local knowledge and community engagement and encouraged the Group to sign up to the WAVE newsletter for up to date progress reports and further information on how groups can get involved.

The Senior Area Committee Assistant agreed to circulate the presentation and contact details.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group noted the presentation.

(Reference: Presentation by Jackie Shearer and Julie Tait, Rothesay Pavilion, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

8. COMMUNITY FOCUS

(a) Isle of Bute Resilience

The group gave consideration to a presentation from Fiona Gillespie and Greg Mercer Brown from the Isles of Bute Resilience Team. The Isles of Bute Resilience Team are a voluntary organisation set up in March 2018 to assist emergency services in times of need on Bute, such as missing people searches, marshalling at events, food parcel deliveries and flood prevention assistance.

The Group held a conversation around relevant groups that the Isle of Bute Resilience could link into and the feasibility of creating a Resilience Team in Cowal.

Decision

The Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

(Reference: Presentation by Isle of Bute Resilience, dated 7 May 2019, submitted)

9. PARTNERS UPDATE

Cowal Youth Forum

Blair McColm and Xavier Graysmark informed the Group of the importance of the Cowal Youth Forum in providing opportunities, activities and support to young people in the community who wouldn't otherwise have these opportunities. They also raised awareness of the impact the proposed funding cuts would have to the service and drew the Groups attention to ways in which meetings and partnership working could be altered to encourage more participation from a younger age demographic.

Bute and Cowal CAUCUS

Willie Lynch advised that current issues they are dealing with include, people accessing health services out with the Cowal Area and the suitability of the ferry infrastructure as well as outpatient travel costs. Meetings had been set up with Caledonian MacBrayne and the Health and Social Care Partnership to try and address the situation.

Live Argyll

Nicola Hackett advised that Live Argyll had launched a new reduced rate membership which had generated six hundred new members in four weeks across Argyll and Bute.

Live Argyll are currently involved in the McMillan Cancer Charity Move More programme and library service plan to help assist cancer patients.

Ms Hackett also advised that a further four years investment had been agreed for Active Schools which would include more targeted work with Police Scotland and youth services to support young people.

Health and Social Care Partnership

Jane Williams advised that work was ongoing to provide a three chair dialysis unit and trained nurses on Bute which would eliminate the need to travel for four dialysis patients living on the Island.

The Area Committee Manager informed the Group that a press release on the restructure of the Locality Planning Groups would be circulated to the Group at the conclusion of the meeting.

10. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The group noted that the next meeting of the Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group would take place at 10.00am on Tuesday, 6 August 2019 within the Timber Pier Building, Dunoon.

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