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## **MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN LORN & THE ISLES COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in the CORRAN HALLS, OBAN on WEDNESDAY, 8 MAY 2019**

**Present:** Councillor Elaine Robertson (Vice-Chair)  
Councillor Sir Jamie McGrigor  
Councillor Andrew Vennard  
Shona Barton, Area Committee Manager, Argyll & Bute Council  
Samantha Somers, Community Planning Officer, Argyll & Bute Council (Lync)  
Laura MacDonald, Community Development Officer  
John Sweeney, Scottish Fire and Rescue  
Alison Hardman, Health and Social Care Partnership  
Inspector Mark Stephen, Police Scotland  
John Fleming, Avich and Kilchrenan Community Council  
Maureen Evans, CLD Youth Worker  
Rachel Lawlor, Oban Youth Forum  
Caroline Henderson, HSCP  
Peter Darling, Oban Hospice  
David Entwistle, Oban Hospice  
Arlene Caldwell, North Argyll Young Carers  
Morag MacLean, North Argyll Carers  
Jane Darby, Kilmore and Kilbride Community Council

### **1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

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

Apologies for absence were intimated by:

Marri Malloy, Oban Community Council  
John Dregghorn, Service Improvement Officer  
Iona McPhail, ACHA  
Kirsty McLuckie, Oban Youth Café  
Joan Best, Crossroads North Argyll  
Margaret Adams, Ardchattan Community Council

### **2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were intimated.

### **3. MINUTES**

#### **(a) Meeting of the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group, held on Wednesday , 13 February 2019**

The minute of the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group meeting of 13<sup>th</sup> February 2019 was approved as a correct record subject to a change at Item 4. Partners Update (Health and Well Being Network) that Eleanor McKinnon had resigned from the organisation, not retired.

Councillor Robertson asked Inspector Stephen if a speed survey had been organised for Connel as per the previous minute. Inspector Stephen replied that it had.

#### **4. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIR TO THE OBAN, LORN AND THE ISLES AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP**

The Group were notified through the report that the previous Chair had served two consecutive terms of office and stood down in April 2019. The report outlined the procedure that must be followed to elect a new Chair.

##### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed:

1. To appoint John Fleming, Avich and Kilchrenan Community Council to the position of Chair; and
2. That Councillor Robertson would remain in the Chair for the remainder of the meeting with Mr Fleming taking up the position of the Chair for the next scheduled meeting in August.

(Ref: Report by Area Committee Manager dated 8 May 2019, submitted)

#### **5. PARTNERS UPDATE**

##### **Community Development – Argyll and Bute Council**

Laura MacDonald informed the Group that a community engagement event would be taking place on the 21<sup>st</sup> May in Lorn House, Oban with further information to be circulated by e-mail. She also advised that an email containing a survey and information on free sanitary items to help tackle period poverty would also be circulated.

##### **North Argyll Carers**

Morag MacLean reported a 38% increase in registrations and that a presentation on their caring together project which has recently been launched will be brought to a future meeting.

Ms McLean highlighted the importance of correctly identifying what constitutes a carer that will then allow support to be offered to those who require it.

##### **Police Scotland**

Inspector Stephen updated the Group on the current conditions of Oban Police Station citing that conditions were not as poor as had been reported in the press advising that an improvements group had been set up to identify different options for upgrading the building.

Inspector Stephen extended an invitation to the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Elected Members to visit the building.

## **6. CPP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

### **(a) CPP Full Partnership Highlights**

The Community Planning Officer presented a video that was now available showcasing the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Full Partnership meeting that took place on Wednesday, 28 March 2019 in the Queens Hall, Dunoon.

The video for the CPP Full Partnership can be found at <https://vimeo.com/332182960>

#### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

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

## **7. AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING ACTION PLAN - TRACKER**

The Community Planning Officer outlined the engagement plan for the next iteration of the Local Action Plan 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 are being progressed where necessary and work is ongoing to pursue these actions.

The Community Planning Officer encouraged the Groups participation in the work to produce the next iteration of the Plan and urged the partners to complete an online survey by the 30<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

The survey can be accessed here:  
<https://tinyurl.com/abcplacestandard>

Further information on the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Action Plan can be found here:  
<https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/community-planning-partnership>

#### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided and the plan will be updated to reflect progress.

(Ref: Report by Are Community Planning Manager dated 8 May 2019, submitted)

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

**(a) Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership**

The group gave consideration to a verbal update from Caroline Henderson, HSCP who advised that a community neighbourhood team involving partner agencies working together had been set up, an interim team leader is now in post and a single point of access for referrals has been created, which will streamline procedures for patients accessing multiple agency services.

Ms Henderson informed the group that the replacement of the CT scanner in Oban hospital will be completed by June 2019, a joint initiative with McMillan Cancer Support has provided funding to create two clinic rooms, two treatment rooms and a refurbished waiting area that will have its own separate entrance, this work is currently out to tender with an estimated completion time of ten to twelve weeks. A place of safety area for the admission of mental health patients has also been identified to provide a safe and secure environment for assessment and treatment. Ms Henderson outlined ongoing recruitment challenges with the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area which are mainly due to the rural location and lack of affordable housing stock.

The group were advised that the structure of the Locality Planning Groups was changing and an advert is currently out for two community representatives per area with a closing date of the 17<sup>th</sup> May 2019.

Concerns were raised by the group regarding the suitability of the Locality Planning Groups for representing the needs of island communities and that the islands had been grouped together with individual islands needs not being assessed.

Ms Henderson informed the Group that Judy Orr had been appointed as the Head of Finance and Transformation – Argyll and Bute Health and Social Care Partnership.

**Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided

(Ref: Verbal update by HSCP dated 8 May 2019, submitted)

**(b) Health and Wellbeing Update**

The group gave consideration to a report which outlined the works 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 Officer provided information in relation to 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 has 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.

The Health Improvement Lead Officer informed the Group that a Health and Wellbeing event was taking place on Friday, 10 May 2019 at 12.30pm in Inveraray for Partners who wished to attend. She also highlighted a link to a survey monkey contained within the report and encouraged partners to complete it.

Thanks were recorded to Eleanor McKinnon for her hard work and commitment to the partnership for many years and the Group were informed that Kirsty McLuckie had recently taken up a post within the partnership.

### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

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

#### **(c) Eader Glinn Update**

The Group gave consideration to a report outlining the development of the Eader Glinn project which is now part of the wider Argyll & Bute Care Homes & Housing Project.

A two stage community engagement consultation is currently underway to identify possible future service delivery options.

### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to note the information provided.

(Ref: Report by Service Improvement Officer dated 8 May 2019, submitted)

## **9. COMMUNITY FOCUS**

#### **(a) Oban Hospice**

Representatives Peter Darling and David Entwistle from Oban Hospice had to leave the meeting, therefore no update was provided.

### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed this item be brought back to the August meeting.

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

**(a) Police Scotland Annual Update**

This item was taken at item 5. Partners Update of the minute.

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

John Sweeney provided a breakdown of incidents relating to the OLI area for quarter 4 of 2018/19 noting there was a spike in false alarm numbers and an increase in special service incidents but overall incident numbers remained low.

He highlighted activities taking place within local communities including ongoing fire safety visits requesting that partner agencies refer anybody classed as vulnerable, a multi-agency exercise on Mull and Tiree was recently undertaken and was a very successful event and a partnership community engagement week was also very successful.

John Sweeney noted the recent passing of Graeme McCracken who would be a massive loss to the Oban Community.

**Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed:

1. To note the contents of the information provided and;
2. That the Area Committee Manager include concerns raised by the Group regarding the remoteness of the Dalavich area for emergency response times and the suggestion of a volunteer fire crew for the area in the highlight report to the next meeting of the CPP Management Committee.

(Ref: Verbal update by Scottish Fire and Rescue dated 8 May 2019, submitted)

**(c) ACHA Annual Update**

Iona McPhail on behalf of ACHA had submitted apologies to the meeting and the Chair agreed to defer this item to the August meeting.

**11. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Group noted that the next meeting of the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group would take place at 6.30pm on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> August 2019 in the Corran Halls, Oban.