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## Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership

### Bute and Cowal Area Community Planning Group

31 October 2023

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## Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

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This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee which was held on 7 September 2023. The briefing is for noting and relevant discussion.

### Summary

The CPP Management Committee met on the 7 September 2023 with the meeting being held on a hybrid basis from the Council Chambers, Kilmory and via MS Teams. This update provides an overview of the discussion which took place.

Reports which were discussed at the meeting can be found by following this link - [Agenda for Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership - Management Committee on Thursday, 7 September 2023, 10:30 am - Argyll and Bute Council \(argyll-bute.gov.uk\)](https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/argyll-and-bute-community-planning-partnership-management-committee-on-thursday-7-september-2023-1030-am)

## HIGHLIGHTS

### Matters Arising from Area Community Planning Groups

An update was provided on the discussions which had taken place at all 4 Area Community Planning Groups during the August 2023 cycle of meetings. The Management Committee noted the report highlights, the changes to the Chair and Vice Chair positions for both the Oban Lorn & The Isles and the Mid Argyll, Kintyre & the Islands ACPGs, and the request from the Bute and Cowal ACPG for a meeting to discuss the Dunoon-Gourock car ferry.

## CROSS CUTTING THEMES

### Climate Change

Stan Philips gave a presentation in addition to his paper on "Addressing the Climate Emergency in Argyll and Bute project by the Climate Change Working Group (CCWG)". Mr Philips advised that recruitment is underway for the Argyll and Bute Climate Action Project Manager who will undertake the development of the Argyll and Bute Climate Change Mitigation, Adaptation and Engagement Strategy and

Action Plan. Interviews have been held and a preferred candidate has been selected.

The Project Manager post will be hosted by Argyll and the Isles Coast and Countryside Trust who will provide day-to-day line management. A Steering Group will be established to provide support and guidance to the Project Manager and oversight of the Project. The Steering Group will report to the Climate Change Working Group, which reports to the CPP.

### **Financial Inclusion**

Fergus Walker submitted a written update that highlighted the range of work being delivered around financial inclusion, including Crisis Grants, Community Care Grants, Discretionary Housing Payments, Flexible Food and Fuel Fund, and School Clothing Banks.

The report also advised that the Council Tax team had processed applications from customers for the Energy Bill Support Scheme and Alternative Payment Fund on behalf of the UK government. These schemes, which are now closed, were aimed at people who do not have a direct relationship with an energy supplier and therefore hadn't benefitted from the £400 grant that reduces energy bills or the £200 for those using oil or gas central heating.

### **Community Wealth Building (CWB)**

Takki Sulaiman presented an update on the mapping exercise being undertaken by CLES, funded by TSI on behalf of the CPP. Takki advised that CLES have conducted key informant interviews and held community based workshops in each of the administrative areas.

### **UPDATE ON THE ARGYLL AND BUTE OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN DEVELOPMENT**

Rona Gold provided an update on the development of the new 10-year Argyll and Bute Outcomes Improvement Plan. Short presentations were delivered by Miss Gold, Lucy Dunbar and John McLuckie on the three priority themes of Community Wellbeing, Housing and Transport Infrastructure respectively.

### **UPDATE ON PRESENTATION OF THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH REPORT ON PREVENTION TO THE IJB HIGHLIGHTS**

The Management Committee considered and noted a public health report on the ongoing wellbeing and prevention activities overseen and delivered by the HSCP Public Health Team in Argyll and Bute. Sam Campbell, Health Improvement Principal, presented a number of key messages from the 2022 annual report of the Director of Public Health on Prevention. The full report can be found at:- [NHS DPH Annual Report 2022 \(adobe.com\)](#)

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