

**MINUTES of MEETING of COMMUNITY PLANNING MANAGEMENT
COMMITTEE**
**held in the AROS Board room, LOCHGILPHEAD on Wednesday,
6th February 2008**

Present:: Superintendent Raymond Park, Strathclyde Police (Chair)
Eileen Wilson, Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership Manager
Geoff Calvert, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue
Elaine Garman, NHS Highland
Sue Gledhill, HIE Argyll and the Islands
Andrew Campbell, Scottish Natural Heritage
Alan Murray, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport
David Dowie, Communities Scotland
Brian Barker, Argyll and Bute Council
Margaret Fyfe, Argyll and Bute Council
Muriel Kupris, Argyll and Bute Council
Kevin O'Hare, Scottish Water
James McLellan, Argyll and Bute Council
David Penman, Strathclyde Fire and Rescue
Moirra MacDonald, Argyll and Bute Council
Hughie Donaldson, latEdge
Glenn Heritage, Argyll and Bute Volunteer Centre
Peter Wotherspoon, latEdge, Jura
Stephen Sunderland, Scottish Government Rural Payments and
Inspections Directorate
Roanna Taylor, Argyll and Bute Young Scot/Dialogue Youth
Jane Fowler, Argyll and Bute Council
John Davidson, Islay and Jura CVS – Item 11 Onwards

In attendance:

Sonya Thomas, Argyll and Bute Council

Apologies:

Gordon Donaldson, Forestry Commission Scotland
Malcolm MacFadyen, Argyll and Bute Council
David Price, Argyll CVS
Bill Dundas, Rural Payments and Inspections, Scottish Government

ITEM	DETAIL	ACTION
1.	<p>WELCOME</p> <p>Raymond Park welcomed everyone to the meeting and noted apologies intimated</p>	
2.	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS FULL PARTNERSHIP MEETING HELD ON 9TH NOVEMBER 2007</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting of 9th November 2007 were accepted as an accurate record.</p> <p>MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>Another Argyll and Bute Post Office has been earmarked for closure, the consultation period expires in approx 3 weeks time. Kirn Post Office has been given a temporary reprieve to allow the community to explore a possibly buy-out.</p>	
3.	<p>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 28TH NOVEMBER 2007</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting of 28th November 2007 were accepted as an accurate record.</p>	
4.	<p>MATTERS ARISING</p> <p>a) Enterprise Company Changes</p> <p>As of 1st April it becomes part of HIE working within three teams-</p> <p>Business Growth Growth at the Edge (GATE) Transformation Projects and Partnerships.</p> <p>The focus will now be on the Government Economic Strategy and sustainable growth. The future is more focused and the work will increasingly concentrate on three areas.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • With business' that have growth potential • Strengthening local communities, especially in fragile areas • Improving regional competitiveness through conditions and infrastructure. <p>But they will not provide support to business' that just cater for local needs.</p>	

	<p>The changes are being viewed as an opportunity to work much closer with Local Authorities’.</p> <p>A discussion followed on the support for small local business’ and the Council developing the Business Gateway to become the first port of call for assistance. HIE will continue support after April 1st to allow new business support systems to be put in place.</p> <p>The Local Economic Forum will also cease to exist as of April 1st. It is expected that new structures will be put in place with the emphasis on business’ and their scope to influence the economy, with possible use of HIE wide panels and web based input.</p> <p>ACTION POINT - Item on next Management Committee Agenda</p> <p>b) Citizens Panel – Tender Process</p> <p>Eileen Wilson reported there has been a good response and the short listing will be done tomorrow. Overall it looks very positive.</p> <p>c) Engaging Young People</p> <p>Update by Roanna Taylor - The Youth Forum will meet in 2 weeks, prior to the next CPP Full Partnership meeting. They will have the Full Partnership agenda for discussion and the opportunity to add items to the agenda as the intention is for two young people to attend the next Full Partnership meeting.</p> <p>It is felt that the Youth Forums are not accessing a wide enough audience.</p> <p>Roanna Taylor is to contact Active Schools to develop the engagement of our youth.</p> <p>Concerns were raised that Dialogue Youth needs funding, and that currently each area is going about this in it’s own way.</p> <p>Reassurance was given that under the new funding arrangement, Dialogue Youth will not become a casualty.</p> <p>d) Migrant Workers</p> <p>Lucinda Gray recently headed up a local group.</p> <p>It was noted that one point of the Argyll and Bute Local Plan links with the Government Economic Strategy for increased population and the CPP is positive about promoting population growth but this also needs to encompass housing and infrastructure - and a clear strategy for achieving this needs to be developed.</p>	<p>Jane Fowler, A.I.E, Scottish Enterprise Dunbartonshire.</p> <p>Roanna Taylor</p>
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	<p>Lucinda felt it was too early to focus the group but identify clearer aims and the need to look at the good practical work undertaken in other areas and other projects.</p> <p>The vacant MOD land at Campbeltown and Helensburgh were discussed.</p> <p>ACTION POINT – Bring more people into the debate - develop a communication plan to promote change.</p> <p>Item on the next CPP Management Committee agenda</p> <p>It was suggested that perhaps the MOD could be invited to the next meeting regarding land at Campbeltown and Helensburgh.</p> <p>e) Communities Scotland</p> <p>The whole of the Scottish Government Housing Division along with Communities Scotland is being re-organised in 6 sections.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Regeneration 2) Housing Access and Support 3) Housing Systems 4) Social Housing 5) Investment Delivery 6) Communities Analytical Services <p>There is now a question mark as to whether Communities Scotland will remain a Partner of Community Planning. It was agreed to write to Mike Foulis, Director for Housing and Regeneration, Communities Scotland – copying to Jim Mather MSP/relevant minister, setting out our concerns and requesting that Communities Scotland continue to participate in CPP</p>	<p>Eileen Wilson</p> <p>Eileen Wilson</p>
5.	<p>FAIRER SCOTLAND FUND AND SINGLE OUTCOME AGREEMENTS</p> <p>Letter From John Swinney</p> <p>John Swinney’s letter was discussed highlighting the overall economic purpose, the 5 strategic priorities and the 15 key objectives.</p> <p>It was felt that the CPP could and should do more – there should be cohesion of service delivery at local level.</p> <p>Single Outcome Agreements</p> <p>Guidance has been received from Cosla</p> <p>The CPP has been mapped to the 15 National Outcomes against the matrix of 45 indicators</p> <p>The CP Partners need to identify and match themselves/their organisations with the National Outcomes - Argyll and Bute Council will not always take the lead.</p> <p>Fairer Scotland Fund</p> <p>There is a £320,000 reduction in monies available for 2008/9, therefore activities that can be contracted or the re-deployment of staff need to be identified. The priority needs to be in managing this</p>	

	<p>reduction, and the CPP needs to indicate the principles for the contraction. Is there a possibility that Health and Equalities and Community Regeneration can be pulled together. In the longer term there is a fund increase which could possibly provide support for community or voluntary organisations.</p> <p>ACTION POINT – The Management Committee agreed the benefit of the Single Outcome Agreement and that there would be a continuation of discussion at future Management Committee Meetings.</p>	
6.	<p>AUDIT SCOTLAND UP DATE</p> <p>Report noted</p>	
7.	<p>LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING – SUSTAINABILITY WORKSHOP</p> <p>As one of the key principles of the new Fairer Scotland Fund is <i>‘Empowering communities and individuals to influence and inform the decisions made by CPP’s’</i> there is a clear opportunity to work more closely with colleagues in Community Learning and Regeneration and with the Voluntary Sector to deliver Local Community Planning. The Sus it Out training went well and the intention is still to deliver local community planning across Argyll and Bute with CP partner volunteers trained in Sus it Out facilitation but in future this should be done in closer partnership with Community Learning and Regeneration and the Voluntary Sector. In the meantime Glenn Heritage offered assistant with developing a protocol to enable the voluntary sector to participate more effectively with Community Planning</p>	Eileen Wilson to contact Glen Heritage
8.	<p>INITIATIVE AT THE EDGE</p> <p>a) Verbal Up Date From Hughie Donaldson</p> <p>Agreement from all Partners needed soon for support, and the need for a dedicated person was highlighted. latEdge will meet with the James McLellan and other Senior Officers from Argyll and Bute Council to discuss this. It is anticipated that as of Jan 2010 latEdge will lose it’s distinct status and become mainstreamed within Community Planning.</p> <p>ACTION POINT – This needs fuller discussion and Hugh Donaldson will come back with more detail of requirements</p> <p>b) Letter From Lismore Community Development Trust</p> <p>Noted.</p>	Hugh Donaldson

9.	<p>PARTNERSHIP FEEDBACK</p> <p>a) Funding For DRIVESafe The project needs more funding. Partners are to contact Eileen or Dave McBride with their organisational requirements. Dave is currently looking into Private Sector funding.</p> <p>ACTION POINT – Eileen Wilson to continue discussion with Partners via e-mail</p> <p>b) Jura Development Trust Leaflet distributed for information and up-dates. Developments noted.</p>	Eileen Wilson
10.	<p>FUNDING</p> <p>a) European Funding Programme Up-Date Noted.</p> <p>b) Summary Of Funding Hub Pitches 28th November 2007 Noted.</p>	
11.	<p>CITIZENS PANEL</p> <p>Report attached. The survey focused on 4 themes within Vibrant Communities.</p>	
12.	<p>HAPPY TO TRANSLATE</p> <p>A presentation was given by Rohini Sharma Joshi on the services available from Happy to Translate. Further information can be obtained from their website – www.happytotranslate.com</p>	
13.	<p>2008 REVISED MEETING SCHEDULE</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
14.	<p>AOCB.</p> <p>No Matters arising.</p>	
15.	<p>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</p> <p>The next meeting will take place on 19th March in the AIE Boardroom, Lochgilphead.</p>	

The Funding Hub meeting followed this.