

Third Sector Partnership – Argyll and Bute. Single Delivery Framework - Overview

Purpose:

- Infrastructure support to front-line organisations is of good quality, appropriate and timely and available and accessible to all, regardless of geography and rurality factors.
- Support to volunteers and volunteering development across Argyll and Bute including support, information and related advice to volunteer involving organisations is achieved through range of initiatives, training and recognition measures which encompass partnership working.
- Social Enterprises across Argyll and Bute are supported, informed and connected through an effective and engaged Social Enterprise Network
- A conduit for effective two-way communication to disseminate information and to consult and engage with the Third Sector is maintained and strengthened through Third Sector Partnership organisations.
- Effective and authorised representation of the sector on multi-agency groups, influencing local and regional policy development and linking with the Community Planning Partnership for Argyll and Bute endorses and strengthens the relationship with Community Planning Partnership and allied networks.

Objective	Outcomes
<p>1. The Partnership will support and enable a vibrant and strong third sector in Argyll and Bute, actively engaged in Community Planning, by providing the mechanisms for a more coordinated and through which the voice of the sector can be heard regardless of size, thematic scope or geography.</p>	<p>a. Third sector fora linked to Local Area Community Planning Groups and to strategic level eg CPP, CHP are extended to minimum of 7 area fora and TSP works to increase level of involvement at local fora.</p> <p>b. Website argyllcommunities.org carries updates and information relevant to all 3rd sector organisations and communities.</p> <p>c. News and information is circulated in appropriate and timely manner to keep the sector fully informed</p> <p>d. TSP core partners will share development plans and work to co-ordinate activities across Argyll and Bute</p> <p>e. The TSP commits to representing the wider sector at strategic and local level in a manner which is clear, transparent and open.</p> <p>f. The TSP is a signatory to the Principles of Representation agreed between all CPP partners</p>
<p>2. The Third Sector Partnership will adhere to monitoring requirements of funders and stakeholders eg Scottish Government and CPP, and where necessary develop internal monitoring mechanisms to ensure quality management systems and effectively manage risk.</p>	<p>a. TSP will report to CPP in accord with the Pyramid scorecard and participate in the Managing Intelligence data system as required by Scottish Government. Additional reporting to Scottish Government, once confirmed by SG will be adhered to by all partners.</p> <p>b. Additionally, where there is clear need and to evidence impact, TSP will monitor its own effectiveness and highlight risk and exception areas.</p>
<p>3. The Partnership will work to upskill and empower and enable communities and, through the wider sector, give all communities the opportunity to influence</p>	<p>a. TSP will demonstrate its ability to involve communities and to ensure that their voices are heard.</p> <p>b. An increase in capacity building which directly impacts on an organisation's sustainability.</p>

decisions which affect their lives.	
4. The Partnership will provide continued quality services to enable and support volunteers and volunteering development within our communities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Opportunities to showcase the contribution of volunteering will be sought through range of media and event participation. b. Commitment to involve volunteers in all aspects of work and recognise the 2 way benefits to volunteers and to organisations c. Volunteers are valued and respected in Argyll and Bute d. Active steps are taken to increase the number of volunteers and the range of available opportunities.
5. The Partnership will inform, advise and support volunteer involving organisations and their volunteers, adding value to the social economy within Argyll and Bute and enabling organisations to measure their social impact..	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Volunteer involving organisations have their training needs supported by range of training and support mechanisms b. Training and support provision is based on assessed need and new legislation and regulations which impact on voluntary and community organisations. c. Extent and social value and impact of volunteering is monitored, recorded and information made available. d. Guidance and resources are available which support the development and activity of volunteering.
6. The Partnership will make support, training and advice available to all voluntary and community sector organisations across Argyll and Bute.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. AVA to achieve accreditation for 75% of its courses and workshops over 12 month period. b. Training needs analysis will be carried out by each CVS at minimum on annual basis. c. Enquiries are dealt with in reasonable timeframe appropriate to the capacity of infrastructure organisations d. Communities across our rural and island areas have equality of opportunity to access support provision.
7. The Partnership will work to ensure that support is coordinated with the Council, stakeholders, partners and other providers, based on need, delivered in a timely manner and to a recognised quality standard.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Actions will be taken to avoid duplication and to support best value across public and third sectors in delivery of services. b. All core partners of TSP achieve EFQM C2E by March 2011 and uphold standards underpinned by the quality mark. c. Resources will be utilised in line with best value principles and in consistent manner.
8. Social enterprise organisations are well informed, and enabled to network at local and national level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Existing and emerging social enterprises will be encouraged to participate in the 7 x Third Sector Fora as well as 4 regional ABSEN meetings per annum. b. A newsletter will be produced (average 2 per month) to inform social enterprises about current regional and national initiatives and to share good practice. c. Social enterprise specific information will be disseminated by both the ABSEN and argyllcommunities.org websites. d. An annual conference will be held to celebrate and share good practice and to raise the

	profile of successful social enterprises.
<p>9. Social enterprise organisations are supported and offered training and advice to enable a growing and thriving social enterprise sector in Argyll and Bute.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. An annual audit of social enterprises will be completed, including an identification of training needs. Relevant courses will be subsequently sourced, delivered by TSP partners or external providers. Specialist raining opportunities outwith Argyll & bute will also be promoted. b. A system of signposting and/or peer support will continue to be provided to social enterprises, through close working with TSP Core Partners and in partnership with other agencies (e.g. HISEZ., HIE, Firstport, DTAS etc) c. Working in partnership with the Carnegie Foundation UK, HIE and Argyll & Bute Council good practice from outwith the region will be promoted and new social enterprises encouraged and developed to address service provision in rural areas. d. Public procurement opportunities will be promoted. e. Support will be given to primary and secondary schools wishing to incorporate social enterprise into their curriculum.