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**Title: Update Report on Helensburgh Lomond Local Community
Planning Group**

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1** This report summarises progress which the Helensburgh Lomond Local Community Planning Group has made in progressing the development of an action plan and the effective scrutiny of delivery of outcomes.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1** That the Community Planning Partnership note the progress which the Helensburgh Lomond Local Community Planning Group has made in developing the group as an effective partnership group which is focussed on delivering agreed outcomes for their area.

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1** The Helensburgh Lomond LACPG has established a regular meeting cycle, and meetings are being attended by most core partners, and by Community Councils and community groups.
- 3.2** Outcomes from the first Community Seminar held in early Summer have been progressed, and incorporated where possible into the Area Community Plan. The second “ Forward Together” seminar, which was held in Helensburgh on 13th November, allowed community representatives to consider priorities and potential amendments to the plan in light of the current public sector budget situation. The plan will now be revised in light of this community engagement work, and will be considered for final agreement at the January meeting of the Group.
- 3.3** A Performance Scorecard is being developed to enable effective scrutiny of progress in delivery of outcomes to be undertaken by the LACPG. Reporting on progress will take place at all future meetings of the LACPG, and will be made to future Community Seminars.
- 3.4** At the November meeting a Partnership Agreement which outlines keys aims and responsibilities for partners in the group was considered and agreed. Work will now be taken forward to identify local partnership groups and develop reporting mechanisms for them via Highlight and Exception reporting. It is anticipated that in progressing this work some rationalisation of existing partnerships is likely.

- 3.5** The group have also considered items relating to their role in progressing effective community engagement within Helensburgh Lomond, and agreed to adopt the suggested Consultation Diary as one method of taking forward this work.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1** The Helensburgh Lomond Local Community Planning Group has made good progress in establishing membership of the group, and agreeing an Area Action Plan. The performance Scorecard for the group is at an early stage of development, but will progress over the next few meeting cycles. The ongoing work in developing the partnership into an effective working group is very much work in progress, but is supported by all partners in the area and by community groups.

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