

MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN LORN & THE ISLES LOCAL AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP held in the STUDIO THEATRE - CORRAN HALLS, OBAN on WEDNESDAY, 13 JUNE 2012

Present: Councillor Louise Glen-Lee (Area Lead Councillor)
Shirley MacLeod, Governance Manager, ABC
Chief Inspector Brian Auld, Strathclyde Police
Councillor Fred Hall, Ward 4
Veronica Kennedy, NHS Highland
Laura Macdonald, Community Development Officer
Councillor Iain MacDonald, Ward 5
Councillor Alasdair MacDougall, Ward 4
Eleanor MacKinnon, Third Sector Partnership
Councillor Roderick McCuish, Ward 4
Duncan Martin, Community Councils
Eileen Wilson, Community Planning Officer
Marri Malloy, Oban CC
Kenneth MacIntyre, Oban CC
Kate Connelly, Governance & Law
Superintendent Barry McEwan, Strathclyde Police
Jane Gillies, Area Governance Assistant
Councillor Elaine Robertson (from 3pm)

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Devon, due to other Council business
Councillor MacIntyre, due to other Council business.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Minutes of the previous meeting held on 11th April were agreed as a correct record, subject to the following amendments:

Item 9: Replace the words "Eleanor MacKinnon" with "Pamela Lockhart";

Item 11: Remove the words "District General" in reference to the hospital;

Item 12: Add the following hyperlink to request a copy of the Better Community Engagement resource pack as a hard copy or on DVD:
Communitydevelopment@argyll-bute.gov.uk

3. PARTNERSHIP UPDATES

Eleanor MacKinnon: reported on a successful meeting of the Third Sector Forum with local Elected Members, and updated on Third Sector issues. Arising from this it was agreed that minutes of the full Council meeting held on 14 June 2012 be circulated in relation to details of public events licensing.

CI Brian Auld, Strathclyde Police: updated on policing matters in the area, highlighting areas of concern and advising on the Flexible Policing Team for priority areas.

Arising from this it was agreed that a meeting be arranged between Elected Members, Strathclyde Police and Oban Community Council to discuss parking issues.

A further meeting to be arranged with Sustrans and Dunollie representatives to discuss the cycle path.

4. LORN AND ISLANDS HOSPITAL TASK GROUP UPDATE

Veronica Kennedy, NHS Highland: updated on progress with Locality, Re-design and Mental Health issues at Lorn and the Islands Hospital, advising that the Dental Unit is progressing with work due to start in August; updating on vacancies and posts filled; and publicising the Mull Progressive Care Centre with a handover date in August.

5. COMMUNITY SAFETY FORUM & LINKAGES TO OTHER GROUPS ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL - GOVERNANCE AND LAW

The Group considered a report updating and informing on the status and membership of the Local Community Safety Forums, and outlining where these lie in relation to other groups such as LACPG and the Argyll and Bute Community Safety Partnership.

Decision:

- (a) To note the current status of the CSFs in the Oban Lorn and the Isles Area;
- (b) To acknowledge the Community Safety Forum as a key strategic partner; and
- (c) To request Highlight and Exception reports be submitted from the Community Safety Forum for consideration by the LACPG.

(Ref: Report by Shirley MacLeod, Area Governance Manager, submitted)

6. NEW COMMUNITY PLAN - ARGYLL AND BUTE COUNCIL, IMPROVEMENT AND HR - EILEEN WILSON

It was agreed that this document be submitted to the August meeting for further discussion. The group further agreed that a Short Life Working Group, comprising Councillor Robertson, Chief Inspector Auld, Shirley MacLeod, Laura Macdonald and Eleanor MacKinnon be set up to develop a local identity for Oban Lorn and the Isles and to progress effective community planning / engagement for the area.

7. CRITICAL ACTIVITY RECOVERY PLAN

The Council's Strategic Management Team approved the establishment of a project to undertake the review of the Council's Business Continuity arrangements. The project was initiated on 1st February and is due to be completed by the 31st July 2012. This report presented by Kate Connelly provided details of consultation arrangements incorporated as part of the approved project plan

The Group:

- (a) Noted current plans to incorporate feedback with communities and other stakeholders at this stage of the review;
- (b) agreed to help facilitate local arrangements in order to maximise

- input from local groups and organisations;
- (c) noted that since the project was initiated in February this year, a comprehensive mapping exercise has been completed to take account of changes in the Council's structure;
 - (d) noted that the scope and nature of critical activities has been scrutinised, resulting in a significant reduction of the number of activities confirmed as critical. The revised list has not yet been confirmed but will undoubtedly include services to protect and assist vulnerable people e.g. children and elderly.

(Ref: Report by Kate Connelly, Project Officer, submitted)

8. THEMATIC GROUP REPORTS

The Group noted minutes from the Thematic Groups.

