
Title: Dates for Area Community Planning Group Meetings

1. SUMMARY

- 1.1** This report provides the Management Committee with information regarding recommendations from the Council about frequency, proposed meeting cycles and renaming Local Area Community Planning Groups.

2. RECOMMENDATIONS

- 2.1** The Management Committee approve the proposals on:
Renaming to Area Community Planning Groups
Frequency and proposed meeting dates
Holding area fora in November each year commencing with November 2012

3. BACKGROUND

- 3.1** The Council has been considering it's Political Management Arrangements and putting in place a meeting programme to facilitate effective decision making. As part of it's consideration of such matters the Council has also considered frequency and scheduling of meetings of Local Area Community Planning Groups, of which of which the Council is a core Member. The Council has also considered the title of these groups as is proposing a change to this.
- 3.2** The Council is proposing the title of these groups is amended from Local Area Community Planning Groups to "area" Community Planning Groups so they become:
Bute and Cowal Community Planning Group
Helensburgh and Lomond Community Planning Group
Mid Argyll, Kintyre and Islay Community Planning Group
Oban, Lorn and Isles Community Planning Group
- 3.3** The Council has agreed that Area Community Planning Groups shall, subject to the agreement of partners, meet quarterly in March, June, September and December, in the afternoon of the first Tuesday of the relevant month in Bute and Cowal, the afternoon of the first Wednesday of the relevant month in MAKI, the afternoon of the second Tuesday of the relevant month in Helensburgh Lomond, and the afternoon of the second Wednesday of the relevant month in OLI.

- 3.4** If the Management Committee is in agreement with this meeting schedule it would mean that Local Area Community Planning Groups would meet on the following dates for the remainder of 2012:

Bute & Cowal	afternoon of Tuesday 4 th September 2012 afternoon of Tuesday 4 th December 2012
MAKI	afternoon of Wednesday 5 th September 2012 afternoon of Wednesday 5 th December 2012
H'burgh/Lomond	afternoon of Tuesday 11 th September 2012 afternoon of Tuesday 11 th December 2012
OLI	afternoon of Wednesday 12 th September 2012 afternoon of Wednesday 12 th December 2012.

- 3.5** When considering the role of community planning at a local level as part of its review of political management arrangements the Council also decided subject to agreement and support of community planning partners to hold an area forum in each area annually in November. It was envisaged these would be similar to the former forward together events. Community planning partners are asked to endorse this approach. Subject to this endorsement the Council will work with partners to develop a programme of meetings for November 2012.

4. CONCLUSION

- 4.1** The Council have agreed a series of meeting dates to facilitate effective decision making within their own and partnership structures and are asking the Community Planning Partnership to agree the dates detailed above to enable the work of Area Community Planning Groups to continue to move forward effectively. Agreement will enable dates to be circulated timeously to facilitate proactive involvement by all partners in compiling agendas. It is anticipated that dates for meetings of Area Community Planning Groups for 2013 will be considered for agreement by the Management Committee at their meeting in December 2012.

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