

Three Towns Locality Partnership

Wednesday 18 March 2020 at 6.00 p.m, Ardrossan Civic Centre, Glasgow Street, Ardrossan

Business

Item	Subject	Pg No	Ref	Officer	Timings
1.	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest.		-	Cllr Gurney	6.00 – 6.05
2.	Action Note Review the action note from and deal with any outstanding items.	Pg 3	Enclosed	Karen Yeomans	6.05 – 6.10
3.	Kindness Discussion on how we recognise and promote kindness in our communities.	-	Verbal	Lisa Morton/Mhari Cook	6.10 - 6.35
4.	Community Charter Receive presentation from Angela Morrell	-	Presentation	Angela Morrell	6.35 – 6.50
5.	Community Investment Fund Update Receive update from Angela Morrell.	-	Verbal	Angela Morrell	6.50 – 7.00
6.	Youth Update Receive update from Payton Lee and Chardonnay Kirkmichael.	-	Verbal	Payton Lee/ Chardonnay Kirkmichael	7.00 – 7.10
STAN	IDING AGENDA ITEMS				
7.	Locality Officer Update Receive update from Shirley Morgan.	Pg 11	Enclosed	Shirley Morgan	7.10 – 7.20
8.	HSCP Update Receive update from Cllr Sweeney/Scott Bryan	-	Verbal	Cllr Sweeney/Scott Bryan	7.20 – 7.30
9.	Community Rep Update Receive update from Community Reps.	-	All	Shirley Morgan/ Community Reps	7.30 – 7.40
OTHE	R BUSINESS – DECISION REQUIRED	<u> </u>			
10.	Grants Receive report from Angela Morrell	-	To follow	Angela Morrell	7.40– 7.55

OTHER BUSINESS – TO INFORM LOCALITY PLANNING					
11.	AOCB		Verbal	Cllr Gurney	7.55 – 8.00
	Residential & Respite Centre			Angela Morrell	
12.	Three Towns Decision Tracker	Pg 17	-	-	-
Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 17 June 2020, 6.00 pm, Ardrossan Civic Centre					

Distribution List

Elected Members

Councillor Anthony Gurney (Chair)

Councillor Timothy Billings

Councillor Ellen McMaster

Councillor Ronnie McNicol

Councillor Jean McClung

Councillor Jim Montgomerie

Councillor Davina McTiernan

Councillor Jimmy Miller

Councillor John Sweeney

Councillor Robert Barr

Council/CPP Representatives

Karen Yeomans, Senior Lead Officer Angela Morrell, Lead Officer Shirley Morgan, Locality Officer Alison Wilson, Police Scotland Susan Manson, Third Sector Interface Paul McAteer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Ian Winton

Community Representatives

Pat Breen Kyle Haddow Courtney Gemmell Denise McKenzie (Vice Chair) Hazel McMaster Elaine Meney Craig Mochan Scott Mould

Meeting: Three Towns Locality Partnership			
Date/Venue:	22 January 2020 in Ardrossan Civic Centre at 6.00 p.m.		
Attendance:	Councillor Tony Gurney (Chair) Councillor Timothy Billings Councillor Ronnie McNicol Councillor Jean McClung Councillor John Sweeney Councillor Davina McTiernan Councillor Robert Barr Karen Yeomans, Senior Lead Officer (NAC) Angela Morrell, Senior Manager (NAC) Shirley Morgan, Locality Officer (NAC) Alison Wilson, Police Scotland Pat Breen, Community Representative Elaine Meney, Community Representative Craig Mochan, Community Representative Ian Winton, Community Council (Stevenston) Theresa Potter, Engagement Officer (HSCP) Angela Little, Committee Services Officer (NAC)		
	Also in attendance		
	Julie McLachlan, Senior Manager, Economic Policy (NAC) (item 3) Thom Ledingham, Planning Officer (NAC) (item 4) Margaret Sweeney, Raise Your Voice with Ardeer (item 5) Elizabeth Sweeney, Raise Your Voice with Ardeer (item 5) Colin MacIntyre, Ardrossan Castle Heritage (item 5) Amanda Simpson, Ardrossan Castle Heritage (item 5) Michael McCulloch, Ardrossan Castle Heritage (item 5) John Hunter		
Apologies:	Councillor Jim Montgomerie Councillor Jimmy Miller Denise McKenzie, Vice Chair Pat Breen, Community Representative		

ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	Welcome and Apologies and Declarations of Interest	
	The Chair welcomed members to the meeting and apologies for absence were noted.	
	There were no declarations of interest in terms of Standing Order 11.	

2. Action Note

The following updates arising from the action note from the Three Towns Locality Partnership meeting on 5 September 2019 were noted:-

Beach Huts –an update will be provided to a future meeting.

S. Morgan

Community Investment Fund – application for Community Investment Funding for Participatory Budgeting Events in the Three Towns was not approved by Cabinet. The Chair has written to the Leader of the Council requesting information on why the application was not approved.

Discussion took place on the CIF process, with Councillor Sweeney advising that Cabinet had approved in principle the proposals for small grant awarding participatory budgeting approaches by Locality Partnerships and the above application could be routed through the Nurturing Excellence allocation of this funding for the Three Towns.

Noted.

3. Community Wealth Building

The Partnership received a presentation from Julie McLachlan, Senior Manager (Economic Policy) on community wealth building.

The presentation provided information on:-

- Community wealth building as a transformative approach to local economic development, developing wealth with local roots and ownership;
- The 5 pillars of community wealth building procurement, employment, land and assets, financial power and democratic ownership of the local economy;
- Examples of procurement expenditure in Preston;
- Developing Scotland's first Community Wealth Building Strategy;
- Securing £3 million Ayrshire Growth Deal CWB Fund: a regional approach to CWB;
- Work with our local and regional anchors via the CWB Commission to deliver bold ambitions; and
- The Three Towns Locality Priorities Economy, Regeneration and Communication with 70 new business start ups in 2018/19 and 43 growth companies account managed by NAC Business Development.

Discussion took place on the following areas:-

- Derelict land and buildings in the Three Towns areas and that the CWB Strategy has land and assets at the heart of it and is looking at a more proactive approach; and
- Land-banking in North Ayrshire and the Three Towns in particular.

Noted.

4. Local Development Plan

The Partnership received a presentation from Thom Ledingham, Planning Officer on the Council's Local Development Plan.

The presentation provided information on:-

- The Timeline for the Local Development Plan 2, which commenced in 2016 and following engagement, consultation and examination was adopted in 2019;
- The shared vision of the plan that every person in North Ayrshire is valued and should have the best opportunities to live their life to their full potential;
- Four Strategic policies Spatial Strategy, Placemaking, Strategic Development Area and Delivery on Community Priorities and detailed policies that
- New Housing allocations a 10 Year Plan for the delivery of more homes in North Ayrshire; and
- The next steps that will include an Action Programme, followed by the National Planning Framework and Regional Spatial Strategy, Monitoring, New Local Development Plan (incorporating ongoing engagement with Locality Planning Partnerships and communities) and Local Place Plans.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- Discussion and engagement with Education and NHS to consider the capacity of existing infrastructure, such as schools and health facilities, to meet the requirements for new housing; and
- The planning process that considers each application on its own merits and includes a range of considerations, including low carbon emissions and the generation of renewable energy.

The Partnership was advised that an update on Ardrossan Harbour would be provided to the June meeting.

Karen Yeomans

Noted.

5. Community Investment Fund

a) Ardrossan Castle Heritage Society

The Partnership were provided with details of an application for Community Investment Funding from Ardrossan Castle Heritage Society. The Society have applied for £17,912 to deliver a Feasibility Study to develop a Community Heritage Hub located on Ardrossan Castle Hill.

Members asked questions and were provided with further information in relation to:-

- Funding secured from the Big Lottery over 3 years for a Portakabin and a Carnival;
- Informal Pre-Application Advice that should be sought from Planning on the proposal;
- Engagement that will take place with the local community on the siting of the Hub; and
- The tender process that was undertaken to commission an Architect for the project.

The Partnership agreed to support the application and progress it to Cabinet for approval.

S. Morgan

b) Raise Your Voice for Ardeer

A late application for funding from Raise Your Voice for Ardeer was circulated for consideration by the Partnership. The group have applied for £100,000 to create premises for a multi-functioning community facility at Shore Road, Ardrossan.

Discussion took place on:-

- the lateness of the application, that it had been circulated to the Partnership on the day of the meeting and that some Elected Members had not had an opportunity to read the application, due to other Council meetings;
- The costings within the application and arithmetical corrections that were required to ensure an accurate calculation of the total amount of the project
- A cocktail of match-funding that will be sought;
- Income from the Café that will be used to finance the running costs of the facility;
- The poor road infrastructure around the facility;
- A tender process for the project that could be undertaken if required;
- The dates for Partnership and Cabinet meetings in March 2020.

The Partnership agreed to approve, in principle at this stage, the award of £100,000, subject to (a) the match-funding, detailed in the application, being secured; (b) the provision of (i) a Sustainability Plan and (ii) assurances that the project costings are reasonable. Business plan will be circulated to Elected members by the end of February which will address issues raised. If accepted full application will proceed for March Cabinet.

S. Morgan

6. Locality Co-ordinator Update

Shirley Morgan referenced an update on the work which has been undertaken in the locality which was included in the agenda pack and highlighted the following: -

- Stevenston Development Trust (Steering Group) began the process of creating a legal trust;
- Ardrossan Community Development Trust involved in Ardrossan Christmas Lights, Masterplan for Ardrossan including a playpark and community arts consultant;
- Training Station have all funding in place
- Raise Your Voice with Ardeer plans to develop café and toilets, funding secured from Town Centre Fund and CIF application submitted:
- Ardrossan Castle Heritage CIF application submitted for Feasibility Study;
- Scratch Group and Gamers Maker Space Group the development of a Level Up Festival for September 2020;
- Saltcoats Harbour Group had a successful open day;
- Stevenston Christmas Lights, Saltcoats Carnival Group and Ardrossan Community Development Trust – all had very successful Christmas Lights Switch On events;
- Argyle Community Association held two Christmas Dinner events;
- Stevenston Community Council visited Dumfries Station to meet and learning from the West of Scotland Station Gardening Group; and
- Saltcoats Community Council the development of Blooming Saltcoats; and
- Three Towns Growers.

Noted.

7. HSCP Update

Theresa Potter provided a verbal update from the HSCP Locality Forum that included:-

- Drug Related Death Summit that took place on
- Staff training on the distribution of Naloxone kits that has been provided to prevent opioid overdoses;
- Thinking Differently, Doing Better Forums that have taken place; and
- A meeting that will be held next week to discuss the Three Towns Locality priority of loneliness and social isolation.

Noted.

8. Community Rep Update

The Partnership was advised that Denise McKenzie was unable to attend the Partnership meeting to provide an update, but that this would be available at the next meeting.

D. McKenzie

Noted.

9.	Membership				
	Ardrossan Development Trust				
	Ardrossan does not have a Community Council and Ardrossan Development Trust have expressed an interest in becoming part of the Locality Partnership, in place of the Community Council.				
	Provision is made in terms of Standing Order 2.1 to allow an individual from a properly constituted community organisation to join the Locality Partnership in place of the Community Council for that area.				
	The Partnership agreed (a) to welcome Scott Mould, Ardrossan Development Trust, as a member of the Locality Partnership, in lieu of a Community Council representative for the Ardrossan area; and (b) in the event a Community Council is established for Ardrossan, the member from Ardrossan Development Trust shall be replaced by the Chair of the new Community Council.				
	Community Representatives				
	The Partnership agreed to advertise the three vacancies for Community Representatives on the Locality Partnership.				
10.	Street Naming				
	Cunninghame Housing Association have requested a street name for the residential development at Sharphill Phase 4, Saltcoats. Three suggestions had been received and were detailed in the report, alongside comments from the Planning Service on the suitability of each suggestion in terms of the Street Naming Guidance. Each of the suggestions were fully discussed and the Partnership agreed to name the development James Reid Wynd.				
11.	AOCB				
	The Partnership was advised that the following grants had been awarded:-				
	Nurturing Excellence in Communities Grants				
	Evolution Skatepark Upgrading café and kitchen facilities £1,000				
	Sporting Pathways To support development of girls' basketball in Three Towns £999.21				
	Stevenston North Community Association Installation of internet access and continuation of breakfast £1,050.08 club				

Stevenston Boys Brigade Support attending two pantomimes	£125	
International, Historical, Cultural & Geographical Agency Support towards events and bus trip	£1,000	
Community Benefit Fund		
Ayrshire Children's Services CIC Support sessional staff to deliver extended support)	£4,000	
Ardeer Recreation Bowls Club Purchase of defibrillator	£1,000	
Church of the Nazarene Purchase of heavy duty black out blinds to support delivery of community cinema project	£3,324	
Ardrossan Community Association Hire of fun fair attractions	£4,000	
Wacky Youth Club Purchase of storage container and educational visits	£4,000	
Three Towns Growers Establishment of a community orchard £	1,547.65	
The Partnership agreed to homologate the awards that had been officers.	en made by	S. Morgan
Cashback for Communities		
The Partnership was advised of the Cashback for Communities is a Scottish Government programme which takes funds recover proceeds of crime and invests them into free activities and programme people across Scotland.	ed from the	
A community representative from each locality is sought to join consider how these funds could be used.	a group to	
The Partnership sought a nomination and unanimously ag Mochan represent the locality on the group.	reed Craig	S. Morgan
Stevenston Common Good Fund		
Mr McLatchie received an award of £939 towards book publis Following healthy sales of the book, Mr McLatchie would like to award to the Common Good Fund.	-	S. Morgan

Provost's Awards

A nomination was sought to be involved in the shortleeting session for the Three Towns Provost's Awards on 9 April 2020.

The Partnership sought a nomination and unanimously agreed that Elaine Meney take part in the shortleeting sessions on behalf of the Partnership.

S. Morgan

Locality Planning Partnership Conference

The LPP conference will take place on Saturday 25 January 2020 in Saltcoats Town Hall.

Noted.

The meeting ended at 8.00 p.m.



Reporting Period Jan-March 2020

Sub groups

Incredible Edible – The group which consists of a wide community group representation including NA foodbank, Argyle community centre, Three Towns Growers and individuals who grow food. The group have signed up to the 'Incredible Edible' network that offers resources, information, support and opportunities to connect with other Incredible edible groups across the UK. They are planning a launch event in summer 2020 which will hopefully include an inspirational talk from one of the founders of the Incredible Edible network.

Signage – Were informed that Active travel have secured funding for signage for Ardrossan the sub group agreed to apply for the funding for Saltcoats and Stevenston, directional signage and information points were identified across three towns. CIF fund needs to be completed

Three Towns Growers - The board continues to progress. The Community Development Worker post job advert will be posted end March/beginning April. The new build at the Elm Park site and the related lottery funding has encountered issues. However, there is now communication between the 3 parties concerned (Three Towns Growers, North Ayrshire Council and the Lottery) a resolution will be happening.

Three Towns Youth Forum. A group has been established with 9 young people taking part. They are very much keen to avoid being a talking shop. The Group are planning to develop a digital approach to raising issues and concerns. The Group will be meeting with Graham Community Link Worker for Saltcoats, to formulate a community conversation around youth activities and facilities in Saltcoats. The Group currently meet in Saltcoats Library, however will soon move to the David White Community Hub in Saltcoats.

Ardrossan Community Development Trust have developed a partnership with NAC and Sustrans to redevelop Princes St, Glasgow St and Montgomery St. All funding has been secured by NAC, Ardrossan Regeneration Manager They are also working with their consultant around community engagement for the play park and south beach development.

Training Station - Are working through their timeline of works. It has been held up because of bank and SCIO, now back on track. They are working with Scottish Government to ensure RCFG money is committed this financial year.



The journey so far



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Raise your voice with Ardeer

Have completed a consultation with over 600 people completing it either online or on paper. This will inform the development of the pavilion project and ensure that it is relevant and fit for community use. Business development have been working with them to develop a robust business plan which is now completed. The group are going to produce an interactive report of the results/findings of the consultation to inform the public and potential users. The group are seeking out match funding.



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Update

Literacies

Literacy support is available in both employability hubs in 1-2-1 sessions and with progression into a group. Stevenston group is full and to avoid a waiting list a new group is proposed for Ardrossan. Effort is being made to track previous service users to ensure they have continued into a positive destination.

Digital literacies

Digital First Aid

In response to needs expressed by employability hub and group members a new Digital First Aid session is now open in Ardeer. Initial feedback is that those taking part have varying needs relating to the use of phones and certain aspects of online banking and shopping I rather than a traditional course ie how to connect a WIFI printer to phone etc. Tutors are developing a report on the issues being presented.



Open University (Open Learning)

Where possible, learners are being introduced to the OU open learn range of free courses and supported to access additional knowledge "Learn to Learn" using online resources without the isolation this model of learning can cause.

Whitlees Community Association (Local support Hub/Job Club)

Locality team and CLD staff have worked with Whitlees Community Centre association and Ardrossan Youth Centre Committee to provide a new local support hub based in the Ardrossan Youth service. This hub will provide informal drop in support for employability, skills and general issues with application forms and digital literacy problems. Ardrossan youth centre is ideally placed for this model of work. Access to up to date PC's and wifi can help where people have run out of data or don't have access to printers etc. The long-term plan is to recruit and train local community members to deliver this support.

They are also working with the business development team to maximise the income from the nursey once early years moves out in June.



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Stevenston Development Trust (Steering Group)

Interim Chair has stood down for personal reasons so steering group undergoing a period of refocussing and looking at developing projects rejected by the town centre development fund. A new chair has been appointed. Committee members are attending a DTAS event in March. Additional work is being undertaken to look at helping the Three Towns Growers to put down roots in Stevenston with a small allotment/ raised beds area in the town.

The Development Trust are supporting Stevenston North Community Association at Hayocks with installing Wifi.

Three Towns Men's Shed

Are now working with our Senior Lead Officer (Angela Morrell) to ensure that the move in December is the best for all parties. Their membership is continues to increase and they are supporting voluntary organisations such as the Castle Heritage group to regenerate the benches at the castle.

Ardrossan Castle Heritage Society

Have successfully secured their CIF funding of £17,000 and the feasibility study has started.

Ardrossan Sports Hub

Are now a registered charity and are working with various funders to get the project up and running. They currently have a base in Glasgow Street. They are also in discussions with the community to maximum potential to sustain its future in Ardrossan.



Community Regeneration



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Friends of Stevenston - continue to keep the Stevenston beach area clean and improve the bio diversity in partnership with Streetscene, who remove the litter being picked up by Ian Cassidy. An increasing number of schools and volunteers from local businesses are coming along to the clean-up session. Most groups are now collecting the sea born litter that has built up on the south side of Stevenston point.

Cycle without age. www.cyclingwithoutage.scot

Locality team staff have been in discussion with Opportunities in Retirement to explore this group hosting a development.

Stevenston Community Council - The Community Council first meeting of 2020 was held in Ardeer and was well structured and positive in its purpose. A number of concerns were raised and discussed by both the CC members, Locality Officer and Elected Members. Input was received from Town Centre Regeneration Manager.

Make A Meal Of It – in partnership with North Ayrshire foodbank we are already preparing for the upcoming Easter school holidays. We have arranged the food with the NAC school caterers and we have also manged to successfully receive funding to do at least one trip out with the two venues (Ardeer community centre and the Church of the Nazarene Ardrossan). Zoolab have also been booked to come and do a workshop.

Stevenston South Community Association –The association are actively seeking funding for future community events and trips for throughout the year. They have opened their community café on a Sunday just starting last week. The association have just started a S1 up youth group with volunteers doing arts & crafts, pool and board games and various other activities. They will be holding their AGM on Wednesday 25th March 2020.

Raise Your Voice With Ardeer – Dignified Food Provision - the numbers requiring food provision have steadily increased so much so that the group have had to request an increase in production to meet needs. Partners and organisations are starting to use this service.

Saltcoats Community Council

Has had 3 members resign, I am in contact with them to meet to explore why. All the team are supporting to recruit new members.



Environment (Civic pride and Community Engagement)



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Stevenston North Community Association (Hayocks Hall)

With support from Locality CLD staff the committee has decide to move the meal provision to weekdays and run for 4 weeks to see if this fits the community better. Locality CLD staff are supporting the committee to source additional funding to provide wifi in the centre with a view to future activities. Members of the committee visited park-lives in Dalry and will look to funding a similar weekly event during summer 2020. Funding application from Awards for all is being prepared.

Saltcoats Youth Work As well as the above the development of a P6/P7 youth group will be established in Saltcoats. The group will be activity based with young people having a say about the programme content. It is planned as the P7's progress to secondary education a Saltcoats 'Senior' youth group will be created.

For further information contact: Shirley Morgan. smorgan@north-ayrshire.gov.uk. 07912450212

Such Applier Communic Nora eg Norberok g	Three Towns Decision Tracker				
Local Priority	Jan-20	Mar-20	Jun-20	Sep-20	Dec-20
Economy and Tourism	Community Wealth Building Ardrossan Castle Heritage Society 3. Raise Your Voice for	Community Rep update	Ardrossan Harbour		
Civic Pride and Community Engagement	Community representative for Cashback for Communities Fund 2. Provosts Award 3. CP and LP Conference 4. Development Trusts	Kindness 2. Community Charter 3. Community Rep update			
Community Regeneration	Local Development Plan 2. Establishment of Stevenston Development Trust (Steering Group) 3. Work of Ardrossan Community Development Trust 4. Raise Your Voice for Ardeer	Community Rep update			
Other Locality Busin	ness	<u> </u>	<u> </u>		
CIF	Community Investment Funding for Participatory Budgeting Events in the Three Towns 2. Ardrossan Castle Heritage Society 3. Raise Your Voice for Ardeer	Update report			
Grants	11 grants awarded, totalling £22045.94	Grant applications			
Street Naming	James Reid Wynd in Saltcoats				
Partnership Developments			13 Ways Campaign - Mental Health and Suicide		
HSCP Links	HSCP Locality Forum	HSCP Locality Forum			
Inequalities	Community Wealth Building				
Participatory Budgeting and Community Engagement	Small grant awarding participatory budgeting approaches by Locality Partnerships 2. Community representative for Cashback for	Kindness 2. Community Charter 3. Youth Update			
	Communities Fund 3. Provosts Award 4. CP and LP Conference				
Membership	Appointment of member of Ardrossan Development Trust as a member of the Locality Partnership, in lieu of a Community Council representative for the Ardrossan area 2. Agreement to advertise the three vacancies for Community Representatives				