



North Ayrshire
Community Planning Partnership

Irvine Locality Partnership

Monday 13 December 2021, 6.00 p.m. Via Microsoft Teams

BUSINESS

Item	Subject	Pg No	Ref	Officer	Timings
1.	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest.	-	-	Cllr Burns	6.00 – 6.05
2.	Action Note Review the action note and deal with any outstanding items.	Pg 3	Enclosed	Lesley Forsyth	6.05 – 6.15
3.	Grants Receive presentation and report from Rosemary Ramsay.	Pg 7	Enclosed	Rosemary Ramsay	6.15 – 6.30
4.	TACT Adult Volunteer Recognition Award Receive update from Barbara Conner.	-	Verbal	Barbara Conner	6.30 – 6.40
5.	Community Investment Fund – Expression of Interest <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irvine Tennis Club • Input 	Pg 9 Pg 16	Enclosed	Elaine Baxter	6.40 – 6.55
6.	Joint Health & Social Care Locality Planning Forum and LP on Mental Health and wellbeing Receive update.	-	Verbal	Lesley Forsyth	6.55 – 7.05
7.	Remembering Together - Scotland's Covid Community Memorial Programme Receive update.	-	Verbal	Lesley Forsyth	7.05 – 7.10
STANDING AGENDA ITEMS					
8.	Learning Update Receive update.	-	Verbal	Head Teachers	7.10 – 7.25
9.	HSCP Update Receive update.	Pg 20	Enclosed	Louise Gibson	7.25 – 7.35

10.	Youth Forum Update Receive update from Justin Jones.	-	Verbal	Justin Jones	7.35 – 7.45
11.	Locality Officer Update Receive report from Elaine Baxter	Pg 26	Enclosed	Elaine Baxter	7.45 – 7.55
12.	AOCB <ul style="list-style-type: none">Locality Membership		Verbal	Cllr Burns Lesley Forsyth	7.55 – 8.00
Date of Next Meeting: Monday 21 February 2022 at 6.00 pm via Microsoft Teams					

Distribution List

Elected Members

Councillor Marie Burns (**Chair**)
Councillor Ian Clarkson
Councillor John Easdale
Councillor Robert Foster
Councillor Scott Gallacher
Councillor Margaret George
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Councillor Shaun Macaulay
Councillor Louise McPhater
Councillor Angela Stephen

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Sylvia Mallinson (**Vice Chair**)
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CPP/Council Representatives

Lesley Forsyth, Lead Officer
Scott MacMillan, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
Andy Dolan, Police Scotland
Elaine Baxter, Locality Officer

Meeting:	Irvine Locality Partnership
Date/Venue:	18 October 2021 – Virtual Meeting at 6.00 p.m.
Present:	Councillor Marie Burns (Chair) Provost Ian Clarkson Councillor John Easdale Councillor Christina Larsen Councillor Shaun MacAulay Councillor Louise McPhater Donna Fitzpatrick , Community Representative Scott McMillan , Scottish Fire and Rescue Service V. McGregor , Head Teacher, Annick Primary School Lesley Forsyth , Lead Officer Elaine Baxter , Community Education Locality Co-ordinator Darren Anderson , Community Connector Leeanne Bratton , Child Families and Justice Kasia Smith , Regeneration Manager Diane McCaw , Committee Services, North Ayrshire Council
Apologies:	Councillor Robert Foster Councillor Angela Stephen Sylvia Mallinson (Vice-Chair) David Mann , Community Representative Louise Gibson , HSCP Representative Justin Jones , Youth Forum Lauren Fletcher , Active Schools Co-ordinator Linzie Sloan , Head Teacher, Irvine Royal Academy

ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	Welcome/Apologies/Declarations of Interest The Chair welcomed those present to the Irvine Locality Partnership meeting and apologies for absence were noted.	
2.	Action Note The action note from the meeting held on 14 June 2021 was approved as a correct record and the implementation of decisions confirmed.	
3.	Community Investment Fund Update: Positive Changes The Partnership received an update presentation by Leeanne Bratton and Darren Anderson including information on:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work in relation to addiction and mental health, including one-to-one support and expansion since the pandemic; • the development of walk-n-talks to combat social isolation and the delivery of non directive talking therapy; • the Medda Mending Minds community football project to support men and women with mental health issues; • steps to address North Ayrshire drug deaths; 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • current engagement levels in the Fullarton and Vineburgh areas and support required to enable this to continue; • addiction therapy and recovery groups, including family trauma; and • the sharp rise in suicide statistics. <p>The Partnership discussed long term sustainability in terms of support and recovery within communities and agreed that further discussion was required in terms of future progress.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>4.</p>	<p>Great Harbour Project</p> <p>The Partnership received a presentation from Kasia Smith, Regeneration Manager including information on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Great Harbour Maritime Mile which is a wider area of investment to connect Irvine Town Centre with the Beach area; • the current position regarding the £14m funding from the Ayrshire Growth Deal; • the concept design with details in connection with the 3 hubs namely (i) Maritime Hub, (ii) Marine Arts and Events Hub and (iii) Coastal Hub; • key considerations around parking, activity and visitor numbers, environmental improvements, stakeholder engagement, private sector proposals and legal matters; and • the next steps and timelines including public engagement at the end of 2021. <p>Members of the Partnership asked questions and were provided with information in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Maritime Museum area including Puffers Café and future proposals which will be dependent on funding; • the development of work in connection with the playpark area and when this is likely to commence; • financial contributions from local businesses; • when consultation with the local communities will commence and how this will be carried out to allow shared views and ideas for projects; • the proposed establishment of a reference/steering group to guide the engagement process; and • further detail on specific projects which had been previously outlined. <p>The Partnership noted that the presentation slides would be circulated to members prior to invitations being issued in relation to walk-about of the area.</p>	<p><i>Kasia Smith/ Lesley Forsyth</i></p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Cost of the School Day</p> <p>The Partnership received an update from the Lead Officer on the Cost of the School Day (COSD), which included details in relation to:-</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the partnership with Children 1st in the Irvine area as a pilot to identify specific areas where help is required within our locality; • movement in terms of some financial and support work with families in schools; • plans to develop a network to share best practice; and • uniform and sport clothing exchanges. <p>Noted.</p>	
6.	<p>Learning Update – Headteachers</p> <p>The Partnership received an update from the Lead Officer including information on the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the possibility for relaxations in schools which will be happening between now and Christmas; • the potential for residentials and school trips to be reintroduced; • that schools are individual and changes are not a blanket approach; and • work ongoing with clusters around who attends LP meetings in future. <p>Noted.</p>	
7.	<p>HSCP Update</p> <p>A written update will be circulated to the Partnership.</p>	
8.	<p>Youth Forum Update</p> <p>Youth Forum information was covered under item 9 Locality Officer Update.</p>	
9.	<p>Locality Officer Update</p> <p>The Partnership received a report by the Locality Officer detailing work which had been undertaken in the locality from July to September in the areas of CLD Priorities, Employment and the Economy, Mental Health, Fair for All, Influence and Sense of Control and including information on the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Irvine chit chat magazine which will be circulated once printed; • the next chit chat meeting which will be set up for mid November; • Irvine neighbourhoods youth forum breakfast club is now back up and running and numbers have dramatically increased; • The Irvine Senior Forum AGM which will be held next week; and • Contact made with community groups in terms of CIF funding. <p>Noted.</p>	
10.	<p>Grants</p> <p>The Locality Partnership agreed to award the following from the Elderly Grants Fund:-</p>	

	BABCA LBLB & Girdle Toll Age Concern Irvine Joint Wards Old Peoples Welfare Committee	£2,145 £1,500 £7,471	
11.	AOCB		
11.1	TACT Update An update from TACT had been circulated to the Partnership giving details of the range of services provided to support the community and voluntary sector. Noted.		
12.	Date of Next Meeting		
	The date of the next virtual meeting of the Irvine Locality Partnership meeting is Monday 13 December 2021 at 6.00 p.m.		

Meeting ended at 7.35 p.m.



Locality Partnership: Irvine Locality

Date: 13 December 2021

Subject: To advise the meeting of an application received in respect of Irvine Common Good Fund

Purpose: To consider the applications as outlined in Appendix 1 to this report.

Background

An application has been received in respect of Irvine Common Good Fund

Key Points for Locality Partnership

The balance available for disbursement is bullet pointed below:

- Irvine Common Good Fund has a balance of £26,500

Action Required by Locality Partnership

To consider the application for grant funding as outlined in Appendix 1 to this report.

For more information please contact: *Angela Morell, Senior Manager, Connected Communities, 2nd Floor Cunninghame House, Irvine.*
Email - amorrell@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Completed by: *Rosemary Ramsay (rosemaryramsay@north-ayrshire.gov.uk)*

Date: 07/12/21

**IRVINE COMMON GOOD FUND
APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE 2021/22**

Common Good Criteria -

The application should benefit all or a significant group of the inhabitants of the area to which the Common Good relates

Applicant	Purpose of Grant	Amount Requested	Previous Common Good Awards
Input SCIO	Contribution towards core running costs	£2,500	None
<p>Connected Communities, Finance and Legal Services have been consulted and their comments are as follows:</p> <p>Finance Support: The application is for running costs.</p> <p>A bank statement has been supplied but the balance has been redacted, therefore no comment can be made on the liquidity of the organisation.</p> <p>Legal: In terms of Section 15(4) of the Local Government etc. (Scotland) Act 1994, the Council in administering the Common Good Fund shall have regard to the interests of the inhabitants of the area to which the Common Good relates. It is not clear that this application can be so justified.</p> <p>A grant to an Applicant, restricted in age and purpose, as this application is and not to the area generally accepted to be the Royal Burgh of Irvine cannot normally be justified. However, if the Committee is of a mind to grant this application, the benefit to the community as a whole should be clearly minuted, in case the auditor should require this information in the future.</p> <p>Connected Communities: Input SCIO is a charity providing work preparation for people with learning difficulties and disabilities. They use computer refurbishment as a tool for the skills development process and members of the local community and local businesses donate computers for refurbishment. Once refurbished, the computers are distributed free to members of the local community, promoting digital inclusion and tackling social isolation.</p> <p>The group works closely with local schools and also provides basic computer and mobile phone classes to members of the local community. In terms of the Irvine Common Good Fund criteria the services provided by Input SCIO benefit a significant number of residents with the area.</p>			



Community Investment Fund Application Form: Irvine Locality

The CIF will support proposals and projects that:

- Connect with:
 - The North Ayrshire Fair for All Inequalities Strategy;
 - the Community Planning Partnership and Locality priorities; and
 - North Ayrshire Council's values, priorities and business objectives.
- Fulfil a compelling need and do not duplicate existing services or facilities;
- Provide long-term, sustainable, positive results for the greatest number of people possible;
- Exhibit project and/or organisational innovation in their approaches to their work in their way of addressing community challenges and in their request to Locality Partnerships and the Council;
- Come from (an) organisation(s) that is financially viable (can provide financial statements upon request) and efficiently and effectively managed. This can include an organisation to be created to deliver the project;
- Include options or potential for NAC and CPP employee engagement and volunteering where possible; and
- Include measurable outcomes and can report to NAC on outcomes on a regular basis.

When to apply and how?

- LPs should continue to engage with their communities, and stimulate interest in the CIF. The Locality Partnership will then strategically assess the applications, make links and look at the funding 'in the round'.
- If the partnership supports a bid then the group will be encouraged to submit a full application form, which they will decide upon before making a proposal to Cabinet for final approval.
- The finalised proposal will go to the next suitable Cabinet for final approval.

- Forms should be returned to your Locality Co-ordinator, by email if possible:

Elaine Baxter

Locality Coordinator (Irvine)

Email: ebaxter@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Support and information will be available for groups who are not successful. For more information see the guidance form here: <http://www.northayrshire.community/wp-content/uploads/sites/60/2018/06/community-investment-fund-guidance-notes-17-12-17.pdf>

**APPLICATION FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
Community Investment Fund**

1. Details of your organisation

Name of Organisation: Irvine Tennis Club

Postal Address for

Correspondence: C/O
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Name of Contact Person: Cameron Adrain.....

Position in Organisation: Club Secretary

Contact Telephone Number :

E mail address

2. Brief description of your organisation

Please include -

- [a]** Legal status, e.g. voluntary organisation, public/private limited by shares or guarantee;
- [b]** How long has organisation been in existence?
- [c]** Aims & objectives;
- [d]** General activities or services provided

Irvine Tennis Club is a registered Charity (Charity Number SC051186). The Charity status was confirmed on 9th August 2021, however, the Club itself was formed in March 2021.

Irvine Tennis Club aims to provide a tennis club and facilities for the local community and in particular, for the people of Irvine.

Our aims and rationale align exactly with 'A More Active Scotland, Scotland's Physical Activity Delivery Plan'. This document is explained in 5 outcomes :-

- 1- We encourage the inactive to be more active.*
- 2- We encourage the active to stay active throughout life.*
- 3- We develop physical confidence and competence from the earliest stage.*
- 4- We improve our infrastructure, people and places.*
- 5- We support wellbeing and resilience in communities through physical activity and sport*

Irvine Tennis Club strives to meet these outcomes by offering the local community the chance to play tennis, regardless of age or background.

3. Title and summary of proposal

Tell us a bit about your idea. Please describe in as much detail as possible, what the funding will be used for. Please include where it will be held / delivered, who is your target audience, who will benefit from it and how and indicate any partners that are involved.

Please include -

[a] *What outcomes your organisation wishes to achieve;*

[b] *Is this a new service / project?*

[c] *Does a new organisation need to be set up?*

Please ensure that all of the above information is supplied. Failure to do so may result in your application being rejected.

The tennis courts in Irvine are currently owned and operated by North Ayrshire Council. The courts have been neglected and fallen in to a state of disrepair. Irvine Tennis Club has been formed with the aim of providing playable tennis facilities for the people. We are in the process of obtaining a Community Asset Transfer whereby the club will undertake the running of the courts and provide a safe and accessible facility for all of the local community.

This is a new service as tennis is not currently available to people of Irvine due to the condition of the tennis courts. Irvine Tennis Club has been set up with a Committee of volunteer members and no other new organisations require to be established for the running of the club.

4. What difference will this project make within the locality and to local services and programmes?

Please include -

[a] How you will approach reducing inequality

[b] How this proposal fits with North Coast's priorities of:

- 1. Social Isolation – Older People*
- 2. Financial Inclusion*
- 3. Stress and Anxiety – Younger People*

We feel that there is huge potential benefit in an accessible tennis club in Irvine. The creation of a Tennis Club in Irvine would assist with reducing inequality and also fits with North Coast's priorities as follows -

The aim is that membership is affordable for adults and free for children. Given that the location is within an area primarily made up of SIMD 1&2, this is vital.

Evidence shows that participation rates in physical activity/sport is significantly lower in lower income areas. This is a major factor in the correlation between poverty and poor health.

This is a major driver for the creation of the club. Tennis can be seen as 'elitist' and we would like to overcome this perception and promote tennis as an affordable activity for all. We will offer free memberships to everyone under 16 and over 65. Membership fees will be affordable and incentives for family memberships will be offered. We will also have 'honorary' members where no fee will be charged. In lines with our charitable aims these memberships will be allocated to people within the local community who otherwise could not afford membership.

We have already had meetings with Active Schools who will lead coaching sessions for primary and ASN school pupils in surrounding schools as part of the curriculum and extra-curricular.

We will have equipment which will be free to hire to members in order to reduce participation costs as well as free social and competitive tennis groups for members. It is in our constitution to have one court that will always be open with free access to members of the public.

Sport is a major contributing factor in bringing communities together. A sports club is a focal point where children can attend clubs, parents can interact, local people can meet with each other. People feel safer, valued and part of the community where there are clubs, activities and facilities.

5. Please give an overview of the engagement that has taken place in relation to the project

Please include the number of people that have been engaged with/ consulted

Irvine Tennis Club has already engaged with a number of people in relation to the project –

- Representatives of North Ayrshire Council
- Active Schools
- The local community in order to ascertain an interest in tennis – we have received over 170 formal registrations of interest in becoming members
- Local Councillors

6. Please tell us how the project will be managed

Please include -

[a] *How the finances will be managed*

[b] *Does the proposed project contribute to volunteering or employment opportunities in North Coast? Please include the number of volunteering opportunities and employment opportunities*

[c] *If there are any staff requirements, please outline your HR plans*

[d] *Is there evidence of partnership working in relation to the project within North Coast locality?*

Irvine Tennis Club are part of Tennis Ayrshire and Tennis Scotland. We are also a registered tennis club with the Lawn Tennis Association(LTA). We comply with all LTA legislation including health and safety, equal opportunities, child protection legislation and insurance requirements.

Irvine Tennis Club will be governed by a Board of Trustees and by the members. We have a constitution which has been approved and met the standards for SCIO. As well as carrying out a lot of maintenance by ourselves and our members we will secure outside services for maintenance when we decide it is essential. We will have AGMs and EGMs when appropriate. Matters relating to finance will be managed by the Board.

This will all be done on a voluntary basis and there are no requirements for staff.

We have already formed a Partnership with Active Schools. We expect to build on this partnership and our expectation is that all of the local primary and secondary schools will have use of and access to the tennis courts.

Our intention is to also form a partnership with Irvine Seniors Forum to facilitate and engage with older members of the community and providing them with the opportunity to play tennis.

7. Amount of funding being requested

Please supply details of the amount of funding being requested and any **other** funding you have had over the past 5 years, both financially and 'in kind'.

Amount of funding requested:	£100,000
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Please include detail on -

[a] Breakdown of costs if available;

[b] Recent quotations where appropriate

1. Clubhouse (Timber building + wc's /kitchen £20k or portacabin + installation + services connection + base construction/extension)
2. Kids racquets/balls (Zsig mixed racket pack £380/ 4x 6m nets £400/balls x 3 buckets £240)
3. Resurfacing of tennis courts – circa £170,000

8. Monitoring and evaluation process

Please include detail on –

[a] What monitoring and evaluation processes are planned/ in place

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Community Investment Fund Expression of Interest Form

Organisation name	Input SCIO
Brief details of organisation	<p>Input is a charity providing Preparation for work for people with additional educational needs. This is a skills development programme which helps the individuals develop soft skills needed for work and life. In addition to that we work for the community refurbishing computers and distributing them free to those in need i.e., those who are not in a position financially to acquire digital equipment. Our trainees also help to provide basic digital support within the community.</p>
Locality	Irvine
Amount requested	£60,000 p.a. for two posts
Brief overview of proposal	<p>This Expression of Interest outlines a contribution to North Ayrshire Fair for All (FfA) Inequalities Strategy and Community Planning Partnership (CPP) and Irvine Locality Partnership's (ILP) priorities, aiming to provide education and training to the community in the digital arena: i.e. in the use of computers, laptops and associated equipment; Smartphones, tablets, and other mobile devices; plus software and packages that can be used to help improve the lives of the community through the acquisition of knowledge, information and access to online services and support, training and troubleshooting.</p> <p>The primary objective of this venture is to facilitate education and training of users in the community by various activities. There is a visible crossover with the activities of Input as we provide a facility, on a smaller scale, where the community receive basic computer education from our trainees.</p> <p>Our request for funding is for two part time contracted staff (40 hrs total). The proposed collective budget for these two positions would be £60,000 p.a. This would incorporate wages, NI, pension contributions, expenses and management fees involved in the support of the positions. Input's fundraising operation would seek additional funds from local and national government, charitable trusts and lottery sources to extend the timescale of this project and help to secure other equipment and resources which may be identified.</p>

Responsibilities of the post would include: -

- Providing computer education and training for the community.
- Arrange sessions across the multiple Irvine venues.
- Liaising and developing relationships with fellow Third Sector and other organisations e.g. NAC Irvine Locality Connected Communities Team, NHS, Social Work Department, Jobcentreplus etc., to further develop digital inclusion in the community.
- Help to identify, recruit, and train volunteer Digital Champions for each community venue who would in turn be able to provide support for their centre users.
- Troubleshooting of equipment as problems arise.
- Source funding for additional equipment.

Digital inclusion has impact over many aspects of people's lives including those which relate directly to the FfA, CPP and ILP priorities:

A Healthier North Ayrshire / Mental Health:

Digital competence allows people to access information towards healthy living – dietary advice, lifestyle changes that will help to support healthy living, accessing self-help and support groups, accessing virtual appointments with medical and ancillary staff. This is especially relevant with changes that have been instituted following COVID 19 restrictions and reviewed working practices. For those with mental health issues it can help them to access support and lines of communication that can help support them when they need it. This includes being able to communicate with members of their support network e.g., family and friends virtually, by phone or by text.

Working North Ayrshire / Employment & Economy:

Digital competency allows people to access advertised vacancies; create and update CV's that they can submit electronically for job applications and employment agencies that will allow them to be considered for employment opportunities. They can access job specific training which may be made available by employers or potential employers. A lot of employment opportunities require some level of digital competency which makes lack of digital experience or equipment detrimental to gaining employment. Access to the digital arena could also help individuals to research areas or information regarding any potential employment opportunities which helps them to prepare and be more confident at interview.

Safe & Secure North Ayrshire / Influence & Sense of Control:

Digital training helps to reinforce some of the pitfalls of online activity e.g. the need to be aware of the secure use of websites especially online banking and others that involve the use of personal information, how to identify the security of a website, how to identify phishing emails etc. It also allows access to police and community websites

that can disseminate information on security and dangers e.g., assaults or attacks in the community, theft of property and burglaries, upcoming community events etc. Community websites can also make appeals for volunteers, equipment etc. and can help the dissemination of resources and information in the community. The building of such skills also enables the development of stronger communities both online and in the physical world.

Thriving North Ayrshire

Digital skills are already an essential for people to participate fully in society in the 21st Century. This project offers a significant contribution to those Irvine residents who are least able or willing to access support for learning, providing the tools for them to play a full part in their social, political, cultural, educational and working environment.

Fair for All

There are many barriers to digital inclusion including: financial; physical and mental abilities; mental health problems; age; etc. By increasing access to digital training in the community, making it more accessible to the individuals through place, time and frequency of classes and tailoring the classes to the needs of the individual.

Input is well placed for this venture as we have a tried and tested management and support network as well as knowledge accumulated through working for over 10 years in the Irvine area. Input also has experience in the planning and delivery of classes and drop-in sessions and are expert at tailoring provision for learners of varying abilities. This all helps to encourage a more inclusive and supportive community and to provide permanence and sustainability for the project in the future.

Other information:

- Input already has connections with the Irvine Locality Connected Communities Team, giving the opportunity to collaborate in building complementary learning pathways and offering this project a conduit to an even wider pool of potential learners.
- Input has established systems for the monitoring and evaluation of learning provision
- Input are in the unique position of being able to supply free refurbished equipment to those who are not financially able to purchase or obtain their own.
- Input could assist in sourcing funding that could provide additional equipment to the area.
- Resources of Input would be available to the post to support it – trainees, equipment, training and volunteering.
- Promoting volunteering in the community e.g. for those with IT experience and expertise to be involved in providing classes for the community.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Encouraging crossover between different community / volunteer groups who would like to receive IT education and training.
Timescale	1 year with the intention of making it a permanent facility for the community.
Contact details	Stuart Gemmell

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North Ayrshire Strategic Planning Group

Locality Planning Forum

Update pro-form

SPG Meeting Date: 23/11/2021

Locality Planning Forum:	Irvine
Chair:	Louise Gibson
Forum Meeting Date:	04/11/2020
Location:	Microsoft Teams
Pro-forma prepared by:	Alana Black – Evaluation Officer
Pro-forma approved by:	

Current Locality Priorities

1	Improving MH and wellbeing
2	Reducing social isolation and loneliness (all ages)
3	Prevention, early intervention and recovery from drug & alcohol related harms and deaths
4	Recovering from the COVID experience/backlog

Forum Discussion

LPF Discussion 1

Discussion Heading:	Review of Affirmed Priorities
Situation / Context:	<p>Affirmed priorities were shared through screen sharing with LPF members to confirm and to give an opportunity of any further comment.</p> <p>LPF members agreed the affirmed priorities match what was previously discussed in the development sessions. The affirmed priorities were highlighted to be continually referred to at each meeting.</p>
Next Steps:	NA
Support required:	NA

Meets priority	1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 2

Discussion Heading:	Irvine Wellbeing Locality Working Group				
Situation / Context:	<p>Leeanne gave an update on the work of the Irvine Wellbeing Locality Working Group.</p> <p>The group has come from the 'out and about project' with the goal to encourage people to engage in meaningful activity. Partners including KA Leisure, GHP will also be involved.</p>				
Next Steps:	<p>A new shop front at Bridgegate House will be developed – the resources there to be used to facilitate wellbeing sessions.</p> <p>A team's site has been developed to share information which external partners can join in (still at the testing phase)</p> <p>Leeanne will provide updates at future meetings as the work progresses.</p>				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. <input type="checkbox"/>	4. <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 3

Discussion Heading:	Café at Redburn				
Situation / Context:	Roseanne provided an update on the Café facilitated by the Irvine Youth Forum.				
Next Steps:	Michael will link in with Roseanne to attend and possibly do further engagement with attendees particularly around the new strategic priorities.				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. <input type="checkbox"/>	4. <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 4

Discussion Heading:	Locality Network Meeting				
Situation / Context:	Elaine gave an update on the development of the Irvine Locality Network meeting and confirmed that it would be held on the 25th of November at Redburn Community Centre in Irvine.				
Next Steps:	Elaine and Michael will link up about partnership working for future engagement.				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 5

Discussion Heading:	Care Improvement Network				
Situation / Context:	<p>Michael confirmed the development for the Care Improvement Network has started. A survey had been sent out about what the future of engagement could look like for North Ayrshire.</p> <p>Online meetings, online surveys, one-to-one phone calls and some one-to-one meetings have started.</p> <p>Elaine Baxter (Locality Officer) – confirmed there is a quarterly Irvine chit chat that could possibly help for future engagement in the Irvine locality and invited Michael to attend.</p>				
Next Steps:	<p>Michael will link up with Elaine to attend a future Irvine Chit Chat</p> <p>Irvine network on 25th of November – Michael also invited.</p>				
Support required:	NA				

Meets priority	1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input type="checkbox"/>
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LPF Discussion 6

Discussion Heading:	Strategic Plan Update				
Situation / Context:	<p>Michael gave a brief update on the development of the Strategic Plan in Scott Bryans absence.</p> <p>The presentation confirmed the new Strategic Plan 22-30 will be building on from the bridging plan 2021-22 and stated the development work will validate and confirm the priorities and ambitions highlighted and identify further priority areas for action.</p> <p>The presentation gave information on the service engagement that had took place with MH&LD and C,F&J, where a review of the short and medium term priorities were identified and draft priorities to 2030 were discussed. Tailored actions to support the LPF priorities were also discussed and will be fed back through future meeting.</p> <p>H&CC session has been planned for November.</p>				
Next Steps:	<p>The first draft of the Strategic Plan document will be developed through October with the support from the Strategic Plan Sub-Group. The first draft will go to PSMT early November for feedback and approval.</p> <p>Engagement for the Strategic Plan will then take place for 6 weeks between November and December including face to face engagement sessions, online sessions, and surveys. Engaging with existing networks and community groups and engaging the care improvement network will also take place.</p>				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	2. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	4. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 7

Discussion Heading:	National Care Service				
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Situation / Context:	<p>Michael gave a brief update on the National Care Service sessions. Michael confirmed turnout wasn't as high as expected, however, there was still a good quality of conversation. Sessions will be complete this week, where then Michael will collate all response and collate into a report to be sent directly to the Scottish Government.</p> <p>The report can be passed on in due course.</p>				
Next Steps:	NA				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input type="checkbox"/>	2. <input type="checkbox"/>	3. <input type="checkbox"/>	4. <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 8

Discussion Heading:	Schedule of LPF Meetings				
Situation / Context:	<p>It was agreed by all members that Irvine LPF meetings will be held quarterly.</p>				
Next Steps:	NA				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input type="checkbox"/>	2. <input type="checkbox"/>	3. <input type="checkbox"/>	4. <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

LPF Discussion 9

Discussion Heading:	Participant Numbers				
Situation / Context:	<p>LPF members discussed participant involvement and the question was asked if there was anyone who should also be invited to join.</p> <p>The below were names were identified ad will be contacted to see if any interested;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • David Meechan 				

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> New workers at Fullarton and Bourteehill to be invited to future LPF meetings 				
Next Steps:	NA				
Support required:	NA				
Meets priority	1. <input type="checkbox"/>	2. <input type="checkbox"/>	3. <input type="checkbox"/>	4. <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Engagement Activity

Please use this section to highlight any recent engagement activity undertaken by the Forum and its members.

<p>Care Improvement Network National Care Service Locality Network Meeting (all as above)</p>
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Items for escalation

Please use this section to highlight any areas for escalation to full SPG discussion or to IJB

1	NA
2	NA
3	NA
4	NA



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Digital Irvine / Irvine CLD Team

An Introduction To Computing

Computing course delivered in Redburn It Suite, and attended by 13 learners in total over the last 6 weeks following from it starting on Tues 19th October. Course looked at basics of computer, email, internet and Microsoft software. Positive feedback received, and many of the learners would like to attend a follow up class in the new year.

Literacy/employability support

Literacy and Numeracy 1-1 Support currently being offered by Literacy Worker at Redburn Community Hub and via online through zoom. Currently 12 learners are being supported, and are attending weekly sessions. In order to streamline the referral process an online form has been created which can be completed by learners and partnering agencies. The link is as follows: <https://forms.office.com/r/fn61z6R6cP>

Community Associations

All Community Associations are being provided with on-going support, and through the attendance of regular monthly meetings by CDW. Weekly updates are also received from Office Bearers.

The following Community Association have held successful AGM's, with the election of the new committees overseen by the CDW:

- Springside C.A. – 15th September 2021

Ongoing training opportunities continuing to be offered to the associations through the Leadership Collective Training Programme.



Employability

Chit Chat Media Project

Euan is currently working with Paul Montgomery (Employability Project Delivery) to develop 10 week employability/media project that will train young people (16 to 25) to create future editions of the newsletter, and develop online video blogs.

Euan and Paul met with Ayrshire College reps on Friday 5th November, and discussed possible partnership working to provide SVQ accreditation training, and routes to progression from training onto College course.

Presentation delivered to Irvine Locality Network meeting on Thursday 25th November, explaining the project and process. Aiming to source filming equipment list by December, and secure funding routes for learner bursary. Course hopefully commencing February 2022.



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Mental Health and Wellbeing

Chit Chat Newsletter

Chit Chat magazine first edition (November) completed and distributed to local community centres and partnering organisations. 500 hard copies printed and distributed, along with digital version emailed and shared on Irvine Virtual Community Centre. Positive feedback received from the readership within the community.

Activities for Older members of the Community

Euan continuing to meet with reps from Irvine Seniors Forum, BABCA and BAPTARA to discuss possible activities for older members of the community. The working group held a consultation on the possibility of running activities in Towerlands Community Centre for residents in Broomlands and Bourtreehill that are 55 years and above. Following on from the consultation it was agreed to hold a virtual Christmas Party (Friday 10th December), and a face to face bingo on Sunday 12th December at Towerlands CC.

Irvine Virtual Christmas Party

Team Currently working to deliver the virtual Christmas party on Friday 10th December. The Christmas party is being run in partnership with BABCA, BAPTARA, Irvine Seniors Forum, Irvine Youth Forum, Trindelmoor, Irvine Locality Team Modern Apprentices, Greenwood Academy, and Community Link Workers. Various content is being created from partners, ranging from pantos, dance performances, music, stand up, magic show and afternoon tea packs are being provided. Currently have 37 attendees registered.

Comedy For a Healthy Mind

4 session course pilot delivered by Euan in partnership with Community Link workers at Towerlands CC. The course started on 22/10/21 and looked at the role of laughter, mental health and performance comedy, and worked towards learners writing and performing comedy. 5 learners have completed the course, and material has been recorded by some of the learners for the Irvine Virtual Christmas Party.

Interest has also been shown to run the course again in the New Year for 12 learners going through their recovery journey. The current learners have also shown interest to offer peer support in the delivery of the new course.

Mental Health Improvement – A Practical Approach

Karen Lee – Public Health Improvement Officer, Leeanne Killen – CLW, Ainsley Fleck – CLW, Euan Lees – Community Development Worker, Elaine Baxter – Locality Officer Working on rolling out Mental Health Improvement – A practical approach in the new year. Training includes self help tools, links to digital resources, sign posting to services and 10 ways via NHS Ayrshire & Arran website. This is for ground level support in communities building capacity of people getting message out there about building resilience and coping mechanisms.

Multi-Agency Locality Workstream

Locality Officer and Senior Lead Officer from Irvine Locality Partnership are part of Multi-Agency Locality Workstream working across services to ensure children, young people and their families will be able to access the right supports and interventions at the right time provided by the right people. This will be provided through enhanced multi-agency working and locality-based approaches that are co-designed with and for those who access services.

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- CREATE SPACE TO COLLABORATE
- LEADERSHIP AT ALL LEVELS



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- DATA INFORMED IMPROVEMENT
- CODESIGN WITH CHILDREN, YOUNG PEOPLE AND FAMILIES



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Poverty

Support to Community Food Larders

Euan continuing to provide support to The Farm Basket Food Larder at Towerlands Community Centre, now have 40 members accessing the service.

Springside Food Larder (The 'Side Larder') will be up in running in the New Year now that the committee have been able to resolve issues with bank account access. Elaine continues to offer support to Choices who has over 250 members. All Larders are now part of "North Ayrshire Fairer Food Network" which is now being overseen by Fiona Pow and Laura Taylor. Locality Officers will only be requested to attend if they are required for individual larder support.

Larders across North Ayrshire have been allocated Christmas Funding to either support a hamper or present vouchers to larder members.

North Ayrshire Fairer Food Network

£70,000 funding has been sought to support fairer food initiative to bulk buy long life (ambient) food.

Emphasis on CWB approach working alongside local businesses in North Ayrshire. All community Larders across North Ayrshire have agreed to work together as a network and are considering the opportunity to constitute the group and open a business account to help the network grow in buying powers and work together to attract larger amounts of funding.

Irvine Youth Forum Breakfast Club

Project restarted September and has an operational calendar in place until December 2021. Continues to be a much needed and well attended club and it is nice to see more young people attending and developing social skills. The partners involved are A.D.P – Turning Point – Psychological Services- Health and Social Care partnership. We have also saw an increase in young people volunteering at the Club.

Food Provision over Christmas Period

Fullarton Hub, Irvine 11am – 11.30am

Tuesday 24th, Friday 27th, Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st December 2021
Holiday provision as a take away service meals include hot soup and packed lunch available for free to enjoy at home.

Elderbank Primary School 11am – 11:30am

Tuesday 24th, Friday 27th, Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st December 2021
Holiday provision as a take away service meals include hot soup and packed lunch available for free to enjoy at home.

Dreghorn Primary School 12:15pm – 12:45pm

Tuesday 24th, Friday 27th, Monday 30th, Tuesday 31st December 2021
Holiday provision as a take away service meals include hot soup and packed lunch available for free to enjoy at home.

Irvine Volunteer Rooms 12noon – 6pm

Christmas Day

Free Christmas Dinner for homeless, disadvantaged and lonely.
No need to book just turn up for more information please contact 01294 278390.



Locality Partnership The Ayrshire Community Trust Update – 1st December 2021

The Ayrshire Community Trust continues to support the Community and Voluntary Sector with a range of services. Below is a list of support / activities since the last Locality Meeting:

- www.tact.scot continues to be updated with a range of information.
- We have sent out various information bulletins highlighting useful resources, funding information and general advice – we have created a Health & Safety specific bulletin to keep the sector updated
- TACT Social Media continues to be used as a platform to promote safety messages from Police Scotland, Funding Information, Benefit Support, Energy Advice and vital local service provision. We would welcome any information from other service providers that we can share.
- TACT Staff had been organising and facilitating monthly 'networking' Forums for all 3rd Sector groups and organisations that wish to attend. On asking the Forum distribution list the meetings have reverted back to quarterly. The next online Forum Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 7th December. If you are a 3rd Sector organisation and you are interested in attending please email: info@tact.scot
- Staff continue to maintain regular dialogue with North Ayrshire Council to update on progress and identify additional ways we can work together.
- TACT still have a small supply of PPE for local volunteers / groups to access. This includes: gloves, sanitiser, aprons and face masks. If you know of any groups that could benefit from this, please telephone the office on: 01294 443044.
- TACT Digital are continuing to work on a digital reconstruction of Kilwinning Abbey. We hope this will enable a greater number of individuals to access the Abbey on a range of digital platforms. We have completed a new website for CLASP and AyrshireBEATS, we will soon be starting work on a new website for the NA Green Health Partnership.
- Positive Steps with Partners is our Employability Project focusing on working with local individuals to access quality work placements, training and personal development opportunities. The team have adapted the programme to a virtual setting offering a variety of short fun and interactive zoom sessions covering topics such as, Personal Skills and Strength's, Comfort Zones, goal setting and Cooking on a Budget. The project is involved at the Eglinton Community Garden and work with a variety of partners such as Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in offering work placement and training opportunities. If you have anyone that may be interested in finding out more please contact Cheryl Newall via: cheryl@tact.scot
- North Ayrshire Third Sector Chief Officer Group – This is open to Senior Staff working with a 3rd Sector Organisation across North Ayrshire. This Group works together to tackle local issues collectively whilst providing great networking opportunities. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday 24th February 2022 at 10am. If you are interested in getting involved, please email: kaileigh@tact.scot
- Eglinton Community Garden Collaboration - we are continuing to work with a range of organisations including North Ayrshire Council, Turning Point Scotland, The Conservation Volunteers, HSCP Learning Disability Team and North Ayrshire Alcohol and Drug Partnership to deliver a successful Community Garden for local people to get involved and learn to grow their own produce. If you have any one who is interested in volunteering at the Community Garden, please contact Ann Wilson by email at ann@tact.scot

- Organisational Support – continuing to work with groups and organisations delivering relevant training including Governance, Basic Bookkeeping, Constitution & Charity Registration and Volunteer Management. We have recently created a training programme drawing on the involvement of national 3rd sector support organisations such as Just Enterprise and Social Investment Scotland. We are also assisting with Charity Registrations, PVG Support, Funding Support and Support with compiling Constitutions.
- Community Wealth Building, North Ayrshire is the first Community Wealth Building Council in Scotland – this is fantastic news and something very positive for North Ayrshire. As the Third Sector Interface, TACT sits at the Community Wealth Commission. This commission supports the implementation of the CWB Strategy and will encourage involvement from local businesses, government agencies and local organisations on CWB initiatives.
- SLACK – The Ayrshire Community Trust and Arran CVS as the Third Sector Interface continue to host the engagement platform known as SLACK, for the wider sector. This platform has a wide range of information and resources for 3rd Sector Organisations to access provided through 17 dedicated channels. If you know of any 3rd sector groups or organisation that could benefit from access to this platform please contact: info@tact.scot
- Staff are continuing to update and source a range of Volunteering Opportunities that are currently available. We are still receiving a number of Volunteer Registrations and don't have enough placements for those interested. If you know of any groups or organisations that could benefit from some additional volunteers please contact info@tact.scot
- TACT and Arran CVS staff are continuing to offer individuals from different groups and organisations the opportunity to attend Mental Health Improvement Training to support the ongoing needs of service users and staff throughout this pandemic and importantly there on after. If you are interested in attending this training please email: info@tact.scot
- TACT Capacity Building Officers continue to work closely with Laura Taylor, Community Economic Development Officer (Community Wealth Building) and Nicola Gooch (Community Benefits Officer) to ensure that the sector have access to this essential opportunity.
- We will be presenting trophies to all organisations who have been part of our Organisation of the Month for the for the last 6 months of this year. This promotion has been received favourably with the 3rd sector and it gives a chance to highlight and promote them. If you would like to nominate a voluntary organisation to be promoted, please contact Susan Manson on susan@tact.scot
- The Volunteer Friendly Award is available for community groups who engage with volunteers. This award shows the commitment of groups to embed volunteers at the heart of their work. If anyone is would like more information, please contact ann@tact.scot
- The TSI (both TACT & Arran CVS) has been involved in providing a number of information sessions (one in each locality) for the Community Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund. The applications are now live with a closing date of Thursday the 6th of January 2022, for more information please visit: <https://www.arrancvs.org.uk/homepage/funding-new-funding-opportunity/>