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| Meeting: | Kilwinning Locality Partnership |
| Date/Venue: | 28 November 2022 at 7.00 p.m. – Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams |
| Present: | Councillor Scott Davidson (Chair) Councillor John Glover Councillor Donald Reid Alison Stell, Community Representative Rhona Arthur, Lead Officer (NAC) Louise Riddex, Locality Co-ordinator (NAC) David Cameron, Police Scotland Tim Swan, Head Teacher, Kilwinning Academy Susan Lauder, Head Teacher, Blacklands Primary School Louise Kirk, Senior Manager (NAC) Donna Anderson, Youth Participation Officer (NAC) Arthur Cowley, Senior Manager (NAC) Diane McCaw, Committee Services Officer (NAC) |
| Apologies: | Derek Frew, Senior Lead Officer Kimberley O'Neill, Community Learning Development Worker (Kilwinning) |

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| 1. | <p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed those present and apologies for absence were recorded.</p> <p>On behalf of the Partnership, the Chair also thanked Rhona Arthur, Head of Service (Connected Communities)/Lead Officer, for her valued contribution to the work of the Partnership and wished her well in her retirement.</p> | |
| 2. | <p>Action Note</p> <p>The action note from the meeting held on 1 September 2022 was approved.</p> | |
| 2.1 | <p>Matters Arising</p> <p>The following points were discussed as matters arising from the action note of the last meeting:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child Poverty Action Plan – Laura Neill, Senior Manager, Employability and Skills, North Ayrshire Council will attend a future meeting to discuss the approach to reach those who do not engage/access directly with Council services. The Child Poverty and Cost of Living Board have been carrying out an in-depth review of employability services and those wishing to get involved with this work can be added to the invitation to meetings. | <p><i>Rhona Arthur/ Jennifer McGee</i></p> |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Living Crisis – Cost of living support information is now available on the websites of North Ayrshire Council, Health and Social Care Partnership and the Community Planning Partnership, where a number of interventions are detailed including topping up child winter bridging payments. Cabinet will consider a report on 29 November on activity relating to various cost-of-living themes including the Scottish Child Payment increase, winter heating payment, fuel insecurity fund and widening eligibility in terms of the tenant grant fund. The paper will also discuss how people access services and next stages of support. • Consultation on Closure of Main Street, Kilwinning – Councillor Donald Reid confirmed no progress in terms of the signage which still mentioned reduced times. Louise Riddex undertook to chase this up. • Place Framework – the action plan will be passed from Louise Kirk to Louise Riddex but still a work in progress. <p>Noted.</p> | <p><i>Louise Riddex</i></p> <p><i>Louise Kirk</i></p> |
| <p>3.</p> | <p>B714</p> <p>The Partnership received an update from Louise Kirk and Arthur Cowley, Senior Managers, on the B714, which included information on:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the B714 links the trunk road network from the A78 Sharphill Roundabout (Three Towns Bypass) to the A737, south of Dalry; • the vital link for road users travelling to the West Coast and ferry links to Arran and Cumbrae; • the resulting improved connectivity between North Ayrshire and Glasgow, the Central Belt and wider motorway network as a result of the upgrade; • the increase in potential for tourism and economic development; • proposed options for upgrade arising from the Levelling Up fund; and • completion of the B714 upgrade which would comprise over 6.5km of new single carriageway and adjacent segregated 3m side active travel provision. <p>The Partnership asked questions and received clarification in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • any potential impact on the residents of Kilwinning; and • potential for improvement in terms of heavy goods vehicle traffic through Kilwinning. <p>Noted.</p> | |

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| 4. | Grants The Locality Partnership agreed that the Head of Connected Communities investigate a more appropriate source of funding for the grant purpose from within other Council funds. | Rhona Arthur |
| 5. | Learning Overview Susan Lauder, Head Teacher, Blacklands Primary School provided a verbal update on primary cluster school activity including:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the focus on Christmas and arrangements for family interaction through concerts, nativity etc.• collections within schools for pre loved school jumpers and party clothes;• fully and partly grant funded pantomime trips for pupils;• support which is available for families during the Christmas period;• Pennyburn Primary School providing support with Christmas decorations for local Ukrainian families;• Partnerships with Kilwinning Academy;• Attendance at school clubs by Blacklands Primary School pupils;• Sports development coaching; and• Awards for All funding in the amount of £7,500. Tim Swan, Head Teacher, Kilwinning Academy then provided a verbal update on activity including:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• echo work with primary colleagues;• the Kilwinning Academy Parent Council meeting held on 2 November;• the tour of the school for members of the Parent Council;• the P7 transition group attended by over 70 young people;• participation in the joint Cabinet in Redburn Community Centre;• the BBC roadshow on 8 November where presenters spoke to young people;• an update in relation to staff appointments;• S2 pupils being supported with subject choices for S3;• the virtual S4 parents night which took place on 14 November;• strike action day update and on other planned days of disruption;• the commencement of the S4 prelims; and• the S5 and S6 prelims which will start of 9 January 2023. Noted. | |
| 6. | Kilwinning Youth Forum The Locality Co-ordinator provided a report on the activities of the Youth Forum highlighting the following:- | |

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| | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • an increase in numbers, with 11 people registered and actively attending; • the recently held AGM; • the application for £1,000 to carry out a project in partnership with Eglinton Country Park, which has been successfully shortlisted to the voting stage for this year's Youth PB; • support for the Christmas lights switch on; • participation in the National Youth Work Week; and • future projects under consideration by the Forum. <p>Noted.</p> | |
| 7. | <p>Locality Officer and Locality Plan Update</p> <p>The Partnership received a written report and verbal update by the Locality Co-ordinator, who highlighted the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Kilwinning Primary 7 Transition Group who will be part of the Find your Feet Programme and work towards the Hi5 Award; and • work with community groups around winter warmer and heat hubs. <p>Donna Anderson, Youth Participation Officer, gave an update on youth work taking place across North Ayrshire including work with Kilwinning College as part of the Hi5 project, moves into positive destinations, an action plan arising from the work of the joint Cabinet which would be available for the next Locality Partnership meeting and the Youth Conference with P7 pupils.</p> <p>Noted.</p> | |
| 8. | <p>AOCB: Reports for Information</p> <p>8.1 2023 Meeting format</p> <p>The Partnership agreed that the Head of Service (Connected Communities) carry out a small poll of the Locality Partnership Members to determine the preferred option for meetings i.e., in person, virtual or hybrid.</p> <p>8.2 TACT</p> <p>An update from TACT dated November 2022 was circulated with the papers giving details of the range of services provided to support the community and voluntary sector.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p>8.3 Community Planning Inquiry</p> <p>Consultation is ongoing and a response will be pulled together on behalf of North Ayrshire Council.</p> <p>Noted.</p> | <p><i>Rhona Arthur/ Jennifer McGee</i></p> |

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| 9. | Date of Next Meeting To be confirmed. | |

Meeting ended at 8.20 p.m.