



North Ayrshire
Community Planning Partnership

Irvine Locality Partnership

Monday 5 December 2022, 6.00 p.m. on Microsoft Teams

BUSINESS

Item	Subject	Pg No	Ref	Officer	Timings
1.	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest.	-	-	Cllr Macaulay	6.00 – 6.05
2.	Action Note Review the action note and deal with any outstanding items.	Pg	Enclosed	Lesley Forsyth	6.05 – 6.10
3.	Irvine Youth Forum Update Receive update from Justin Jones.	-	Verbal	Justin Jones	6.10 – 6.20
4.	Police Scotland Community Wellbeing Unit Receive update from Iain Murray, Police Scotland.	-	Verbal	Iain Murray	6.20 – 6.40
5.	Youth Work in Relation to Locality Priorities Receive update from Donna Anderson.	-	Verbal	Donna Anderson	6.40 – 6.55
STANDING AGENDA ITEMS					
6.	Learning Overview Receive update.	-	Verbal	Head Teachers	6.55 – 7.10
7.	HSCP Overview Receive update from Louise Gibson.	Pg 7	Enclosed	Louise Gibson	7.10 – 7.20
8.	The Ayrshire Community Trust Receive update from Barbara Conner.	Pg 9	Enclosed	Barbara Conner	7.20 – 7.30
9.	Chit Chat Update Receive update from Chloe Smith.	-	Verbal	Chloe Smith	7.30 – 7.40
10.	Locality Officer Report Receive report from Elaine Baxter.	Pg 12	Enclosed	Elaine Baxter	7.40 – 7.50
11.	AOCB			Cllr Macaulay	7.50 – 8.00

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Planning Inquiry 			Lesley Forsyth	
<p>The next Community & Locality Planning Conference will be held on Saturday 28 January 2023 in Saltcoats Town Hall from 9.30 am. To book you place please email: communityplanning@north-ayrshire.gov.uk</p>					
<p>Date of Next Meeting: Will be confirmed in due course.</p>					

Distribution List:

Elected Members

Councillor Shaun Macaulay (**Chair**)
 Councillor Marie Burns
 Councillor Robert Foster
 Councillor Scott Gallacher
 Councillor Christina Larsen
 Councillor Nairn McDonald
 Councillor Matthew McLean
 Councillor Louise McPhater
 Councillor Chloe Robertson
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Marjory Dickie
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 Donna Fitzpatrick
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 Irene McIlwain
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CPP/Council Representatives

Lesley Forsyth, Lead Officer
 Craig Bisland, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
 David Cameron, Police Scotland
 Elaine Baxter, Locality Officer
 Barbara Conner, TSI

Meeting:	Irvine Locality Partnership	
Date/Venue:	26 September 2022 – Irvine Townhouse	
Present:	Councillor Shaun MacAulay (Chair) Councillor Marie Burns Councillor Chloe Robertson Councillor Louise McPhater Councillor Nairn McDonald Councillor Christina Larson Lesley Forsyth, Lead Officer Justin Jones, MSYP Inspector David Cameron, Police Scotland Louise Gibson, HSCP Representative Donna Fitzpatrick, Community Representative Sally McIntyre, Community Representative Marjory Dickie, Community Representative Annie small, Community Representative Irene McIlwain, Community Representative Lauren Fletcher, Active Schools Co-ordinator Elaine Baxter, Community Education Locality Co-ordinator Donna Anderson. Youth Participation Officer NAC Chloe Smith. Youth Worker NAC Kirsty Aitken – Children's 1 st .	
Apologies:	Councillor Robert Foster, Barbara Conner (TACT), Ian Wallace (Community Representative), Craig Bisland (SFRS)	
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 13 June 2022 was approved as a correct record and the implementation of decisions confirmed.	
2.1	Matters Arising The following points were discussed as matters arising from the action note of the last meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dates are being arranged for the walk-about in relation to the Great Harbour Project • Irvine Youth Hub – Walk around being arranged • CIF – accepted by partnership • Irvine Tennis Club – On final stages of CAT 	L Forsyth J Jones / E Baxter
3.	Irvine Youth Update	

	<p>Justin Jones provided a verbal update on the Youth Forum and highlighted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Irvine Youth Forum – Legacy Centre has been opened for young people. • Irvine Youth Forum became a registered charity. • Open to welcoming any new trustees and a volunteer specification for the role has been written up. Jen to share information. • With CIF funding from the locality partnership they have been on the road to opening the centre fully to the operational standards. • Next steps is to push forward with the staffing proposals. • Looking at funding avenues. 	<p>J Jones/J McGee</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Active Schools Overview</p> <p>The Partnership received a presentation from Lauren Fletcher highlighting the Active Schools aims:</p> <p>To provide more and higher quality opportunities to take part in sport and physical activity before school, during lunchtime and after school, and to develop effective pathways between schools and sports clubs in the local community.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Supporting skills and work opportunities • Enhancing our mental health & wellbeing • Alleviating poverty • Championing green health and the natural environment 	
<p>5.</p>	<p>Community Investment Fund</p> <p>The Partnership received a presentation from Children 1st outlining key elements and project outcomes in relation to their application for CIF funding. The award requested was £92,580 for 2 staff and resources. The staff will deliver community and family engagement work with local families in Bourtreehill and the across the wider community of Irvine. Children 1st staff answered questions from the members before leaving to allow the Partnership to consider the application. The Partnership discussed the application and agreed to support the request.</p>	<p>L Forsyth</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Grants</p> <p>The Locality Partnership agreed to award the following:</p> <p>Elderly Grants Fund</p> <p>BABCA £2,185 LBLB & Girdle Toll Age Concern £3,038 Dreghorn Old Peoples Welfare Committee £1,710 Drybridge Hall Management Association £178 Springside Community Association £513 Irvine Joint Wards Old Peoples Welfare Committee £7,426</p> <p>Total £15,049</p>	<p>L Forsyth</p>

7.	<p>Learning Overview</p> <p>No update provided at meeting.</p>	
8.	<p>HSCP Overview</p> <p>Louise Gibson provided a verbal update on HSCP and highlighted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Health and Social Care Partnership Senior management team have approved the use of Healthcare Improvement Scotland's framework for Community Engagement and Participation. • There are currently two Partnership Engagement Officer Posts advertised. • Primary Care: The roll out of Multi-Disciplinary Team (MDTs) professionals has taken place across Irvine and there are plans to recruit additional staff to support resilience e.g. annual leave and sick leave. • The Partnership alongside colleagues from Connected Communities, Education, CAMHS, and third sector colleagues are launching a new Instagram account called '<i>Daily Positive North Ayrshire</i>'. (daily_positivena). • The workforce plan is being undertaken as part of a national exercise and each HSCP is doing one. 	
9.	<p>Irvine Community Council</p> <p>No update provided at meeting.</p>	
10.	<p>Chit Chat Update</p> <p>Chloe Smith provided a verbal update on HSCP and highlighted the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Community Chit chats will be happening between October and November across centres in Irvine. • Within the chit chats Chloe will present what has been done/successful from the work of the previous chit chats . • From the chit chats sub groups may be created, these groups could focused on the locality priorities. • A suggestion that some of the chit chats should be held during the day to improves accessibility. Chloe will arrange this 	
11.	<p>Locality Officer Report</p> <p>Elaine Baxter provided an overview of the Locality Progress Report which had been circulated.</p>	
11.1	<p>Donna Anderson provided a verbal update on Mental Health and Wellbeing and highlighted the following:</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth PB – applications open until the 16 October – the link to apply is young.scot/napb Linking in with Mental Health Delivery Officers (pdf attached). Employability – Paul Montgomery (Care Experienced YP) - (Project Delivery Officer / Community Learn & Dev) and Kieran Morrell (Project Delivery Officer / Community Learn & Dev) are both looking at early intervention and support to young people disengaging from education. Currently a school offer is being designed for schools to take this up after the October holidays – these offers of employability support can be provided across community provisions. 	
12.	<p>A.O.B.</p> <p>Vice Chair</p> <p>More applications have been received for the vacant Community Reps positions. It was agreed not to fill the role of Vice Chair till the applications had been assessed, new Reps added and hence included for consideration a Vice Chair. The applications will be discussed at a separate meeting.</p> <p>Police Scotland</p> <p>Inspector David Cameron advised the Partnership that figures/statistics on the locality can be provided. It was agreed this would be beneficial to the Partnership together with a local contact within Police Scotland for the individuals within the Partnership.</p>	<p>Lesley Forsyth</p>
13.	<p>Date of Next meeting</p> <p>The date of the next meeting will be Monday 5 December 2022 at 6.00pm.</p>	

Meeting ended at 7:35pm

Developing our Engagement Approach

North Ayrshire HSCP has many areas of strength in relation to engagement and participation. However, it has many areas where improvement can be made.

In 2023, we will implement a new approach to locality engagement, aiming to increase levels of participation from communities and representation from HSCP service areas.

Why change our approach?

- The current guidance for locality engagement has not been reviewed since 2015.
- LPFs have experienced many challenges including difficulties in recruiting to core member roles, undertaking effective engagement with communities, and forums being unclear how their activity leads to overall change in the HSCP.
- LPFs have never fully been considered as a resource for Community Engagement by HSCP services.



What does it look like?

Locality Conversations
Frequency: 2 per year in each locality

These will be larger stakeholder events and will be facilitated in **community settings** in each locality in North Ayrshire. Staff members from across services in the Partnership, Council, NHS, 3rd and Independent Sector will be encouraged to attend alongside the community members in each locality.

The events will be facilitated by the Partnership Engagement Officer team with staff teams being encouraged to help share possible topic discussions based on what is going on in services at that time. These events will be structured but relaxed to enable people to have conversations, ask questions and share ideas around health and social care services in their locality.

Locality Planning Review Groups
Frequency: 2 per year between Locality Conversations

The purpose of the review groups is to explore the themes and ideas shared from the Locality Conversation events.

The role of the review group will be to scrutinise the available information and provide updates, feedback and recommendations through the Partnership's governance structures at Strategic Planning Group, PSMT and IJB. Each Locality Planning Review Group will have a nominated Chair who will have the responsibility of providing feedback on the Locality Conversations and take forward any actions to relevant services.

The membership of the Locality Planning Review Groups will consist of:

- Chairperson (IJB member)
- Senior Manager from Partnership Services
- Locality Officer from Connected Communities
 - Community Link Worker
 - Practice Manager
- Representative from the Partnership Performance Team
- Representative from the Strategic Planning Team
- Other relevant officers, co-opted on an ad-hoc basis based on expertise to subject matter.

Engagement Structure

Locality Engagement: Locality Conversations

Facilitating sessions with the community who live and work in the locality about health and social care.

Strategic Engagement: Locality Planning Review Groups

Strategic review groups responsible for scrutinising the information from the Locality Conversations and reporting through HSCP governance structures.

Digital Engagement: Care Improvement Network

A platform for people to engage digitally with the HSCP via newsletters, online meetings etc

Links to Community Planning Partnership

The chair of the Locality Planning Review Groups will be a representative at the Locality Partnership Meetings

"Engagement that takes place routinely helps to develop trust between communities and public bodies, fosters mutual understanding, and makes it easier to identify sustainable service improvements"
(Planning with People, 2021).

"In order to be effective, community engagement must be relevant, meaningful and have a clearly defined focus"
(Planning with People, 2021).

Locality Partnership The Ayrshire Community Trust Update – 9th November 2022

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.
- 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 have been organising and facilitating quarterly 'networking' Forums for all 3rd Sector groups and organisations that wish to attend. The next online Forum Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday 6th December 2022. 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's history on a range of digital platforms. We are also creating Virtual Reality experiences for the Neurodevelopmental Empowerment & Strategy Team (NEST) to raise awareness of the challenges faced by neuro-divergent individuals. We are currently working on the final phase of development for the North Ayrshire Green Health Partnership website. Find out more about our digital services here: <https://www.tact.scot/digital>
- Positive Steps with Partners is our Pre-Employability Project focusing on Personal development activities supporting barrier removal in helping people become more ready for exploring employability options. The team have adapted the programme to a hybrid 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 supporting volunteers to develop and enhance their skills in horticulture. 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 to take place via Zoom on Thursday 1st December 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 Cheryl Newall by email at cheryl@tact.scot
- Organisational Support – continuing to work with groups and organisations delivering relevant training including Governance, Basic Bookkeeping, Constitution & Charity Registration, Funding, and Volunteer Management. We have again organised for

various 3rd party experts to deliver a range of training this year including Business Planning and Measuring Impact and Social Investment this training appears on the Learning Collaborative brochure. We are also assisting with Charity Registrations, PVG Support, Funding Support and Support with compiling Constitutions. Continuing to support groups in achieving SCIO status in regards to their CAT applications.

- 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.
- Virtual Reality Taster Sessions - TACT Digital have been delivering taster sessions to a wide range of organisations and groups including: Autism Support Ayrshire, YES (Your Entire Self), CAMEO Group (LinkUp Saltcoats), SENSE Scotland. We have future bookings for Chest Heart & Stroke Scotland, No-one Dies Alone Ayrshire and Ayrshire Cancer Support. These taster sessions are aimed at organisations interested in trying out VR as an aid to promote mental health and wellbeing for their service users and/or staff. Our aim is to explore collaborative opportunities and highlight the therapeutic benefits of immersive virtual reality environments and how they may be integrated into existing support frameworks. To book a free taster session contact: john@tact.scot
- SLACK – The Ayrshire Community Trust and Arran CVS as the Third Sector Interface are operating an 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 high number of Volunteer Registrations and don't have enough placements for those interested. If you know of any groups or organisations that could assist with some additional volunteers please contact info@tact.scot
- TACT and Arran CVS are currently considering organising a 'Networking Conference' to take place in early 2023. This will be an opportunity for a range of groups, organisations and partners to showcase their own organisations and find out from others what great work is taking place across North Ayrshire. More details to follow.
- TACT Capacity Building Officers continue to promote Community Benefit opportunities to the 3rd sector, this also includes training and opportunities to learn topics such as first aid and tendering skills from successful NAC contractors.
- Organisation of the Month promotion still going strong. To date we have promoted 27 voluntary organisations. 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 interested, please contact ann@tact.scot
- Adult Volunteer Recognition Award – This award was launched in June 2021 and is designed to recognise the hours of commitment that Volunteers give to organisations throughout North Ayrshire. To date 112 certificates have been issued with one person receiving our top award of completing over 200 hours and showing outstanding commitment. If you are interested in finding out more please contact Ann Wilson on ann@tact.scot

- Supporting our Third Sector Interface partners Arran CVS with the Communities Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund for the second year. Applications closed at 3pm on Friday 18th November 2022. Applications are currently being checked and will be sent to scoring panels shortly, we are hoping to communicate the outcome of all applications by mid-January, but we are aiming to have made all award decisions pre-Christmas
- If any Third Sector Organisations are supporting New Scots living in North Ayrshire and are in need of some small pockets of funds to offer support please get in touch on 01294 443044 or email: info@tact.scot



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Digital Irvine /
Irvine CLD Team

Irvine Locality Network Meetings

Following on from some of the great collaborative work that happened in the community hubs during the pandemic, locality officers and lead officers would facilitate locality network meetings to be held 4 times a year. This will give different departments and community organisations working within the locality the chance to come together, talk about what work is going on in the locality, and look at where we can have a more joined up approach, ensuring the best a collaborative approach to tackling locality priorities. Our locality network meeting that was scheduled for November has been postponed till Tuesday 17th January 2023 in Redburn Community Centre and will look at the report from chat chats which discussed poverty. Chloe Smith will provide an update at the locality partnership meeting in December.

Community Associations:

Fullarton Hub

Fullarton CA had their annual fayre on Saturday 18th November supporting small businesses and bringing the community together.

Fullarton hosts a variety of services and supports for the local community offering groups such as Breakfast Club, Community Matters Recovery Group, community bingo Wellbeing for woman, Employability Hub, Kids Zone – offering a free meal to children and young people who attend, Media Clubs, Zumba, Fullarton community gardens, DofE groups to name a few of the activities.

BABCA

The community association are working in partnership with CLD, Café Solace and Irvine Senior Forum to put on a Christmas Festive Party for over 50's providing Lunch, Activities and Entertainment on Thursday 15th December. Tickets are sold out.

Community Café – Now open Monday, Wednesday and Friday offering the community a warm and welcoming space where they can enjoy tea, coffee and hot soup.

NAC Community Facilities are in process of arranging the CAT of land to develop the community garden. Partnership project between Irvine Newtown Mens Shed, BABCA and Farm Basket.

Drybridge Management Hall

The committee are currently working on a community questionnaire regarding the lack of path between on the Shewalton Road between the village and the Walkway and GSK/industrial estate. I had a meeting with Kate Cuthbert (Active Travel Hub) on Thurs 3rd November for advice on progressing consultation and submitting request for path.

The committee are Christmas Craft Night on Friday 18th November at 7pm. The committee are also holding a festive film screening on Sunday 4th December which is being by the Food Bank/Nazarene Church. The committee are also looking to host a Bingo night on the 9th December.

The committee are also running a panto trip for the villagers between Christmas and new year.



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Literacies & numeracy

Met with Karen Wallace (Training Officer) from Ardagh Glass and Jennifer Haining on Tuesday 25th October to discuss developing **Workplace literacy Course**. Ardagh Glass are collating list of names for possible learners.

Met with representative from Castlepark Primary School on Thursday 27th October to discuss developing **Parents literacy Course** to assist parents with pupils homework. Aiming to run course in new year, after initial meeting with parents to identify initial needs.

Jennifer is Continuing to provide **adult literacy/numeracy /employability support** to clients of CEIS North Ayrshire and Pipeline/other community partners. As of the 15th of September, 13 learners have engaged.

Irvine Youth Forum

Irvine Youth Forum continues to meet on a Friday evening between 5 & 7pm. They have applied for £10,000 from National Lottery which will be spent on residential stays for members of the youth groups within Irvine.

They are organising local events for families for the run up to Xmas – these include Santa's Grotto at Irvine Yuletide event, bingo, xmas disco and quiz.

Following a recent meeting a service level agreement with Irvine Youth Legacy Hub has been agreed and the trustees will potentially change their details to youth legacy hub and NAC will keep the identity of the Irvine Neighbourhood Youth Forum.

The trustees have agreed in principle and SLA has to be finalised between both NAC and The Youth Legacy Hub. We will still continue to support both groups as we do just now.



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Employability

Fullarton Hub

Employability Hub is on with Laura McConnachie every Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Pop in or call hub on 01294 278207.

Adult Literacy and Employability Support Irvine

Adult literacy, numeracy and employability support. Referrals from partner agencies such as CEIS, DWP and community partners. 1-2-1 support for learners and group employability support weekly. To make a referral contact Euan Lees, Redburn Community Centre 01294313593 or euanlees@north-ayrshire.gov.uk

Greenwood Academy – Positive destinations for 16+ (KMorrell, Employability Project Delivery Officer)

Working in Greenwood academy with 16 young people who are potential disengaged and non-attenders. The young people are going through an employability programme and are also receiving positive destination route planning support. This happens weekly.

HIVE Kilwinning College Campus

Currently working with Ayrshire college with 3 classes, each class has 18 young people who are going through employability skills and positive destination support. This happens weekly.



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Mental Health and Wellbeing

Community Mental Health Project Officer Irvine, Vicky Andrew

North Ayrshire Wide - Beeyou ambassadors- a group of newly trained mental health first aiders coming together to form a group that looks to develop mental health and wellbeing practice locally.

MH&WB Community Mapping- a list of sources of support and signposting opportunities has been collected and condensed into a live document for Irvine <https://www.north-ayrshire.gov.uk/your-community/community-mapping-mhwb-young-people.aspx>

North Ayrshire Community Mental Health Ambassadors have applied for Youth PB and the National Lottery Community Fund for Kindness Murals around North Ayrshire, creation of kindness /suicide prevention murals across NA targeting spots of successful suicide attempts in each locality and doing a positive affirmation quote. We have done some research into signs around communities and how you become a product of your environment, taking in all that is around you. We hope that this project will become an environmental enhancement that will promote visual wellness and give signposting opportunities to Mental Health and Wellbeing Community mapping.



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Winter Warmer 2022 in partnership with Connected Communities and Community Partners:

The aim of this new provision across all localities is to mitigate some of the impact of fuel poverty and loneliness. The provision has been developed and co-produced with a wide range of community partner with a focus on dignity for all participants.

Castlepark Community Association

The association are in process of undergoing training to allow centre volunteers to take on the running of their community café. They are currently working towards completing their food hygiene certificate to allow them to open their community café offering the community low cost access to lunches.

Breakfast Club each weekday morning giving families access to tea, coffee, toast and fresh fruit before children attend nursery.

Bourtreehill and Broomlands Community Association

Association working in partnership with local sewing ladies to make canny cookers to be given out to families who are members of the Farm Basket (Community Larder).

Café Solace and BABCA working in partnership to pilot an evening a week in Towerlands for 8 weeks offering community a 3 course meal for £2.95.

Cooking on a Budget – 8 week cooking course looking at cooking a nutritious meal using contents from community larder.

Friends of Redburn Group

Community Lunch – Monday 12:30pm

Cooking group formed and volunteers recruited to make soup every Monday for anyone to drop in over lunch time. This will run from November till end of March. Members of the group will be issued with a flask to take hot soup away and can return weekly were they can have it refilled. Activities include chatter and natter, arts and crafts and cooking. All welcome.

Vineburgh Community Association

Vineburgh Wellness Warriors Monday night family night were families come together and enjoy a free 3 course meal and take part in family activities, games and Christmas arts & crafts.

Vineburgh Community Cafe

Emma's Tasty Lunch

3 course meal for £3.00 available every Monday

Irvine Youth Forum – Breakfast Club

Fortnightly from Redburn and weekly during school holidays.

Every second Saturday 10am-12noon

Café Solace Hub

Irvine Youth Legacy Hub

Every Friday 10am-3pm



Poverty



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Supporting recovery in the community, Advice and information from peer mentors and current service users, Naloxone training, support to access KA Leisure passes, advice for families & friends who are affected by addiction.

Crossing Together Project

Crossing Together tea and roast drop-in and the new to me clothing project are open on a Monday morning 9.15am to 11.15am. We are in the Bourtreehill Relief Mission Centre at Crofthead, Bourtreehill, KA11 1JX (behind the vennel shops). We are keen to open more often and are working on recruiting more volunteers to enable us to do that. In relation to the funding available we would use it to open an additional session over lunch time to include hospitality and heating. Any additional funding, we access would enable us to pay volunteer expenses and to provide soup and a filled roll at the weekly activity as well as host extra events during the year in the evening and weekends. We are also growing in numbers attending so additional bistro tables and chairs and equipment could also be invested in. The environment is a warm, friendly hub which is open to folks of all ages and all backgrounds. We offer everything free to the community to support in the cost-of-living crisis but also, we are keen to look after the environment by recycling clothing and working as a warm hub, so fuel is used in the public space and not required to run extra in homes.

Irvine Youth Forum

Youth Movie Nights and drop in charging service for young people to charge any devices. This to take place from Irvine Youth Legacy hub dates and times to be confirmed. Winter warmer pack to be made to include:

- Hot Water Bottles
- Torch
- Fluffy socks
- Fleece blanket
- Flask for hot meals

Quarterly North Ayrshire Fairer Food Network - meeting held on 28th September. Updates provided on group buying, Operation Blackstart, the consultant review and other topics (e.g. training offer from NHS, starting to think about Christmas).

Network feedback on the group buying pilot has resulted in the transition from fruit and veg to ambient stock. This process is being undertaken at present, with 2 larders having come forwards with offers for the network from their own suppliers.



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Green Health

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North Ayrshire Conservation Volunteers currently working with officer to look at the results of the Bourtreehill Park.

CLD to support idea around the development of a development trust in the Bourtreehill area looking at the joint working of the chit chats and network meetings.

For further information contact: Elaine Baxter, Locality Officer – Irvine, Redburn Community Centre, Dickson Drive, Irvine. Email: ebaxter@north-ayrshire.gov.uk Tel: 01294 313593 Mob: 07814418453