

# Action Note

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Garnock Valley Locality Partnership</b>
<b>Date/Venue:</b>	8 December 2022 - Lochshore Hub, Caledonian Rd, Lochshore, Beith, KA14 3BE
<b>Present:</b>	Councillor John Bell (Chair); Councillor Margaret Johnson; Councillor Donald L. Reid; Elaine Young, NHS Ayrshire and Arran (Senior Lead Officer); Angela Morrell, Senior Manager, Community Learning & Development, NAC Garry Tait, Community Development Worker, NAC; James Waite, Beith & District Community Council; Catherine Wigzell, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council; Christina Pieraccini, Locality Officer, NAC; David Cameron, Police Scotland; George Bradbury, Police Scotland; Fiona Gibson, Police Scotland; Louise Kirk, Senior Manager (Regeneration), NAC; Pamela McCallum, Head Teacher (St Palladius Primary School); Dennis Hopkins, Head Teacher (St. Bridget's Primary School) Samantha Ross, Community Development Worker, NAC; and Craig Stewart, Committee Services Officer, NAC Donna Anderson, Youth Participation and Democracy Officer, NAC
<b>Apologies:</b>	Councillor Ronnie Stalker; Councillor Anthea Dickson, Fiona Dunlop (Beith Primary School) and Kaileigh Brown (TACT).

## ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	<p><b>Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the Garnock Valley Locality Partnership meeting and apologies for absence were noted.</p> <p>At the invitation of the Chair, and for the benefit of any new attendees, those present introduced themselves.</p>	
2.	<p><b>Action Note</b></p> <p>The Action Note from the previous meeting, held on 27 September 2022, was approved.</p> <p>The following point was raised as matters arising: The CIF application for Beith Playpark Action Group, which was approved on 27 September, has been passed at Cabinet and payment is now being processed.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Police Scotland – Wellbeing Unit</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from David Cameron, Fiona Gibson and George Bradbury on a pilot project, which focuses on a</p>	

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	<p>multi-agency approach and early intervention. It is hoped this project will reduce reoffending. The project involves engaging with individuals to ensure they have the correct support in place, including within a prison setting and also within Children's Units. It was reported that there had already been some success stories and had resulted in a reduction in calls. If the project is successful, it will be rolled out to other areas.</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<p><b>B714</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from Louise Kirk on the B714 engagement, which is currently underway. This project will upgrade the current route between Dalry and Saltcoats and will provide a better link between the Three Towns and the Garnock Valley, while also creating a safe active travel route. This project is part of the strategic link to the central belt, which also includes Dalry By Pass and the planned Beith By Pass. This engagement will help to build the business case to finalise the Levelling Up Funding. Louise stated that the feedback so far had been positive and encouraged as many people as possible to complete the survey before it closed next week.</p>	
<b>5.</b>	<p><b>Garnock Valley Young People</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from Garry Tait on the work carried out with young people in the Garnock Valley and from Donna Anderson on the work being done North Ayrshire wide that links to and supports the work at a Locality level. This included the open evening held by the Garnock Valley Youth Forum as part of National Youth Work Week and the Youth PB, which has recently concluded. Garry highlighted three after school groups which have recently started in each of Beith, Dalry and Kilbirnie and also the gaming group in Dalry, working in partnership with St. Palladius Primary. David Cameron commented that Youth Disorder across North Ayrshire was at its lowest for a number of years and it was commented that this could be the impact of strong youth engagement. It was highlighted however that incidents within school settings were higher. Pamela McCallum highlighted how significant youth engagement was as it helped encourage the young people to be part of and be proud of their community.</p> <p>Cllr Reid commented positively on the work of the Youth Forum and the Once Loved Uniform Centre, especially going out in to the community.</p> <p>Donna gave an update on Youth PB, Joint Cabinet, the Youth Conference and the Climate Change Ambassadors, which young people from the Garnock Valley all participated in.</p> <p>The Partnership noted the terms of the verbal update given.</p>	
<b>6.</b>	<p><b>Learning Overview</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from Pamela McCallum, Head Teacher of St Palladius Primary School on their school fayre, which was a no cost event to ensure all families were included and linked to</p>	

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	<p>Cost of the School Day. Pamela also highlighted that they had utilised COSD funding in a sustainable way, by providing warm coats, hats and wellies for the children. Dennis Hopkins, Head Teacher of St Bridgets Primary, reported they had observed an increase in attention and focus of the children and feels the school environment is almost back to normal now post covid.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>7.</b>	<p><b>Community Rep Application</b></p> <p>The Partnership considered an application from Jane Lamont for the position of Community Representative. The Partnership approved the application and Jane will be notified of the outcome.</p>	
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Locality Plan Progress</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update by Christina Pieraccini and from community representatives present, who highlighted feedback from the following sub-groups:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Moving Around – Christina provided an update on behalf of the working group, highlighting the sustainable transport survey in partnership with PAS and the feedback event on 9 November;</li> <li>• Facilities and Amenities – Catherine Wigzell and Christina gave an update, highlighting the progress of the GV2023 project which consultants are currently planning the community engagement for to take place early in the new year; and</li> <li>• Work and the Local Community – James provided an update on the work of the working group, highlighting discussions around Mental Health and Wellbeing in young people.</li> </ul> <p>There has also been much discussion in the working groups around how to put ideas in to action.</p> <p>Update noted.</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Locality Officer Report</b></p> <p>Christina Pieraccini made reference to her update, which had been circulated detailing the considerable work in numerous areas which had been undertaken in the locality and invited any questions. Samantha Ross gave an update on the work she had been doing to promote the Locality Partnership and the working groups.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Lochshore</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from Angela Morrell and Louise Kirk on the progress at Lochshore.</p>	

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11.	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p><b><u>Community Planning Inquiry</u></b></p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update by Councillor Bell (Chair) on the above.</p> <p>Noted.</p> <p><b><u>HSCP Update</u></b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update on the above.</p> <p><b><u>Budget Engagement</u></b></p> <p>Angela highlighted the Budget Engagement, which is scheduled for Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
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**The meeting ended at 9.20 p.m.**