

Action Note

Meeting:	Arran Locality Partnership
Date/Venue:	Wednesday 30 November 2022 at 5.00 pm via Microsoft Teams
Present:	<p>Councillor Timothy Billings (Chair) Vicki Yuill, Chief Executive Officer, Arran CVS (Senior Lead Officer) Audrey Sutton, Executive Director, Communities & Education (Lead Officer) Lesley Forsyth, Senior Manager Information and Culture Anne Marie Hunter, Engagement and Participation Officer Judi Worthington, Argyle College Bill Calderwood, Arran Community Council Ruth Betley, Senior Manager, Arran Services, NHS Ayrshire & Arran Lindsey Murphy, Health Improvement Lead, NHS Ayrshire & Arran Ian Staples, Manager, Arran Outdoor Education Centre Susan Foster, Head Teacher Diana Turbett, Community Representative Carol Norton, Operations Manager, Arran CVS</p> <p>In attendance:</p> <p>Donna Anderson, Youth Participation Officer (Item 3) Ruth McLaren, Arran Eco Savvy (Item 5) Helen Ross, Arran Eco Savvy (Item 5)</p> <p>Jennifer McGee, Community & Locality Planning Assistant, North Ayrshire Council (Notes)</p>
Apologies:	<p>Shirley MacLachlan, Head Teacher Tom Tracey, Community Representative Kevin Blackley, Police Scotland Gordon Cairns, Scottish Fire and Rescue</p>

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No.	Action	Responsible
1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and apologies for absence were noted.</p>	Noted
2.	<p>Minutes from meeting held on 20 September 2022</p> <p>The action note arising from the meeting held on 20 September 2022 were approved.</p>	Noted
3.	<p>Youth Participation</p> <p>Donna Anderson provided the Locality Partnership with an overview on Youth Participation in North Ayrshire and how this impacts young people on Arran.</p> <p>D Anderson highlighted that her team has two employability project workers that worker and two mental health project workers who cover the whole of North Ayrshire.</p> <p>The mental health project workers have developed a number a different projects and campaigns and they are keen to get young people on Arran involved. The team have been working with mental health and wellbeing</p>	

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	<p>ambassadors, who are young people in secondary school, and they are undertaking a SCQF 6 course in mental health first aid training. This is a three-day course which will allow the young people to become peer educators. D Anderson asked for any young people interested to get in touch as the team will be running their next course early next year.</p> <p>The team also support the Climate Change Ambassadors, this group was formed after COP 26 and was due to finish last year nationally, however, the project continues to run locally due to young people wanting to do more around climate change and sustainability. The Ambassadors also feed into the strategic Council working group and are keen to incorporate work on Arran also.</p> <p>A new project is being launched called Take Time Families, which brings together young people and families looking at resilience and wellbeing in a family setting. D Anderson advised the Locality Partnership that she would share details of all programmes.</p> <p>The Employability Team support a number of different projects, they have also carried out a roadshow on Arran and engaged with young people who are at risk of leaving school without a positive destination. The team also offer one to one support, interview skills and CV writing. They also offer an employability qualification called playback ice. The team would be happy to come over to the Island to support young people.</p> <p>The team are also looking to host a wellbeing roadshow on the island working alongside Arran Youth Foundations.</p> <p>In terms of youth participation, in North Ayrshire we have two MSYPs who are very keen to come over to engage with young people and partners on the island. The MSYPs campaign this year is Right to Food.</p> <p>Youth Service and CLD Team have submitted their portfolio to become a LGBT Sliver Charter Mark organisation to ensure we are fully inclusive of any young people who are LGBT. D Anderson happy to share information with organisations who would be interested in obtaining this also.</p> <p>During November it was National Youth Work Week. On Arran the focus was on poverty and inequalities with a concentration on psychotherapy arts programme.</p> <p>At a recent Joint Cabinet meeting there was five key issues addressed at the meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cost of Living • Young People Voice • Engagement with Police • Wellbeing • Health <p>A draft report will be available January 2023 and will be shared around the Locality Partnerships when available.</p> <p>D Anderson highlighted that the team has carried out community mapping around mental health support for young people and their families. The team are now moving on to Arran. D Anderson asked for any services the Locality Partnership know of that look at mental health and wellbeing,</p>	<p>All</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>D Anderson</p> <p>D Anderson</p> <p>All</p>
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	<p>resilience, or anything around the wellbeing agenda on the Island to forward contact details on to her for inclusion.</p> <p>A Sutton highlighted that it would be good to arrange for a future meeting to hear directly from young people at a more local level. The Chair was supportive of this suggestion.</p> <p>The Chair highlighted that data is being gathered around how projects directly link in with the Island Plan. The Chair advised that he would be in touch regarding the discussed projects and how these match in.</p> <p>The Chair thanked D Anderson for the update.</p>	<p>J McGee</p> <p>T Billings</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Locality Partnership Forum/HSCP Overview</p> <p>Ruth Betley provided the Locality Partnership with an update on the work of the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP).</p> <p>R Betley advised that at the workshop held in August, there was discussion around the restart of HSCP Locality Planning Forum. As a result of this discussion, there is now a patient participation group been set up. R Betley advised that she would be meeting with them next week to discuss the wider health and social care planning forum to start to inform the next steps the team take.</p> <p>R Betley also advised that she would be meeting with Michelle Sutherland, Vicki Yuill and the engagement team will be meeting the following week to look at how to engage more meaningfully.</p> <p>In terms of the Integration Hub, the initial agreement was pulled together in 2019, the team are now revisiting this work and updating the initial agreement. This is also part of the National Island Plan 2 and a programme board will be re-established to take forward this piece of work.</p> <p>R Betley is keen for members of the Locality Partnership to be part of the programme board.</p> <p>The Chair thanked R Betley for her updated and commented that it is very positive to see this work restarting.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Community Investment Fund – Full Application - Arran Eco Savvy</p> <p>Ruth McLaren and Helen Ross of Arran Eco-Savvy presented the Locality Partnership with their full application to the Community Investment Fund for £87,788.</p> <p>The Chair asked R McLaren and H Ross to provide updates on the four main points which were raised at the September 2022:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Who are the other organisations and individuals on Arran who undertake similar activities and how does Eco-Savvy link and work with these organisations to enhance each other's projects and prevent duplication of effort? • How are volunteers used to support the work of Eco-Savvy? • How will the CIF funding be used to attract additional funding sources, and what plans are there to ensure that this project is sustainable beyond the end of the CIF grant? 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• How does this project link into all three of the themes of the Island Plan and contribute to the achievement of actions across all the themes? <p>R McLaren provided the Locality Partnership with an update on each of the points and provided examples for the each of their projects.</p> <p>B Calderwood commented that the application is very comprehensive and asked if there was anything that shows income over the last few years.</p> <p>H Ross advised that it is Eco-Savvy's ambition is to generate more income themselves. The pandemic limited their ability to raise funding via the shop. To address this ambition, the shop has been refitted and have moved from a paper-based system to a shopify system to allow the shop to be run in a more productive way. Eco-Savvy also have a donate button on their website where people make donations. H Ross also advised that they are working on a renewable energy project which will generate income which could be used to support environmental projects going forward.</p> <p>A Sutton asked for clarification around the hours, contract length etc for the roles the CIF funding would support.</p> <p>R McLaren highlighted that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sustainable Food Coordinator would work 3 days per week from from April 2023 for 12 months. Eco-Savvy have funding for this post until March 2023.• Shop Manager would work two days per week from January 2023. One day's salary would be covered by Eco-Savvy.• Carbon and Energy Project Manager would work two days per week from January – March 2023.• Communications and Funding Officer would work 1.5 days per week from April 2023.• Logistics and Support Officer would work three days per week from April 2023 for one year.• Strategic Project Development Manager would work three days per week from February 2023 until April 2024. <p>In terms of travel and transport section, the team are looking at additional funding sources to expand on this work.</p> <p>V Yuill asked if Eco-Savvy were successful in obtaining the £349k funding from the investing Communities Fund mentioned in their application, would the funding from CIF still be necessary?</p> <p>R McLaren advised that should Eco-Savvy be successful in obtaining that funding, they would revisit the application with the Locality Partnership.</p> <p>The Chair commented that he would be keen to look at how this project would be sustained longer term and the sustainable outcomes that are going to come out of this application, as it is not very clear within the application at the moment. The Chair also commented that everything noted within the application is very worthwhile, however suggested continuing this discussion offline to examine the points around sustainability in a lot of detail.</p>	<p>Noted</p>
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	<p>The Locality Partnership agreed that discussions should continue offline and bring back an application when appropriate.</p> <p>A Hunter advised that she would contact R McLaren to progress this work.</p> <p>The Chair thanked Eco-Savvy for their application.</p>	<p>A Hunter</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Grants</p> <p>L Forsyth provided the Locality Partnership with two Community Benefit Fund Grant applications. The first from Arran High Mountain Bike Club and the second from Arran CVS. V Yuill and B Calderwood declared an interest in the application submitted by Arran CVS.</p> <p>L Forsyth advised the Locality Partnership that the applications submitted, total more than the current balance of the Community Benefit Fund.</p> <p>The Arran High Mountain Bike Club application seeks £4000 towards the purchase of a steel building at the Dyemill in Lamlash. L Forsyth highlighted that it was mentioned within their application that it is their intention to come to the Locality Partnership to seek Community Investment Funding in the future.</p> <p>The Arran CVS application seeks £1352 of funding towards supporting lunch clubs for the residents of Trust's Retirement Housing developments and the wider older person community from January – March 2023.</p> <p>The Locality Partnership agreed to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Award £2000 to the Arran High Mountain Bike Club • Award £1352 of funding to Arran CVS <p>The Chair thanked L Forsyth for the report.</p>	<p>Rosemary Ramsay</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Child Poverty/Cost of Living</p> <p>A Sutton advised that through the Child Poverty Board work has been carried out to establish the important themes that could be drivers and that are also able to mitigate child poverty and the cost of living. Due to the issues being the same the Child Poverty Board has been extended to the Child Poverty and Cost of Living Board. A link to a report that was approved by the Council's cabinet recently was shared with the Locality Partnership.</p> <p>A Sutton also highlighted the cost-of-living page on the Council's website and encouraged Locality Partnership members to share with their networks.</p> <p>A Sutton advised that on the mainland there has been a series of mini inquiries to discuss, in open forum, the gaps out there and what we could do better. A Sutton suggested having a separate mini inquiry on the cost of living for Arran to hear the views of local people on ongoing work, gaps and opportunities for people seek small levels of support to help support the cost of living. The mini inquiry would also demonstrate the relevance of the Locality Partnership and the work we do together to the wider Arran Community</p>	

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	<p>The Chair welcomed this suggestion and thinks it would be of benefit to those living on Arran.</p> <p>V Yuill commented that hearing from working age population on the Island is particularly important as the cost of living is a lot higher on Arran than the mainland.</p> <p>D Turbett commented that going through the schools would be a good way to identify people to get accurate information.</p> <p>A Sutton advised that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a draft invite will be circulated to the Locality Partnership to ensure everyone is comfortable with how this event is being pitched. • A date to be arranged for one evening in the new year. • A template to be circulated that was used for other mini inquiries. <p>The Chair thanked A Sutton for the update.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Learning Overview</p> <p>J Worthington provided the Locality Partnership with a presentation on the work of Argyle College. The presentation highlighted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Student and staffing levels • Launch of the new student and staff welfare space. Students and staff have free access to hot drinks, water, milk, soup, porridge, biscuits as well as crockery, cutlery, and appliances. This is free to use and students/staff. • Free for all January start courses. The college are waiving student fees for full time and part time Further Education courses – that’s everything up to SCQF level 6 and excluding leisure and commercial courses. <p>The Chair thanked J Worthington for the update.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>Arran Islands Plan</p> <p>The Chair provided the Locality Partnership with an update on the work of the Island Plan Group. The Chair advised that since the last Locality Partnership meeting the group has:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Set up a short life working group to look at the current the Action Plan and Terms of Reference for the Steering Group. • Had one meeting of the short-term working group and work has been set out. • Looking at reviewing the information about the current action plan and having an initial thought around what that means going forward. Further discussion will take place at the next meeting in December. • Looking at setting up public engagement sessions in the new year. • S Baird is supporting the work and there will be a report going to Scottish Government on the work of Island Plan so far, this will inform part of the annual review that is carried out by Scottish Government. <p>The Chair also highlighted that the meeting of the short life working group was very positive and well attended.</p>	<p>Noted</p>

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11.	<p>AOCB</p> <p>Community Planning Inquiry</p> <p>J McGee advised the Locality Partnership the Scottish Government are currently carrying out a consultation and want to hear from organisations directly involved in Community Planning Partnerships as well as communities and individuals about the impact the Partnerships response to significant events such as the Covid-19 pandemic and the current cost-of-living crisis.</p> <p>Community and Community Planning Conference</p> <p>J McGee advised the Locality Partnership that the next Community and Community Planning Conference would be held on Saturday 28 January 2023 in Saltcoats Town Hall.</p> <p>What's on Guide for Older People on Arran</p> <p>V Yuill highlighted that this guide was pulled together by Arran CVS. Printed copies are available, and an online version will be available on the Arran CVS website in due course.</p> <p>The Chair thanked everyone for their attendance and highlighted the new direction of travel for Locality Partnerships, by making them very specific to the Localities and to look at locality-based issues and outcomes. The Chair also highlighted that he would welcome any comments by email around the format of the Locality Partnership meetings.</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Noted</p>
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The meeting ended at 7:05 pm