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Meeting:	Kilwinning Locality Partnership
Date/Venue:	19 June 2023 at 7.00 p.m. – Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams
Present:	Councillor Scott Davidson (Chair) Councillor Joe Cullinane Derek Frew, Senior Lead Officer Rhonda Leith, Lead Officer (NAC) Peter Marshall, Community Representative Alison Stell, Community Representative Kimberley O'Neill, Community Learning Development Worker (Kilwinning) Fiona Porter, Bereavements & Burials Officer (NAC) Lynn Robertson, Head Teacher, Whitehirst Park Primary School Laura Neill, Senior Manager, Employability (NAC) Shona McAllister, Programme Manager, Regeneration (NAC) Diane McCaw, Committee Services Officer (NAC)
Also Present:	Allan Farmer, Corra Foundation
Apologies:	Councillor Donald Reid Aaran McDonald, Community Representative Craig McFie, Scottish Fire & Rescue Colin Hedley, Community Representative Tim Swan, Head Teacher, Kilwinning Academy

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No.	Action	Responsible
1.	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest The Chair welcomed those present, and it was noted there were no apologies and no declarations of interest.	
2.	Action Note The action note from the meeting held on 13 March 2023 was approved.	
2.1	Matters Arising All matters arising had been covered or noted.	
3.	Community Investment Fund – Full Application An application has been made to the Community Investment Fund from the Corra Foundation in the amount of £36,000 over a three-year period (£12,000 per annum) to contribute towards the continued delivery of the Getting Alongside Communities programme in Blacklands between 2023 and 2026. Allan Farmer, Corra Foundation, addressed the meeting to give some background with regard to the application including an overview of the	

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	<p>project to support partnership working for the next 3 years with a particular focus on mental health and wellbeing and working towards increasing sustainability of community led activities in the Blacklands area.</p> <p>Allan Farmer left the meeting at this point.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the supportive work undertaken by Corra within the community; and the hope of a wider community led group emerging in 2-3 years in the local area with the support from Corra. <p>The Partnership agreed that the proposal of £36,000 over a three-year period (£12,000 per annum) proceed to the North Ayrshire Council Cabinet for approval on 29 August 2023.</p>	<p>Rhonda Leith/ Kimberley O'Neill</p>
4.	<p>Grants: Elderly Grants</p> <p>The Partnership agreed to approve the Elderly Grants budget for the Kilwinning Locality in the sum of £6,463, as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report.</p>	<p>Rhonda Leith</p>
5.	<p>Street Naming Report</p> <p>The Partnership received a report by the Council's Planning Service on the naming of a street for a residential development at West Byrehill, Kilwinning.</p> <p>The Partnership agreed to name the streets within the development Heather, Primrose, Holly and Fern to ensure a consistent theme for the whole development.</p>	<p>Kirsty Gee / Lisa Dempster</p>
6.	<p>Kilwinning Cemetery Naming Report</p> <p>The Partnership received a report by the Council's Bereavement and Burials Officer on the naming of a new cemetery in Kilwinning.</p> <p>The Partnership agreed to name the new area Redston Cemetery.</p>	<p>Fiona Porter</p>
7.	<p>Employability</p> <p>The Locality Partnership received a verbal update on employability from Laura Neill, Senior Manager, Employability and Skills, including information on the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> the recent rebrand of the service; 'Your Next Move' providing support to those wanting to get on the career ladder or take the next steps; the delivery of an Equal programme to support people with disabilities to prepare and move into employment; a large modern apprenticeship programme; 	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • work with anchor organisations including NHS, SFRS and Ayrshire College; • support for 16-19 year olds into training, further education or employment; • the criminal justice mentor programme; • work with TACT to provide positive steps into volunteering; • work with Barnardos to consider engagement with young people. • Employability week offering online and community events showcasing services available through the Council and various partners; and • revenue projects funded through the Ayrshire Growth Deal. <p>The Partnership asked a question and were provided with information on the importance of soft skills e.g. communication, teamworking, required by local employers.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>8.</p>	<p>Communities and Place Fund</p> <p>The Partnership received a presentation from Shona McAllister, Programme Manager Regeneration on the Communities and Place grant funding which has been created to help communities deliver projects which support local priorities and local business needs.</p> <p>The presentation included information on the four themes within the fund namely, People and Skills, Local Business, Multiply and Communities & Place, the application process, including timescales and scoring, and the decision-making process.</p> <p>Fiona Porter left the meeting at this point.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the former Council Housing Office and surrounding buildings in Howgate, Kilwinning requiring development/refurbishment and whether this would be a suitable project for this type of application, • that applications to the Fund would be received from constituted groups; • whether the Locality Partnership itself could make an application to the Fund as a constituted group with Shona McAllister agreeing to check whether this was possible and advise the Partnership; • that any monies allocated would require to be spent within the current financial year as the Scottish Government have indicated no carry forward; • that there would be strong third sector representation on the assessment panel; and • that the Kilwinning engagement event would take place on Tuesday 27 June 2023 from 4.30-6.30pm in the Kilwinning Library. 	<p>Shona McAllister</p>

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	<p>The Partnership thanked Shona for her presentation and agreed that the presentation slides be circulated to the Partnership.</p> <p>Shona McAllister left the meeting at this point.</p>	<p>Lesley Dunlop</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Youth and Education Overview</p> <p>Lynn Robertson, Head Teacher, Whitehirst Park Primary School provided a verbal update on primary cluster school activity including:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • self-evaluation work taking place to inform improvements for the next school session; • the extensive transition programme which is in place; • work with Kilwinning Sports Club for sports day activities; • evaluation work carried out by the schools cluster, together with consensus on common themes and strands of work; and • the year long project to support teachers with their professional learning and wellbeing. <p>Noted.</p>	
<p>10.</p>	<p>Police Scotland – Wellbeing and Partnerships</p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Police Scotland on the key impact of wellbeing and partnership work being carried out by Police Scotland in Kilwinning.</p> <p>The update highlighted areas including the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the Pitching In programme run by the Campus Officer in Kilwinning Academy to develop social skills and resilience in S3 pupils; • trips to Dumfries House for S1 and S2 pupils over a 4 week period; • the work of the locality policing team who maintain the bottle marking scheme working with off licences and North Ayrshire Licensing Standards Officer; • partnership work with North Ayrshire Housing to tackle anti-social behaviour; • Council supported funding for the provision of off-road quad bikes; • links with Choose Kilwinning and Eglinton Growers; • engagement with the Syrian refugee resettlement team; and • ongoing community wellbeing work and links with Kilwinning Sports Club’s mental health programme. <p>The Partnership discussed:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • training provided for new recruits regarding mental health issues; • partnership work with KA Leisure and other Ayrshire groups to highlight those who are vulnerable and provide more supported engagement through Community Wellbeing Officers; and • areas for deployment of the new quad bikes when in service. <p>Noted.</p>	

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11.	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service – Wellbeing and Partnerships The Partnership agreed to continue consideration of this item to the September meeting.	Lesley Dunlop
12.	Locality Officer Update The Partnership received a written report and verbal update by the Locality Co-ordinator, who highlighted the following:- <ul style="list-style-type: none">• the progress report covered the period March to May 2023;• non attendance at the chit chat 4 weeks ago with a new date set for 7 September 2023;• the successful completion of High Five Awards by 14 young people;• the commencement on Monday 26 June 2023 of the Discovery Award accredited learning for over 50s to tackle social isolation;• youth provision in Kilwinning and engagement with young people; and• interventions for those at risk of disengaging with school. Noted.	
13.	Reports for Information Roads, Structures and Streetlighting The Partnership received a report from the Senior Manager (Roads Network), Neighbourhood Services outlining the proposed Roads, Structures and Street Lighting Maintenance Programme for 2023/24 Noted. North Ayrshire Youth Work Update The Partnership received report on the youth work across the area which linked into the North Ayrshire Locality priorities. Noted.	

Meeting ended at 8.45 p.m.