

Action Note

Meeting:	North Coast Locality Partnership
Date/Venue:	5 September 2023 – Virtual Meeting via Microsoft Teams
Present/ In Attendance:	Councillor Alan Hill (Chair); Councillor Eleanor Collier Councillor Todd Ferguson; Councillor Tom Marshall; John Lamb, West Kilbride Community Council (Vice-Chair) Frank Alexander, Community Representative (Co-opted); Lizzy Barbour, Community Representative (Co-opted); Carol Campbell, Community Representative (Co-opted); Nick Hobson, Community Representative (Co-opted); Russell McCutcheon, Senior Lead Officer, NAC; Rhonda Leith, Lead Officer, NAC; Deirdre Oakley, Project Officer, NAC Julie McAleese, HT Cumbrae Primary School, NAC Stuart Dougan, Police Scotland; Shannon Wilson, Committee Services Officer, NAC
Also in Attendance:	Kay Hall, West Kilbride Community Sports Club Pamela Miller, NHS Ryan Scott, Euro-Sporting Susan Kelly
Apologies:	Louise Riddex, Locality Officer, NAC; and Councillor Ian Murdoch

ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>The Chair extended a welcome to those present and invited introductions. Apologies for absence were then recorded.</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
2.	<p>Action Note</p> <p>The action note from the meeting held on 6 June 2023 was approved as a correct record and the implementation of decisions confirmed.</p>	

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<p>3.</p>	<p>Grants – Community Benefit Fund</p> <p>The Partnership noted that the 2023/24 Elderly Grants Fund had a balance of £13,766 and agreed to award the following: -</p> <p>The Cumbrae Forum - £949 Age Concern Largs - £7,339 Fairlie Old Folks Welfare Committee/Semple Centre - £1,366 Skelmorlie Senior Citizens - £1,488 Community Roots (Working in partnership with Age Well West Kilbride) - £2,623</p>	<p><i>Rhonda Leith</i></p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>Street Naming Report</p> <p>The Partnership received a written report to consider naming one street within the residential development south of Meadowfoot Road, West Kilbride. The Partnership considered the suggestion of Braidlaw Rise and decided that this did not have a local or historical connection with the town and that this would go back to the next meeting of West Kilbride Community Council for further consideration.</p>	
<p>5.</p>	<p>Summer Programme & Recent Community Day</p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Ryan Scott, Euro-Sporting on the success of the Summer Programme and recent Community Day. It was noted that alternative venues would be considered for future events to account for adverse weather conditions.</p>	
<p>6.</p>	<p>CIF Update – West Kilbride Sports Club</p> <p>Kay Hall from West Kilbride Sports Club gave a verbal update and presentation to the Partnership on how the funding they received was utilised.</p>	
<p>7.</p>	<p>Locality Chit Chat Update</p> <p>The Partnership received a written and verbal update on the progress and highlights in respect of the North Coast Chit Chat Action Plan. Deirdre Oakley provided an update on the outstanding actions and how these fit in to the North Coast Locality Priorities of: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Improving Access to Financial Services • Increasing Social Inclusion • Improving Mental Wellbeing • Supporting Skills and Work Opportunities <p>The North Coast & Cumbrae Locality Project Officer Progress Report for period June – August 2023 was enclosed.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed how to improve attendance at the Chit Chat sessions including alternative venues and promotion through media channels such as Group Call notification to parents from the local schools.</p>	

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<p>8.</p>	<p>Helter Skelter Funding Consultation</p> <p>The Partnership received an update on the Helter Skelter Funding Consultation that went live prior to the summer holidays. There were 54 responses received at this time. Discussions took place with schools to encourage pupils to complete a response. A range of suggestions were received with 20% of pupils who responded advising they would like to assist in organising events/activities for young people.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed the fantastic facilities at Douglas Park (Largs) including the basketball court and football pitch and requested that a similar project is undertaken at the playpark in Alexander Avenue, Largs. Russell agreed to ask his officers to prepare a high-level proposal and indicative costs to update the Partnership at the next meeting.</p>	<p>Russell McCutcheon</p>
<p>9.</p>	<p>Youth and Education Overview</p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Julie McAleese, HT at Cumbrae Primary School, on school activity including:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Largs and St Mary’s Primary Schools participation in the Viking Festival; • Largs Academy prize giving ceremony took place; • Primary 6 and 7 classes at Cumbrae Primary School won a trip on The Waverly; • Schools were offered a 10-week football training course • Adjustments were made to the school day at Largs Campus to allow pupils to better access public transport to and from school; and • Skelmorlie Primary School were awarded the Eco-Schools Green Flag. <p>The Partnership discussed and raised questions in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ongoing discussions with Stagecoach to ensure a larger bus was used at the end of the school day to accommodate the pupils travelling home; • aerated concrete within the PE block at Ardrossan Academy and how the school was managing this to ensure pupil safety; and • how the Locality Partnership could work alongside schools to assist, such as promoting available Funds and how these could be used. 	
<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 the North Coast, highlighting the slight increase in</p>	

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	<p>referrals to the Community Wellbeing Unit and ongoing work with Partners to establish care.</p> <p>Inspector Dougan noted, fraud and scam prevention workshops were ongoing and encouraged the Partnership to promote this locally to ensure the information reached as many people as possible.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed and raised questions in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the number of incidents within the North Coast in the last quarter and whether the increase was due to warmer weather bringing visitors to the area; and • whether it would be possible for a Police Scotland representative to attend future West Kilbride Community Council meetings. 	
11.	<p>Scottish Fire and Rescue – Wellbeing and Partnership</p> <p>This item not discussed as there was no representative from Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in attendance.</p>	
12.	<p>Locality Priorities Officer Update</p> <p>The Partnership received a written and verbal update from the Locality Officer highlighting support provided to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • local groups in the North Coast in taking action on the outcomes of mini-enquiry, Chit Chat and PLACE Framework; • West Kilbride Yuletide; • the Holiday Meals Programme; • Cumbrae Fun Day; and • Cycling Without Age Scotland 	
13.	<p>AOCB</p> <p><u>Carbon Neutral Project</u></p> <p>The Partnership sought an update on the Carbon Neutral project on Cumbrae. Russell confirmed he would arrange for officers to provide a progress report to the next meeting.</p> <p><u>Street Lighting Issues – Largs</u></p> <p>The Partnership queried whether the issue with street lighting from Brooksby to Main Street, is an NAC or NHS issue? It was considered an NHS area of responsibility and Cllr Ferguson confirmed he had spoken to NHS estates last week who said they'd look into it but has had no response. Russell suggested he could try to make contact through the Council's Estates team, however Pamela Miller confirmed she would take an action to chase up a response from the NHS Estate team and provide an update at the next meeting.</p>	<p><i>Russell McCutcheon</i></p> <p><i>Pamela Miller</i></p>

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14.	Future Meetings The Partnership was invited to note that the next meeting would take place on Tuesday 5 December 2023 at 6pm in Clark Memorial Hall, Bath Street, Largs, KA30 8BL	<i>Jennifer McGee</i>
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Meeting ended at 7.15p.m.