

# Action Note

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>Garnock Valley Locality Partnership</b>
<b>Date/Venue:</b>	20 September 2023 – Conference Room, Garnock Campus, Glengarnock
<b>Present:</b>	Councillor John Bell (Chair); Councillor Margaret Johnson; Councillor Ronnie Stalker; Elaine Young, NHS Ayrshire and Arran (Senior Lead Officer); Angela Morrell, Senior Manager, Community Learning & Development, NAC (Lead Officer); James Waite, Beith & District Community Council; Catherine Wigzell, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council; Allan Wright, Kilbirnie & Glengarnock Community Council; Jane Lamont, Community Representative; Christina Pieraccini, Locality Officer, NAC; Inspector David Cameron, Police Scotland; Neil Shearer, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Garry Tait, Community Education Worker, NAC; Louise Kirk, Interim Head of Service (Economic Development and Regeneration); Dennis Hopkins, Head Teacher, St. Bridget's PS Elaine Mann, Head Teacher, Moorpark PS Scott Morrison, Community Sport Manager, KA Leisure; and Craig Stewart, Committee Services Officer, NAC
<b>Also Attending:</b>	James Robson, Beith Community Association (Agenda Item 3 only) Ann Russell, Café Solace Chairperson
<b>Apologies:</b>	Councillors Anthea Dickson and Donald L. Reid, David Park and Brenda Reilly, Community Representatives.

## ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	<b>Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest</b>  The Chair welcomed everyone to the Garnock Valley Locality Partnership meeting and apologies for absence were noted.	
2.	<b>Action Note and Log</b>  The action note from the meeting held on 15 June 2023 was approved as a correct record and the implementation of decisions confirmed.	
3.	<b>Café Solace</b>  The Locality Partnership received an update from Ann Russell on the significant level of work undertaken since receiving the CIF grant which had made a considerable difference and had been instrumental in making the project go from strength to strength and was very well used by the community, particularly given pressures due to the cost-of-living crisis.	

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	Noted.									
4.	<p><b>Grants – Elderly Grants and Margaret Archibald Bequest Fund</b></p> <p>The Locality Partnership considered reports for Elderly Grants and for the Margaret Archibald Bequest Fund. Accordingly, the Locality Partnership agreed to award the following:</p> <p><b>Elderly Grants Fund 2023/24</b></p> <table> <tr> <td><b>Kilbirnie &amp; Glengarnock Age Concern</b></td> <td><b>£2,964</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Beith Old People’s Welfare Committee</b></td> <td><b>£3,053</b></td> </tr> <tr> <td><b>Dalry Old Folks Treat Committee</b></td> <td><b>£2,414</b></td> </tr> </table> <p><b>Margaret Archibald Bequest</b></p> <table> <tr> <td><b>Dalry Old Folks Treat Committee</b></td> <td><b>£5,000</b></td> </tr> </table>	<b>Kilbirnie &amp; Glengarnock Age Concern</b>	<b>£2,964</b>	<b>Beith Old People’s Welfare Committee</b>	<b>£3,053</b>	<b>Dalry Old Folks Treat Committee</b>	<b>£2,414</b>	<b>Dalry Old Folks Treat Committee</b>	<b>£5,000</b>	<b>Angela Morrell</b>
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5.	<p><b>Community Investment Fund – Expression of Interest</b></p> <p>There was a short presentation by Morag Strachan and James Robson, representing Beith Community Association (BCA), in respect of an Expression of Interest Application in terms of the Community Investment Fund.</p> <p>Following their presentation and a question and answer session, the Locality Partnership agreed (a) that the Application be continued to enable the applicant’s to come forward with further information, i.e. evidence no of volunteers; and (b) that the Application could then be taken forward for consideration taking into account all the information and evidence available.</p> <p>Councillor Bell, Chair, thanked Ms Strachan and Mr Robson for their attendance and for the presentation, and both then left the meeting.</p>									
6.	<p><b>Garnock Valley 2023</b></p> <p>The Locality Partnership received an update from Christina Pieraccini, Locality Officer, of the Garnock Valley 2023 Project.</p> <p>The update provided highlighted key aspects of the Garnock Valley 2023 Project.</p> <p>Noted.</p>									
7.	<p><b>Education &amp; Youth Overview</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an overview on this from Elaine Mann, Head Teacher, Moorpark PS and Dennis Hopkins, Head Teacher, St. Bridget’s PS.</p>									

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	<p>The overview covered all previous, current, and future planned activities in the School Environment and engagement with young people in terms of bringing about positive outcomes and personal development opportunities.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>8.</b>	<p><b>Scottish Fire and Rescue/Police Scotland – Wellbeing and Partnerships</b></p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Scottish Fire and Rescue (SFRS) and Police Scotland on the key impact of wellbeing and partnership work being conducted by SFRS and Police Scotland in the Garnock Valley.</p> <p>The updates from SFRS and Police Scotland highlighted areas covered all ongoing engagement and participation opportunities, in the Garnock Valley and the positive impact and differences this was continuing to make in the locality in terms of Wellbeing and Partnerships. The SFRS update also provided an overview of the youth volunteer opportunities including the continuing success of this initiative.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>9.</b>	<p><b>Community Learning &amp; Development &amp; HMIE Inspection</b></p> <p>The Locality Partnership received an update regarding Community Learning &amp; Development and the current HMIE Inspection.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>10.</b>	<p><b>Locality Plan Progress</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update by Christina Pieraccini, Locality Officer, and from community representatives present, on the progress of the combined working group which covered all 3 locality priorities, namely Moving Around, Facilities &amp; Amenities and Work and the Local Community.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>11.</b>	<p><b>Locality Officer Update</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.</p> <p>Noted.</p>	
<b>12.</b>	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p>None.</p>	

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13.	<p><b>Reports for Information</b></p> <p>The following reports were submitted for information and sharing, as appropriate:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• North Ayrshire Youth Work Update</li><li>• TACT update</li></ul> <p>Noted.</p>	

The meeting ended at 9.15 p.m.