

# Action Note

<b>Meeting:</b>	<b>North Coast Locality Partnership</b>
<b>Date/Venue:</b>	5 December 2023 via Microsoft Teams
<b>Present/ In Attendance:</b>	<p>Councillor Alan Hill (Chair)  Councillor Eleanor Collier  Councillor Todd Ferguson  Councillor Tom Marshall  John Lamb, West Kilbride Community Council (Vice-Chair)  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  Louise Riddex, Locality Officer, NAC  Stuart Dougan, Police Scotland  Alex Harvie, Cumbrae Community Council  Keith Hammond, Cumbrae Community Council  Rita Holmes, Fairlie Community Council  Michael Thomson, General Manager, Vikingar  Alicia Train, Head of Centre, Largs Early Years Centre, NAC  Carolyn McGinn, HT, Fairlie Primary School, NAC  Pamela Miller, NHS  Barbara Conner, TACT  Lesley Dunlop, Community &amp; Locality Planning Assistant, NAC</p>
<b>Also in Attendance:</b>	<p>Sarah Baird, Senior Officer, NAC  Scott Watson, Carbon Neutral Cumbrae</p>
<b>Apologies:</b>	<p>Councillor Ian Murdoch  Lizzy Barbour, Community Representative (Co-opted)  Gemma Carson, HT, West Kilbride Primary  Fiona Comrie, KA Leisure  Barrie McCutcheon, SFRS</p>

## ACTIONS

No.	Action	Responsible
1.	<p><b>Welcome and Apologies</b></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><b>Action Note</b></p> <p>The action note from the meeting held on 5 September 2023 was approved as a correct record and the implementation of decisions confirmed.</p> <p>The Senior Lead Officer provided a brief update and highlighted the following:-</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Item 4 – Street Naming - street name was agreed as Fleming Way at West Kilbride Community Council.</li> <li>Item 8 - Helter Skelter Funding Consultation – Cost of MUGA around £140K ex VAT, there will also be groundworks, signage costs. R McCutcheon happy to discuss funding proposals and provide further information.</li> <li>AOCB – P Miller contacted NHS Estates on 6 September to request lights be fixed.</li> </ul> <p>Noted.</p>	
3.	<p><b>Grants – Community Benefit Fund</b></p> <p>The Partnership noted that the Largs Common Good Fund had a balance of <b>£4,000</b> and agreed to award the following: -</p> <p>Archaeology Scotland – Adopt a Monument <b>£2,234.26</b></p> <p>The Partnership noted that the Largs Town Charitable Trust had a balance of <b>£3,328</b> and agreed to award the following: -</p> <p>Dementia Friendly Largs &amp; District - <b>£1,000</b></p>	<i>Rhonda Leith</i>
4.	<p><b>Locality Action Plan</b></p> <p>The Partnership were asked to consider the Draft North Coast and Cumbraes Locality Action Plan for 2023/24.</p> <p>The Partnership highlighted that a number of actions within the action plan related to Largs. R Leith advised the Partnership that the action plan would be reviewed in spring/summer 2024.</p> <p>The Partnership approved the Locality Action Plan.</p>	
5.	<p><b>Carbon Neutral Cumbrae</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update on the Carbon Neutral Islands Project on Cumbrae from Sarah Baird, Senior Officer (Islands) and Scott Watson, Community Development Officer, Carbon Neutral Cumbrae.</p> <p>The Partnership discussed and raised questions in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>How important it is for this to be linked in with local priorities;</li> <li>How will locally generated energy be generated;</li> <li>How older buildings in housing stock can become more carbon neutral; and</li> <li>How the ideas for the islands can also be utilised on the mainland.</li> </ul> <p>S Watson highlighted that information is available on the Carbon Neutral Cumbrae and Carbon Neutral Islands websites.</p>	

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	The Chair thanked S Baird and S Watson for their update.	
6.	<p><b>Youth and Education Overview</b></p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Carolyn McGinn, HT at Fairlie Primary School and Alicia Train, Head of Service, Largs Early Years Centre, on school activity including:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A rota has been set up for attendance at Locality Partnership meetings;</li> <li>• Christmas is well under way with parties, pantomimes and other activities;</li> <li>• Schools are working closely with parent councils who actively fundraise to support with costs of these events;</li> <li>• Largs Early Years Centre has an Enterprise Craft Group made up of parents who support with costs of events;</li> <li>• Largs Early Years Centre will be hosting a performance by the children including singing and dancing;</li> <li>• Fairlie Primary children were invited to take part in the Fairlie Community Association lighting the village tree event;</li> <li>• Winter Warmer breakfasts are taking place in all secondary schools;</li> <li>• Largs Primary School is running a reverse advent calendar to raise funds for the food bank;</li> <li>• Transition events have begun;</li> <li>• Fairlie Garden Growers support the Early Years Centre and bring food from the allotment for families;</li> <li>• Knitting Natters have knitted scarves and hats for the children for outdoor play;</li> <li>• Collaborative events for all ages are taking place including karate lessons, dance classes; and</li> <li>• Head teachers attended an event round the impact of attendance.</li> </ul> <p>Councillor Ferguson enquired whether the West Kilbride young people are able to attend the Winter Warmer breakfast due to the change in timetable. The Chair will check and get back to Councillor Ferguson.</p> <p>The Chair thanked C McGinn and A Train for their updates.</p>	<i>Cllr Hill</i>
7.	<p><b>Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue - Wellbeing and Partnerships</b></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.</p> <p>Inspector Dougan advised the Partnership of the following:-</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operation Moonbeam – no significant events occurred in the North Coast;</li> <li>• 16 Days of Action – working with Largs Academy around respect;</li> <li>• Vape inputs – insights around Largs regarding littering of disposable vapes and public health aspects. Working closely with Trading Standards regarding the sale of fake vapes;</li> <li>• Community Wellbeing unit has welfare boxes and hygiene kits available for those in crisis.</li> <li>• Prevention of Financial Harm – working with Dementia Friendly Group; and</li> <li>• Festive Road Safety Campaign is underway.</li> </ul> <p>The Partnership discussed and raised questions in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Enforcement of 40mph limit on the A78 Largs to Skelmorlie road. This has been carried out by unmarked vehicles and helps to influence driver behaviour for a period of time.</li> <li>• Speeding on Haylie Brae. A number of businesses on this road are working alongside Police Scotland in relation to this issue.</li> <li>• Use of Artificial Intelligence to defraud. This is massive and Police Scotland have a cyber crime unit which is growing to help assist with the number of crimes.</li> </ul> <p>There representative from Scottish Fire and Rescue Service submitted apologies for the meeting.</p>	
8.	<p><b>KA Leisure</b></p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Michael Thomson, General Manager, Vikingar.</p> <p>M Thomson highlighted the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Active North Ayrshire referrals from people with long term conditions such as Parkinsons;</li> <li>• Mind and Be Active – to assist with mental health;</li> <li>• Aqua classes are very busy;</li> <li>• Funding received to run spin classes for people with Parkinsons starting January 2024;</li> <li>• Weekly Health Walks from Vikingar which also includes a shorter walk for those who are less mobile;</li> <li>• Activator Bus – offering free health checks. Available to local groups.</li> <li>• Laura Barrie will attend the next meeting to give an update on the work of the Wellbeing Alliance.</li> </ul> <p>The Chair thanked M Thomson for his update.</p>	
9.	<p><b>Locality Priorities Officer Update</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from the Locality Priorities Officer highlighting support provided to:-</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second round of Chit Chats;</li> <li>• Simson/Crauford Avenue swingpark;</li> <li>• Supporting Skelmorlie Tennis Club with CIF application;</li> <li>• Mobile banking not possible in Skelmorlie due to branch in Largs;</li> <li>• West Kilbride Yuletide;</li> <li>• Community Open Day West Kilbride Library 19 January; and</li> <li>• Largs Community Larder.</li> </ul> <p>The Partnership discussed and raised questions in relation to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider opportunities for CIF Funding as just under £550k available;</li> <li>• Simson/Crauford Avenue issue with land re Housing Revenue Account. Project can't move forward until resolved. R Leith is happy to follow up and report back. It would be helpful if a meeting could be arranged.</li> </ul> <p>The Chair thanked D Oakley for her update.</p>	<b>R Leith</b>
10.	<p><b>Locality Officer Update</b></p> <p>The Partnership received an update from the Locality Officer highlighting support provided to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supported volunteers on Cumbrae to start a new youth group which has been very successful so far;</li> <li>• A new adult capacity group has started in Largs which is to upskill adults for employment or volunteering; and</li> <li>• West Kilbride Yuletide was very successful.</li> </ul> <p>The Chair thanked L Riddex for her update.</p>	
11.	<p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p><b><u>West Kilbride Community Initiative Limited – 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary December 2023</u></b></p> <p>The Partnership congratulated the WKCIL and will endeavour to support if an event is taking place. The Chair suggested that a chat be held outwith the meeting to see if anything can be done.</p> <p><b><u>TACT</u></b></p> <p>The Partnership received a verbal update from Barbara Conner highlighting support provided to:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Banking issue regarding mobile banking;</li> <li>• Two Winter Warmer events taking place 13 and 20 December; and</li> <li>• 12 employability projects funded via No One Left Behind providing pre employability skills.</li> </ul>	<b>Cllr Hill</b>

