

Action Note

Meeting:	Three Towns Locality Partnership
Date/Venue:	3 September 2025; Ardrossan Civic Centre at 6:00pm
Present:	Councillor Cameron Inglis Councillor Anthony Gurney Councillor Davina McTiernan Councillor John Sweeney Pat Breen, Community Representative Scott Mould, Community Representative Julia Gray, Community Representative (Vice Chair) Angela Morrell, Lead Officer, NAC Leanne McPhail, Active Schools Jacqui Greenlees, Senior Manager, NAC PS Mark Semple Susan Manson, TACT
Also in Attendance	Sharon Fleming, NAC Michelle Sutherland, HSCP Kimberly O'Neil, NAC
Apologies:	Susan Kelly, KA Leisure Councillor Jim Montgomerie Craig Mochan, Community Representative David Murray, Station Manager (Scottish Fire & Rescue Service) Ian Winton, Stevenston Community Council Chair Councillor Amanda Kerr (Chair) Councillor Stewart Ferguson Councillor Jean McClung Denise Fraser, Locality Officer Jean Frew, Community Representative Glenn Turner, Community Representative

ACTIONS		
No.	Action	Responsible
1.	Welcome, Apologies and Declarations of Interest As the Chair and Vice Chair have both given their apologies it was agreed that Cllr Gurney would Chair this meeting. The Chair welcomed those present to the Three Towns Locality Partnership meeting, introductions were made and apologies for absence were noted. <u>Declarations of Interest</u> - Cllr Sweeney declared an interest in the CLASP application - J Gray declared an interest in Whitlees Community Centre	Noted Noted

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	Cllr Inglis declared an interest in Saltcoats Vics	
2.	Action Note from meeting in June 2025 The action note from the meeting held on 4 June 2025 was submitted for approval as a correct record with the following updates provided: - Item 3- Community Investment Fund- No Update was available in July but an update will be made at this meeting. - Item 10- Welcoming Michelle Sutherland to speak on CHES and discuss with the Partnership at this meeting. Matters Arising - Saltcoats Vics were awarded CIF on the basis that match funding was secured. The Locality team can confirm that £8,000 of the required £20,000 has been procured. - Ardrossan Bowling Club were also required to secure match funding. So far, they have secured £6,400 of the £10,000 match funding required. They have a Community Benefit Fund application at this meeting to secure the rest if possible. - Hayocks have now completed their business plan and have applied for UKSPF and Community Landfill Fund. An update on this can be provided at the next meeting. - These updates will be circulated by A Morrell. Noted.	A Morrell
3.	Collaboration for Health Equity (CHES) The Locality Partnership received a presentation on the CHES Programme by M Sutherland: - An overview of CHES was provided to the Partnership. The work is jointly between several community planning partners including Council, Public Health and NHS. - Looking at reducing inequality and closing health equity gap. - One of three 'Marmot Places' - Two questions- What has the most impact in closing health inequality gap and what actions can we take? - North Ayrshire selected due to having lowest female healthy life expectancy in Scotland, with healthy life expectancy for men also now also the worst in Scotland. A large part of the population is economically inactive, high levels of child poverty and high levels of drug deaths. - M Sutherland provided an overview of available related statistics and evidence. - Have carried out analysis of the challenges in North Ayrshire. A report will be circulated on this alongside the slides from the meeting. - Looking at areas of poorest health outcomes in North Ayrshire- Three Towns, Irvine and Garnock Valley localities.	

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	• Provided overview of 8 Marmot principles mapped to areas of highest health inequalities. Next stage is developing tests of change across these areas and start to deliver interventions. Discussion • Questions posed: How can we best engage the LPP and other networks in Three Towns, what opportunities are there to progress engagement, and how can we best feedback on engagement? • The Partnership expressed surprise at the exceptionally low healthy life expectancy of women in North Ayrshire. • Highlighted the work taking place across North Ayrshire around reducing social isolation. The Partnership feel this is a key issue and highlighted reaching socially isolated people as an important aspect. • HSCP could work closer, more jointly with other departments across the council especially around digital access. Classes are available across North Ayrshire for support and access on this. • Highlighted generational low economic activity and the effects on North Ayrshire communities. • Appreciate the targeted nature of the CHES programme. • Highlighted the lack of skilled employment in North Ayrshire as another issue of focus. A legacy in North Ayrshire of losing these industries that are then not replaced. • Highlighted work by Whitlees during Covid to build links and encourage community out into the centre from the house. Catching the children early is key also, for example increasing breakfast club and clubs that start early enough, school breakfast club does not start till 8am. The young people then feel a sense of ownership over the centre and can gain skills and experience through helping and volunteering. Local community organisations are vital in this process. • Efficient communication would help with lower resources, for example with health and care waiting times. Building links between CLD and Community Link Workers are key here. Increased partnership working. • From a Police perspective, mental health cases are increasingly visible to Police in Three Towns as they cannot access the support they need and call 999. This then diverts police away from being able to focus on criminal behaviour. • Highlighted review of locality networks that sit around the Locality Partnership- local partners and council services sit on the networks and this is where the key partnership working and link could be taking place. • M Sutherland is currently pulling together an FAQ document. • Next steps will be to pull together ideas for change and test these with the Partnership and continue a dialogue over the next 16-18 months.	
4.	Grants The Locality Partnership are asked to consider grant applications: Ardrossan Common Good Fund	

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	Balance of £30,347 - Whitlees Community Centre - The Partnership agreed to fund this application. Three Towns Community Benefit Fund Balance of £66,817 - Saltcoats Carnival Funding £4,000 requested - The Partnership agreed to fund this application. - Dad's Rock £1,237.56 requested - The Partnership agreed to fund this application. - Ardrossan Outdoor Bowling Club £3,600 requested - The Partnership agreed to fund this application. - Saltcoats Victorica FC £4,200 requested - The Partnership agreed to fund this application. - Ardeer Community Association £1,850 requested - Community centres across Three Towns meet regularly and have plans to work together moving forward on joint festive events. - On this basis the Partnership agreed to fund this application in this instance. Elderly Grants - CLASPS- £3,697 requested - The Partnership agreed to fund this application. - Three Towns OIR- £4,910 requested - Several groups sit under the OIR umbrella of 375 members. - Clarification requested by the Partnership to how the funds would be distributed across members. - ACTION- The decision will then be made through delegated powers.	S Fleming A Morrell
5.	Locality Update The Locality Partnership received an update on the work of the Three Towns Locality Team during the last quarter: - A detailed locality report has been circulated. - Kimberly O'Neil highlighted some key activities from the report for the Partnership. Noted.	
	Partner Updates	

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	Police updated including: • Team continues to work with trading standards around vapes. • Work ongoing with ADP. • Meeting with Locality Officers to reevaluate approach with community, for example diversionary work around off-road bikes. Partnership also highlighted issues with e-scooters. • Campus Officers work within schools around several subjects' including online safety, hate crime and knife crime. Fire • No representative present. KA Leisure • No representative present. An update will be circulated by email. Active Schools updated including: • Meetings with key contacts in primary schools. • Secondary extracurricular clubs – 43 now up and running. • All clubs are free. • Recruiting for leadership programmes currently- North Ayrshire Sports Academy has 60 young people in Three Towns signed up. Young Ambassador Conference has 55 young people from Three Towns recruited. Active Girls Committee starting 4 September. • 5 across Three Towns in new Fitness Leadership programme with KA Leisure. • New Climb mindfulness programme took place 3 September at Castle Semple. • 60 young people attended Three Towns Summer Camp over summer.	
6.	AOCB • J Gray updated that community centres across Three Towns are working together on Three Towns events. A winter event will take place 30 November. • Ardeer café will be taken over by Whitlees and funding has been received for new kitchen equipment and will be a training kitchen. Ardeer will then take back over in 6 months to run themselves. This work will begin in January.	

The meeting ended at 20.15pm