Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership

Oban, Lorn and the Isles
Area Community Planning Group

9 November 2022



Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee which was held on 6th October 2022. The briefing is for noting and relevant discussion.

Summary

The CPP Management Committee met on the 6th October 2022 with the meeting being held virtually. This update provides an overview of the discussion which took place.

Reports which were discussed at the meeting can be found here <u>Browse</u> <u>meetings - Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership - Management</u> Committee - Argyll and Bute Council (argyll-bute.gov.uk)

HIGHLIGHTS

Matters Arising from Area Community Planning Groups

An update was provided on the discussions which had taken place at all 4 Area Community Planning Groups during the August 2022 cycle of meetings. The meetings had been well attended with a variety of interesting presentations given. Of particular interest was the excellent partnership work in Helensburgh on youth antisocial behaviour and the mental health and wellbeing website from Males Tales / Females Tales; the cross-community work on the Inveraray Community Action Plan; work integrating new Scots; the Shaping Places for Wellbeing work in Dunoon; and the work on Carer Support Plans with partners across the Oban area.

The Management Committee noted the current situation in regard to office bearer positions, noting that the position of Vice Chair on the Helensburgh and Lomond Group had been filled by Sarah Davies of Helensburgh Community Council. The Vice Chair of the Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Group had also been filled with Councillor John Armour taking on the role for a temporary period of 6 months. The Vice Chair position on the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Group remains vacant, with confidence high this would be filled at the next meeting.

local people in Mid Argyll. A place narrative was then developed to identify a shared story for change; explaining the context and setting out what makes a place distinct. Lochgilphead is a good place to live, and there has been visible investment to the area in the last year, however there is also a fragility to the area and this needs attention as to how demographic and economic changes can affect it.

David advised that work needs to be done to attract visitors to the town, and that there is also a need for housing stock, extension of childcare and nursery provision, youth activities and social activities. In terms of next steps, work is continuing on Phase 1 (ends November 2022) and this includes a Place Brief, Place Program, Developing Funding, Determining Governance and Assurance and planning detailed additional engagement.

Coll Engagement

Sarah Griffin introduced the work of the Coll Collaborative Working Group which aims to ensure person centred, sustainable, affordable and integrated access to care on Coll. A needs assessment was undertaken in July 2022 and will inform work as it goes forward.

The findings reported the main issues as being Situation and Transport (no public transport), Demographics, cost of living (high food and fuel costs), Housing (second home ownership, no supply), Health and Wellbeing (unpaid carers, good GP access but need to go off island for treatments) and Community (strong community and lifestyle on the island is important to residents). The results of the survey will be made public.

Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership Annual Report

Joe McKay provided an update of the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership Annual Report which covered the twelve month period from 1 April 2021. The partnership had agreed to work together on topics such as climate change, building back better (strengthening communities), community wealth building, digital, safety in communities and addressing financial impacts including child poverty.

Progress and achievements on these topics were outlined within the annual report, and included:

Monthly meetings for community organisations supporting people in need, to share experience and get support from other organisations in the area. Creation of a Climate Change Action webpage hosting information on actions to address climate change across communities and organisations in Argyll and Bute.

Funding and distribution of call blockers to prevent telephone fraud and scams.

Over 6,000 Worrying about Money leaflets distributed Funding to increase awareness of digital opportunities in communities.

Review of Argyll and Bute Outcomes Improvement Plan

Rona Gold delivered a presentation which detailed how Outcomes Improvement Plans are a requirement of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015. The previous 10 year plan ends in 2023 and work needs to progress on forming the plan for the next 10 years.

During July to September 2022 the CPP team met with multiple partners and other Community Planning Partnerships and reviewed all engagement in