# 2. DECLARATIONS

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to continue the report to the next meeting in May.

(Reference: Report by, Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 7 February 2024, submitted)

# 5. COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE UPDATE

The group gave consideration to a report which outlined matters discussed during a meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee held on 12 January 2024. The report provided a summary of a presentation in relation to the Council's Area Plans, as well as information on matters arising from previous Area Community Planning Group meetings across Argyll and Bute. The report also included updates on a number of cross cutting themes such as Climate Change; Financial Inclusion; Digital Communities; the Argyll and Bute Outcomes Improvement Plan (ABOIP) for 2024-34; and Community Wealth Building.

## **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the contents of the report.

(Reference: Report by Committee Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 31 January 2024, submitted)

# 6. AREA PLANS UPDATE

Consideration was given to a presentation by the Corporate Support Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, in relation to the Council's Area Plans. The presentation provided background information in relation to the Plans, as well as details of the 8 Locality Plans across Argyll and Bute, and the purpose and principles of the Plans. The presentation also included context about the scope of the Plans; the importance of community engagement and efficient use of resources in the development of the plans; the overall approach, governance and phasing of the Plan's development; and the ways in which information from the development of the Plans would be utilised.

The Corporate Support Manager noted that it was hoped that the Area Plans would maximise the opportunities for funding for local projects. It was anticipated that the Plans would be developed and owned by the communities, and the Area Community Planning Groups would have an important part to play in the development of the Plans. He emphasised that the Plans were not seeking to take ownership of projects away from local community groups.

The presentation provided details of how partners could assist with the Area Plans by identifying community groups in the area; identifying physical locations suitable for hosting consultation documents; and ebrG2.000008871 0 595.32 841.3(t)-3(t)8(h)-3(e)-3

## **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Presentation by Corporate Support Manager, Argyll and Bute Council, submitted)

### 7. INCLUDEM - YOUTH JUSTICE

The Committee Manager advised that David Gould, Associate Researcher, Includem, was not in a position to join the meeting.

#### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to continue the report to the next meeting in May.

(Reference: Leaflet by Includem, submitted)

## 8. DRAFT ARGYLL AND BUTE COMMUNITY JUSTICE PLAN 2023-2027

Consideration was given to a presentation which provided information in relation to the draft Argyll and Bute Community Justice Plan 2023-27. The report provided details in relation to the National Strategy for Community Justice; the core membership of the Community Justice Partnership; the overall strategic context of the Vision for Justice in Scotland and National Strategy for Community Justice; the development of the Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan (CJOIP); the Community Justice Pathways Assessment process; and the timescales for the consultation and publication of the plan.

The Community Justice Co-Ordinator particularly highlighted work being carried out to address the identified priorities, including collaboration with the Alcohol and Drug Partnership; the Justice Advocacy pilot with Lomond & Argyll Advocacy Service.

## **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Presentation by Community Justice Co-Ordinator, Argyll and Bute Council, submitted)

# 9. ARGYLL & BUTE HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP - PUBLIC HEALTH

## (a) **Argyll**

considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Police Scotland, submitted)

# (b) Scottish Fire & Rescue Update

The group gave consideration to a report which highlighted the performance and activity of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service within the Oban, Lorn and the Isles area during financial quarter 3 of 2023/24. The report included information on the local firefighter training plan; local incident statistics; unwanted fire alarm signals; road and water safety campaigns; community engagement activities; East and West Dunbartonshire Argyll and Bute Local Senior Officer activities and home fire safety.

#### Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, submitted)

# (c) Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau

Consideration was given to an update from Argyll and Bute Citizen's Advice Bureau which provided statistical information on the number of clients who had contacted the Bureau between January and December 2023; the Volunteer Advisor training programme; the annual programme of energy efficiency advice sessions and services that the Bureau provide; last year the Bureau in Argyll and Bute assisted 2000 clients which resulted in £1.5m financial gain to these clients.

Jen Broadhurst highlighted that the Bureau was in the process of updating their Development Plan for the next 3 years and would welcome input from elected members and community representative groups. The Development Plan will be presented to the Board in April for final agreement.

#### Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Argyll and Bute Citizens Advice Bureau, submitted)

## (d) Living Well Network Update

Consideration was given to an update which provided information on the

ongoing work of the Living Well Network across Mull, Iona, Coll and Tiree. Carol Flett also advised that 3 local charities had been successful in obtaining funding through the Third Sector Interface.

An event has been arranged for 14 May in Rockfield Centre, Oban. The morning session is for Living Well Network Members and the afternoon session is open to the public where they will be able to gather information from charities, organisations, people who provide support about the support that is available for them. A further day is arranged for 28<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at An Talla, Isle of Tiree. Mainland based organisations, charities etc. will be welcome to come to Tiree for the day to share information about the support they can provide to people on Tiree.

# Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Grouprovide support

Consideration was given to an update from Argyll and Bute Third Sector Interface (TSI), which provided an update on their recent work. The update included information in relation to funding grants from the Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund 2023-24; the commissioning of a Community Wealth Building strategy and action plan as part of the Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership; funding available from the Argyll and Bute Climate Action Network Fund, the deadline for the funding has been extended to 17 February 2024; future consultation and development of a TSI Strategy for 2024-29;; future consultation and development of a TSI Strategy for 2024-29; the launch of the new TSI website on 20th February; and work with the SCVO on a fairer funding campaign.

#### Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Argyll and Bute TSI, dated January, submitted)

# (g) UHI Argyll

Consideration was given to an update from UHI Argyll highlighting the list of courses which are available; UHI have also been commissioned to deliver the UK Government's Multiply Programme. The scheme offers free tutoring, digital training, and flexible courses to improve adults' numeracy skills; a successful open day was held on 11 January at all UHI Centres across Argyll with an additional day being planned for mid-March.

## Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles considered and noted the report.

(Reference: Report by UHI Argyll, submitted)

# (h) Live Argyll - Community Learning Update

The group gave consideration to a report from Live Argyll - Community Learning. The update provided information relating to adult literacy and numeracy provision; the HMI Community Learning and Development Progress Visit of Argyll and Bute Council and the newly elected Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament for Argyll and Bute. Partners were encouraged to look at the Community Learning Development Review Survey, which can be accessed by following this link –

https://consult.gov.scot/lifelong-learning-and-skills/community-learning-practitioners-stakeholders/

### Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Report by Live Argyll Community Learning Services, submitted)

# (i) Opportunity for Verbal Updates

## Crossroads

Joan Best highlighted that Crossroads are now supporting 79 carers with around 195hrs of respite offered per week. Crossroads have also been in discussions with key stakeholders to establish the service on Tiree with referrals expected soon.

## Hope Kitchen

Catriona Petit advised that the Climate Hub is open and Time for Change hold a café within Hope Kitchen each month. Support work around alcohol and addictions continues, focusing on recovery and reducing stigma. Food Poverty, Cost of Living Crisis and Mental Health support will be delivered from the new shop space in George Street which should be open in March.

# Community Development Team

Ailie Law highlighted that the Supporting Communities Fund is now open and will run until 18 March 2024. Anyone wanting further information can contact any of the Community Development Team or follow the link:-

https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/my-community/communities-and-partnerships/supporting-communities-fund

## Skills Development Scotland

Susan MacRae advised that a new careers advisor is now in post,