

# Agenda

## Community Alliance

**Date:** Wednesday, 24 October 2018

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**Time:** 14:00

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**Venue:** Civic Space, Council Offices, 16 Church Street,  
Dumbarton

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*Dear Member*

*Please attend a meeting of the Community Alliance as detailed above. The business is shown on the attached agenda.*

*Yours faithfully*

**JOYCE WHITE**

*Chief Executive*

***Distribution:***

*Anne MacDougall, Chair*

***Community Representatives and Voluntary Sector Members***

***Elected Members:-***

*Councillor C McAllister (Vice-Chair)*

*Councillor J Millar*

*Councillor S Page*

*All other Councillors for information*

*Date of issue: 17 October 2018*

## COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

THURSDAY, 24 OCTOBER 2018

### AGENDA

<u>Anticipated Times</u>		<u>Item</u>	<u>Pages</u>
	1	<b>APOLOGIES</b>	
	2	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>	
2.00	3	<b>MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (19 April 2018)</b>	5 - 8
2.05	4	<b>DEVELOPMENT SESSION: THE COMMUNITY ALLIANCE</b>	
		<i>As per the discussion at the meeting of 19 April 2018 the Chair will lead a development session on 'Developing the Community Alliance'.</i>	
	4a)	<b>Membership of the Community Alliance</b>	
		<i>With a key remit of representing communities of WD consideration should be given to the membership of the Alliance and the distribution list. Are we representative of West Dunbartonshire?</i>	
	4b)	<b>A New Approach for the Community Alliance</b>	
		<i>How can the CA become more representative of the communities we serve? Do we need to be more responsive to local need? How can we do this?</i>	
	4c)	<b>When and Where should Community Alliance meetings take place?</b>	
		<i>Consider where and when we meet as a group, are meetings the most appropriate method of progressing work streams? How can we generate more interest in the CA?</i>	

	<b>4d)</b>	<b>Influencing the subject matter of meetings</b>	
		<i>Invite experts to provide the CA with information.</i>	
	<b>4e)</b>	<b>How do members report back to groups / communities?</b>	
		<i>How can we improve the method of reporting back / sharing information with communities? How can we extend / increase our audience base? How do communities benefit from our role?</i>	
<b>3.05</b>	<b>4f)</b>	<b>Next Steps</b>	
		<i>What are the key areas that we want to change / improve?</i>	

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## COMMUNITY ALLIANCE

At a Meeting of the Community Alliance held in Committee Room 2, Council Offices, Garshake Road, Dumbarton on Thursday, 19 April 2018 at 10.00 a.m.

**Present:** Anne MacDougall, Chair; Councillors Caroline McAllister and Sally Page; Rhona Young, Clydebank Seniors Forum; Hope Robertson, Clydebank Asbestos Group; Barbara Barnes, Health & Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Locality Engagement Network; and Jackie and Margaret Maceira, West Dunbartonshire Access Panel.

**Attending:** Amanda Coulthard, Performance & Strategy Manager; Antony McGuinness, Team Leader – Forward Planning; Suzanne Greer, Community Empowerment Officer; Wendy Jack, Interim Head of Strategy, Planning and Health Improvement, West Dunbartonshire Health & Social Care Partnership; Stephen Brooks, Manager, Working4U; Christine Brodie, Working4U Team Leader; Brian McQuillan, Communities Project Worker – Communities Team, and Craig Stewart, Committee Officer.

**Also Attending:** Chief Superintendent Hazel Hendren, Superintendent Brian Gibson and Chief Inspector Donald Leitch, Police Scotland; Andrew MacLure and Bobby Tourish, Local Authority Liaison Officer, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service (SFRS); and Sab Dhillon, PA to Margaret Maceira.

**Apologies:** Apologies were intimated on behalf of Councillor John Millar; Haji Munir, West Dunbartonshire Minority Ethnic Association; Gilbert Howatson, Community Councils' Forum; Richard Cairns, Strategic Director – Regeneration, Environment & Growth, Peter Barry, Strategic Lead – Housing and Employability and Stuart McLean, Group Manager, SFRS.

**Ms Anne MacDougall in the Chair**

## DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

It was noted that there were no declarations of interest in any of the items of business on the agenda.

## **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING (9 August 2017)**

The Minutes of Meeting of the Community Alliance held on 9 August 2017 were submitted and approved as a correct record. The Community Alliance also heard an update from the Performance & Strategy Manager in respect of the Development Session for the Community Alliance held in November 2017, and the Community Conference.

### **COMMUNITY BUDGET – PHASE 3 UPDATE**

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Housing & Employability providing a summary of Phase 3 of community budgeting in West Dunbartonshire.

After discussion and having heard the Performance and Strategy Manager in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Alliance agreed to note the content of the report and the verbal update given.

### **DELIVERY OF LOCAL POLICE AND FIRE PLANS – QUARTER 3**

A report was submitted by the Divisional Commander, Police Scotland and Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service providing an update on activity in quarter three from both the Local Police Plan and Local Fire Plan.

After discussion and having heard Chief Superintendent Hendren, Chief Inspector Leitch and Superintendent Gibson, Police Scotland and Andrew Maclure, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, respectively, in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Alliance agreed:-

- (1) to note the comprehensive, full and detailed presentations on their respective reports and for the helpful analysis behind the statistical data contained within; and
- (2) otherwise to note the content of the report and the terms of the discussion that had taken place in respect of this matter.

### **DELIVERY & IMPROVEMENT GROUP - ACTION PLANS**

A report was submitted by the Delivery & Improvement Group Chairs providing an update on progress on Delivery & Improvement Group (DIG) action plan activity against agreed local outcomes on Flourishing, Safe and Nurtured West Dunbartonshire.

After discussion and having heard the Performance & Strategy Manager give a brief overview on this item, the Alliance noted the update given. In relation to a question by Barbara Barnes regarding the preferred developer for the 'Deliver the Mitchell Way Redevelopment Site project in Alexandria Town Centre', contained in the

Flourishing DIG, the Performance & Strategy Manager would endeavour to get a reply to Ms Barnes on her query.

### **UNIVERSAL CREDIT FULL SERVICE**

A report was submitted by the Strategic Lead – Housing and Employability providing an update on the proposed change, which includes an illustration of the emerging challenges and an indication of our preparations to address the various challenges emerging as a result.

After discussion and having heard the Manager Working4U in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Alliance agreed:-

- (1) to note the issues identified, including the terms of the discussion that had taken place in respect of this matter;
- (2) to take forward as an action, how community representatives could individually and collectively contribute to the delivery of the action plan; and
- (3) to support the development of a Customer Representation Group.

### **YOUR PLACE, YOUR PLAN: PROGRESS UPDATE**

A report was submitted by the Flourishing Delivery & Improvement Group providing an update on progress made in establishing the Your Place, Your Plan workstream.

After discussion and having heard the Team Leader – Forward Planning in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Community Alliance agreed to note the work which had taken place to date, and would provide comments on the opportunities for taking this work forward.

### **DEVELOPING THE COMMUNITY ALLIANCE**

Submit report by the Community Alliance Chair providing an update on the future development of the Community Alliance.

After discussion and having heard the Performance & Strategy Manager in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Alliance agreed:-

- (1) the draft revised role and remit set out in Appendix one to the report;
- (2) to review the proposed actions generated at the development session in November 2017, as set out in appendix two to the report;
- (3) the need for a suite of actions to progress and enhance the work of the Community Alliance;

- (4) to note the terms of the discussion that had taken place in respect of this item, including representation, and particularly the need for a sub-group , comprising of appropriate representation, to plan ahead and develop the Alliance;
- (5) that it would be useful to alternate the format between formal meetings and development sessions – next session to be development session and explored possibly extending this to a wider audience;
- (6) to note Community Transport as an agenda item, possibly for the October meeting, and an update would be provided by Bria McQuillan, Communities Project Worker;
- (7) to note the discussion around possible showcasing by community groups, and presenting to the Alliance on the work they do, etc.; and
- (8) that it would be helpful for officers to look at identifying other areas (of best or good practice), where a similar model as to the Community Alliance was operating, in order that further work could be undertaken on that.

### **QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC GALLERY**

It was noted that there were no questions from the public gallery.

### **FUTURE MEETING DATES OF THE COMMUNITY ALLIANCE**

The Alliance agreed the need for a meeting to be held in June 2018, and a date for this would be identified and communicated to Members.

In addition, the following meeting dates were agreed:-

- 2pm on Thu, 18 October 2018 in New Council Offices, Church St., Dumbarton
- 10am on Thu, 17 January 2019 in New Council Offices, Church St., Dumbarton

The meeting closed at 12.17 p.m.