

Agenda

Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board

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Dear Member

Please attend a meeting of the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board as detailed above.

The business is shown on the attached agenda.

Yours faithfully

PETER HESSETT

Chief Executive

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Councillor Martin Rooney (Chair)
Councillor Michelle McGinty (Vice Chair)
Councillor Clare Steel
Peter Hessest, Chief Executive, West Dunbartonshire Council
Peter Barry, Chief Officer – Housing and Employability, West Dunbartonshire Council
Laura Mason, Chief Education Officer, West Dunbartonshire Council
Beth Culshaw, Chief Officer of West Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership (WD HSCP)
Lesley James, Head of Children's Health, Care and Justice Services and Chief Social Work Officer (WD HSCP)
Fiona Taylor, Health and Social Care Partnership (WD HSCP)
John Anderson, Manager, West Dunbartonshire Leisure Trust
Liz Connolly, Principal, West College Scotland
Jennifer Gilliver, Department of Works and Pensions
Jimmy Hyslop, Operations Manager, NatureScot
Sharon Kelly, Head of West Region, Skills Development Scotland
Bruce Kiloh, Principal Transport Policy Officer, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport
Anne MacDougall, Chair of the Community Alliance
Joe McKay, Local Senior Officer – West Dunbartonshire, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
Mark Newlands, Scottish Enterprise
Kevin Quinlan, Scottish Government Location Director
Selina Ross, Manager, West Dunbartonshire Community Volunteering Service
Damon Scott, Dunbartonshire Chamber of Commerce
Noreen Shields, Nursing Director, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
Catherine Topley, Chief Executive, Scottish Canals
Gordon Watson, Loch Lomond & the Trossachs National Park
Gerry Watt, Scottish Prison Service
Vacant, Police Scotland

Amanda Graham, Chief Officer, Citizens, Culture, & Facilities
Elaine Troup, Communities Manager

Provost Douglas McAllister [substitute]
Councillor John Millar [substitute]
Councillor Gurpreet Singh Johal [substitute]

Date of issue: 2 November 2023

COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE MANAGEMENT BOARD**THURSDAY, 16 NOVEMBER 2023****AGENDA****1 APOLOGIES****2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Members are invited to declare if they have an interest in any of the items of business on the agenda and the reasons for such declarations.

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Submit for information the Rolling Action list for the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board.

5 WHOLE FAMILY WELLBEING UPDATE 11 – 14

Claire Cusick, Senior Education Officer, will give a presentation in relation to Whole Family Wellbeing.

In this regard, submit report by Laura Mason, Chief Education Officer informing of the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund and providing an update on plans to deliver whole family supports.

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Submit report by Peter Hessett, Chief Executive providing an update of discussion at the most recent Community Planning Executive Group (CPEG) meeting held on 9 October 2023.

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Thursday, 22 February at 2pm, MS Teams.



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Thursday, 17 August 2023

Present:

Councillor Martin Rooney (Chair)
Councillor Michelle McGinty
Peter Hessest
Laura Mason
Peter Barry
Elaine Troup
Gillian McNamara
Fiona Taylor

John Anderson

Judith McLaughlin
Damon Scott

Jimmy Hyslop
Ryan McMurdo
Joe McKay
Sharon Kelly
John Binning

Liz Connolly
Selina Ross
Ashley MacIntyre

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Department for Work and Pensions
Dunbartonshire Chamber of
Commerce
NatureScot
Police Scotland
Scottish Fire and Rescue
Skills Development Scotland
Strathclyde Partnership for
Transport
West College Scotland
West Dunbartonshire CVS
West Dunbartonshire Council

Apologies:

Councillor Clare Steel
Amanda Graham
Beth Culshaw

Lesley James

Rebecca Campbell
Lorna Gibson
Colin MacBean

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Social Care Partnership
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Social Care Partnership
NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde
Police Scotland
Scottish Government

Councillor Martin Rooney 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

The Minutes of Meeting of the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board held on 18 May 2023 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

ACTION LOG

The Rolling Action list for the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board was submitted for information and relevant updates were noted and agreed.

SUSTAINABILITY PRESENTATION

Gillian McNamara, Economic Development Manager gave a presentation to the Board. The main points covered in the presentation were:-

- Community Wealth Building;
- Sustainable Development;
- Inclusive Growth;
- Policy Drivers;
- WD Economic Development;
- WD Examples – Exxon, Queens Quay, Shop Front Grants;
- Anchor Organisations; and
- Key Considerations.

After discussion and having heard the Economic Development Manager in further explanation and in answer to Members questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note that the presentation would be circulated via email to those interested in receiving a copy; and
- (2) to note the update provided.

COMMUNITY PLANNING EXECUTIVE GROUP

A report was submitted by Peter Hissett, Chief Executive providing an update from the most recent Community Planning Executive Group meeting.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Executive in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note the update provided; and
- (2) to note the content of the Community Planning Executive Group Meeting Note and Actions, Appendix 1 of the report.

DELIVERY IMPROVEMENT GROUP (DIG) UPDATES

(a) Flourishing – Peter Barry

A report was submitted by Peter Barry, Chief Officer – Housing and Employability providing an update on the work of the Flourishing Delivery and Improvement Group.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Housing and Employability in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note the update provided;
- (2) to note the Good News Stories – Employer Grants update, Appendix 1 of the report; and
- (3) to provide commitment and support to help maximise the impacts of the business support activity being developed and implemented through the Flourishing DIG.

(b) Independent – Fiona Taylor

A report was submitted by Fiona Taylor, Head of Health and Community Care providing an update on the work of the Independent Delivery and Improvement Group.

After discussion and having heard the Head of Health and Community Care in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed to note the update provided.

(c) Nurtured – Laura Mason

A report was submitted by Laura Mason, Chief Education Officer providing an update on the work of the Nurtured Delivery and Improvement Group.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Education Officer in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed to note the update provided.

(d) Empowered – Selina Ross

A report was submitted by Selina Ross, West Dunbartonshire CVS providing an update on the work of the Empowered Delivery and Improvement Group.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – West Dunbartonshire CVS in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note the update provided; and
- (2) to provide final comment and suggested additions/ amendments to the proposed Volunteering Strategy, Appendix 1 of the report.

(e) SAFE – Lorna Gibson

A report was submitted by Superintendent Lorna Gibson, Police Scotland providing an update on the work of the Safe Delivery and Improvement Group.

After discussion and having heard Chief Inspector Ryan McMurdo, Police Scotland in further explanation of the report and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed to note the update provided.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Board would be held on Thursday, 16 November 2023 at 2 p.m. on MS Teams.

The meeting closed at 4.05 p.m.



	Complete		In Progress		Outstanding
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Date Set	Action	Who	Required by Date	Status
28.09.2022	Local Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan to be developed and published.	Beth Culshaw	April 2023	Outstanding – Awaiting Update



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

Report by the Chief Education Officer

Management Group: 16 November 2023

Subject: Whole Family Wellbeing Update

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to:
- Inform members of the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund and;
 - Update on plans to deliver whole family supports.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** Community Planning Partnership (CPP) West Dunbartonshire is asked to:
- note progress and strategic direction of plans.

3. Background

- 3.1** Scottish Government (SG) have established the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund (WFWF) over the lifetime of this parliament (2022-2026) (App1. National Principles of Holistic Whole Family Support). They have committed £500 million to support Community Planning Partnerships to:
- support the whole system transformational change required to reduce the need for crisis intervention and;
 - shift investment towards prevention and early intervention.
- 3.2** It is their ambition that by 2030 at least 5% of all community-based health and social care spend will be on preventative whole family support measures.
- 3.3** Funding in financial year 2022-2023 is focused on:
- supporting capacity building at local and national level;
 - supporting the scaling up of existing transformational practice in line with holistic whole family support principles and;
 - demonstrating positive impact for families.
- 3.4** The fund is split into three elements: £32 million to support Children's Services Planning Partnerships, £6 million to enable direct support to CPP's from a national improvement team and the third element supporting new, SG led national policy delivery that will help transform how families are supported (decisions on this element are still pending).

- 3.5** It is expected that when WFWF ceases at the end of 2025-2026, local investment will have realigned to support the new systems and services it has enabled. (App.2 Whole Family Wellbeing Funding)

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** WDC has established a multi-agency steering group to develop a strategic approach to delivering Whole Family Wellbeing changes and improvements. Key staff have been identified who will progress workstreams. Plans and updates are and will continue to be reflected in the Integrated Children's Services Plan. This Lead Group has skills and values centred on the principles of holistic whole family support and a commitment to working in new and different ways to join up resources and approaches. The establishment of a cyclical series of meetings by the Expert Group and the Changemaker Group ensures joined up decision making and action planning which is timely, effective and impactful.
- 4.2** Our vision of family support is one which is clearly accessible and readily available to all and any family who needs it. We aim to ensure families are able to access the help they need, where and when they need it for as long as it is needed. In this way, we will shift towards a West Dunbartonshire where more of our children know and experience care, compassion and love, as opposed to a 'care system'. This will enable us to fulfil the right of children to be raised safely in their own families; where those families skills and capacities have been developed and strengthened, leaving them better equipped to support their children.
- 4.3** Our strategy guides partners in jointly developing systems to provide holistic support which addresses the needs of children and adults in a family at the time of need rather than at times of crisis. In turn, it is anticipated this will help families to flourish, reduce the chances of family breakdown, and of children entering the care system. It takes account of The Promise Scotland and clearly highlights the importance of un-stigmatised access to effective universal and intensive family support with early intervention and prevention at its core.
- 4.4** We recognise the need to ensure the voice of our children, young people and families is crucial to ensuring we develop our systems in a way they recognise reflects their needs and views. We aim to develop pathways to support where the experiences of our families are embedded in their rights, their needs and their hopes, informed by recent survey activity. A Family Wellbeing, Participation and Involvement Lead Officer has been appointed to support the coordination, strategic planning and developments surrounding West Dunbartonshire's aspirations to fully implement our Whole Family Wellbeing Route Map and Plan. In addition, a Whole Family Wellbeing Support Officer has been appointed. This Officer has responsibility to support in the delivery of the expectations of Family Support and the collaboration across services to drive forward our shared ambitions associated with The Promise, UNCRC and GIRFEC.

- 4.5** A calendar of Quality Improvement and Self-Evaluation has been produced and is being implemented, which will lead all Nurtured DIG partners in evaluating How Good Is Our Family Support. This process supports partners over a three year cycle, to consider the four themes of family support and outcomes of this will inform developments and improvements to service delivery. In addition and reflecting the need for improved and increased opportunities for multi-agency training and planning, a series of staff briefings and Even Better If (EBI) sessions will be implemented focussing on themes and needs emerging. We are currently in Year 2 Term 1 of our Multi-Agency Evaluation of Family Support. Our most recent evaluation noted improvement in our 'Availability and Access'. Our collaborative evaluation rated 'Availability and Access' as 'Good' with a Universal offer of family help and support via the new WD Wellbeing website, implementation of the Hubs and a more collaborative approach to ensuring support is available.
- 4.6** The Strategic plan identifies three distinct phases of implementation from 2021 – 2026. This will ensure we build capacity, conduct tests of change, develop new and improved methodology and evaluation processes and embed what we and our service users know is working.
- 4.7** Phase One of planning involves establishing three Family Help WDC sites across the Council; Clydebank Central, Dumbarton Central and Bonhill. Families will be able to access a range of workers and supports on the premises in any given day. Staffing of the Hubs includes: 5 Outreach Workers and an NHS Neurodevelopment Team. They will offer planned group and 1-1 sessions focussing on family help. This partnership working will offer opportunities for professional learning for the wider multi-agency workforce, with a series of ND specific CPD sessions for staff from all agencies being delivered in each hub. NHS staff from Specialist Children's Services (including Paediatricians, Nursing, Occupational Therapy and Speech & Language Therapy), CAMHS (including Psychology and Nursing), and from the ND team itself will deliver these sessions. Over the summer approximately 300 families access the Hubs via drop in sessions. The content of these has been informed by needs identified by parents and staff, such as supporting neurodiversity, sleep, parenting and mental health concerns.
- 4.8** A diverse range of multi-agency staff and partners will provide a suite of family help supports coordinated and delivered in the premises and elsewhere as appropriate. These include: Neurodevelopmental workers, Includem, Education Outreach workers, Specialists in Family Group Decision Making, Speech and Language Therapists, Occupational Therapists and Family Nursing staff.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** There are no people implications as a result of this report. However, it is essential that partners collaborate to re-align resource allocation and priorities

to meet the needs of children, young people and families with Early Help as we progress towards 2026.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1** There are no direct financial implications for Community Planning West Dunbartonshire resulting from this report. All activities related to the implementation of these interventions are contained within allocated SG funding.

7. Risk Analysis

- 7.1** If the Council is unable to ensure positive outcomes for children, we will not be meeting their needs (Children and Young People Act 2014) (Equalities Act 2010).
- 7.2** If the Council is unable to meet the needs of children, young people and families this could result in reputational damage.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

- 8.1** The plans enhance the quality of the service provided to all children, young people and families, therefore it can be seen to have a positive impact in terms of the equalities

9. Consultation

- 9.1** Legal Services and the Section 95 Officer have been consulted in relation to the content of this report.

10. Strategic Assessment

- 10.1** This report reflects the Council's aspiration to reduce inequalities for the people of West Dunbartonshire.

Person to Contact: Claire Cusick Senior Education Officer

Appendices: Appendix 1 – National Principles of Holistic Whole Family Support. <http://www.gov.scot/ISBN/9781804351208>

Appendix 2 - Whole Family Wellbeing Funding
<https://www.gov.scot/publications/family-support-advisory-group-whole-family-wellbeing-funding-2/>

Wards Affected: All



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

**Report by the Chief Executive Officer of West Dunbartonshire Council, Chair of
the Community Planning Executive Group**

Management Group: 16 November 2023

Subject: Community Planning Executive Group

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to inform CPWD Board members of the discussion at the most recent Community Planning Executive Group (CPEG) meeting held on 9 October 2023.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** CPWD is asked to note the content of Appendix One: Community Planning Executive Group Meeting Note and Actions 9 October 2023.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Community Planning Executive Group met on 9 October 2023. The group is chaired by the Council's Chief Executive, and membership includes the five DIG leads and Community Planning Manager. The purpose of the group is to support CPWD and oversee improvement activity across the partnership.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** The key discussion points and actions are noted in Appendix One: Community Planning Executive Group Meeting Note and Actions 9 October 2023.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** There are no people implications.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1** There are no financial implications.

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 Failure to respond to challenges would risk delivery against policy priorities.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

8.1 No actions are required as this is an update report.

9. Consultation

9.1 This report provides an update on ongoing activity.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 Progressing work as outlined in this report ensures CPWD can deliver on the outcomes set in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan.

Peter Hessett - Chair, CPEG
20.10.2023

Person to Contact: Elaine Troup, Communities Manager, Elaine.troup@west-dunbarton.gov.uk

Appendices: Appendix One: Community Planning Executive Group Meeting Note and Actions 9 October 2023.

Background Papers: Previous reports to Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board on Executive Group activity.

Wards Affected: All



Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Executive Group – Meeting Note and Actions

Date: Monday 9 October 2023

Time: 11:00

	Item
1.	Welcome, introductions and apologies.
	<p>In Attendance: Peter Hessett (Chair) (PH), Peter Barry (PB), Lorna Gibson (LG), Fiona Taylor (FT), Elaine Troup (ET), Lesley James (LJ), Amanda Graham (AG), Selina Ross (SR).</p> <p>Apologies: Ryan McMurdo (RM) (to be removed from attendee list)</p>
2.	Note and action log of previous meeting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agreed as an accurate record. • Discussion held around the Partnership Agreement. General agreement that all CP partners engage well with the wider community. A mapping exercise will be undertaken to understand the diversity of the engagement that takes place. This will be built into the revised Partnership Agreement. As will the feedback from the recent work undertaken by the Communities Team. Acknowledgement that CPWD would benefit by sharing success stories or progress with communities. Consideration to how this could be achieved. • Action – ET to progress work stream.
3.	DIG updates on plan revisions
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All DIG leads confirmed their Action Plans are either in place or in draft form and will be presented to November Board meeting. • Action – LJ and ET to discuss Nurtured DIG, meeting is taking place Monday 6 November. • ET confirmed that Ric Rea could support DIG leads through the use of Pentana to report progress. • Having recently had a presentation on each of the three themes it was agreed to invite Claire Cusick (CC) to present on the Whole Family

	Wellbeing Fund (WFWF). This will allow a greater understanding of the project and allow the partners to engage in wider discussion around opportunities to add value. Action ET – extend an invite to CC to attend Management Board.
4.	Exception reporting: Matters arising from DIGs that cannot be resolved within DIG.
	Nothing raised.
5.	CPWD Management Board Meeting
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Next meeting will be on MS Teams Meeting in May likely to be in person.
6.	AOCB and Date of Next Meeting
	<p>Best Value Audit – PH up-dated that a series of interviews had taken place and a draft report is expected next week (w/c16.10.23)</p> <p>CPWD Annual Report is now due. Action ET will contact all DIG leads to request information and good news stories.</p> <p>PH thanked LG for her on-going support to CPWD and wished her well in her promoted role. Jonathan Harris will take over from LG in November.</p> <p>Meeting dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> CPWD Pre Agenda – 25 October 2023; CPWD Management Meeting - 16 November 2023 Exec Group meeting: Monday 22 January '24 11am (MS Teams)

No.	Action	Progress
2.1	Action ET – to progress work on the development of Partnership Agreement. Email all Partners to understand the extent/diversity of community engagement undertaken.	
3.1	Action – LJ and ET to discuss Nurtured DIG action plan.	Meeting on Monday 6 November.
3.2	Action ET – extend an invite to CC to attend Management Board. Email Ashley to up-date CPWD Management Board Agenda.	Invitation sent 09.10.23
6. 1	Action ET - email all DIG leads to request feedback / information to support the preparation of CPWD Annual Report 2022/23.	



Flourishing DIG Actions 22-25

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Local Outcome

Our local economy is flourishing



Increased and better quality learning and employment opportunities


Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
Maximise impact of employment Group	Collectively agreed customer charter	Each organisation already has its own charter, however we are awaiting guidance from the Scottish Government on how a joint charter should be progressed before taking further action, and this has not yet been forthcoming		31-Oct-2023	No	Stephen Brooks
	DIG reps on strategic employment group, agree to take leadership of some work streams			31-Oct-2023	Yes	
	Joint scorecard/dashboard of measures implemented			31-Mar-2022	Yes	
	Lever community regeneration fund			31-Mar-2022	Yes	
	Protocol agreed for using data in decision making/impact assessment			31-Mar-2022	Yes	
	Service user involvement; Creative design group – service provider creating responsive services that are appropriate;			31-Oct-2023	Yes	
Increase Digital Skills Action Plan	Enhance Learning Pathways-Access to WCS Developing Confidence Online for partner staff and learners, provide access for partners to specialist IT skills training and CPD opportunities- e.g.MIE (Microsoft Innovative Educators) Status focus	WDC Organisational Development and Change Lead has been liaising with WCS Online Learning Team resulting in WCS fully funded courses being offered to WDC staff and the broader community. WDC staff have been sent link and can sign up for courses on an individual basis and these are also being promoted locally and regionally. Other digital training to be offered will be informed on the output of the Digital Skills Training Needs Analysis		30-Jun-2022	Yes	Sara Rae
	Enhance Learning Pathways. WCS to Develop Senior Phase school/college Induction Programme to include digital upskilling in relation to preparation for college and/or preparation for	As part of Preparation for College we are offering a basic Digital Skills Programme to ensure everyone starting their training with the College has the opportunity to have baseline digital confidence to progress with their learning		30-Jun-2022	Yes	

Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
	work	and training. A revised induction programme is being piloted and delivered weeks beginning 6th June and 13th June. This will be reviewed post-inductions.				
	Gauge impact of Connecting Scotland Work	A wide range of public, private and third sector partners in WD have worked together to provide a national, human-centred, consistent and comprehensive approach to reducing the rates of digital exclusion and digital marginalisation due to low income. In West Dunbartonshire Working4U has taken a lead role in ensuring access is maximised. Phase 1: focused on those who were at risk of isolation due to COVID-19 because they were in the extremely high vulnerability group ('shielding') or the higher risk of severe illness group. Phase 2: was those specifically identified within the context of the Child Poverty legislation Phase 3: focused efforts on supporting families who are experiencing disadvantage. In total 823 chromebooks, 755 ipads, 1392 MiFi connections have been distributed for use in multiple interventions		21-Dec-2021	Yes	
	Improve Digital Outcomes in Senior Phase-Increase in option availability	1.Baseline option choice availability - Historic data of subject availability analysed 2.Baseline digital subject uptake - Historic data of subject uptake analysed 3.Increase in option availability - Introduction of new courses on an annual basis, for 2022 this includes incorporating eSports into NPA Games Development. Given remit schools have of offering wider qualifications this will be an ongoing part of the review process to ensure that the pathways are aligned.		25-Feb-2022	Yes	
	Increase Industry Engagement and Digital Learning Short sharp interventions, increased employer engagement lead by SDS	SDS - To provide update		28-Oct-2023	No	
	To improve digital skills of school pupils to smooth the transition from school to college or other destinations	WDC (Education) - To provide an update		28-Oct-2023	No	
	W4U - Infrastructure, impact of Connecting Scotland, linked to CLD draft plan, CPD for	W4U - To provide an update		28-Oct-2023	No	



Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
	individuals					
	W4U to carry out digital skills training need analysis	W4U - To provide an update		28-Oct-2023	No	
Integrated approach to funding and resources including recovery resources	List of Funding Resources developed covering all sectors	As well as information on the Council website , the Communities Team has developed a funding bulletin distributed across West Dunbartonshire. We will also sign post enquires about funding to sources of information.		31-Oct-2023	Yes	Stephen Brooks
Deliver COVID Specific recovery actions	Community renewal fund proposal			25-Feb-2022	Yes	Stephen Brooks
	Development of levelling up opportunity			30-Jun-2022	Yes	
	Young persons Guarantee			31-May-2022	Yes	
Advance Integrated approach to foundation apprenticeships	Increase diversity of uptake-inline with current national and SDS focus			21-Mar-2023	No	Paul Zealy
	Increase placements cooperation	Currently sitting with 66 Application to date. Breakdown of partner no's - Working 4 You – 50 West College Scotland – 11 Glasgow Consortia – 5 Genius People – 0 (this might change over the next 2 weeks due to a new development)		24-Jun-2022	No	
	Maximise opportunities around Green Growth			31-Mar-2023	No	

Our economy is diverse and dynamic creating opportunities for everyone

Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
Implement joint action plan to support business regrowth, diversity and innovation	A range of engagement exercise with local businesses will be delivered jointly by SE, WDC and Chamber of Commerce.	A range of business events and webinars were held during 2022/23 by Business Gateway, Scottish Enterprise and Dunbartonshire Chamber of Commerce.		30-Dec-2022	Yes	Janice Kennedy
	Agree actions to build and maintain business resilience.	A range of business support programmes have been developed and approved through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and will be available to local businesses from April/May 2023.		30-Sep-2022	Yes	
	Consult with businesses and social enterprise on support needs, Chamber of Commerce and WDCVS	Business Growth Survey has been undertaken by WDC which included feedback on assistance required to support their business.		27-Oct-2022	Yes	
Working4Business (W4B) improve collaborative working	Deliver High Growth Start-Up Challenge Fund in collaboration with W4B partners	High Growth Start-Up Challenge Fund provided 5 early stage businesses with £5,000 each to maximise their growth potential. W4B partners were involved in both scoring and challenge fund interviews.			Yes	Gillian Scholes

Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
	Re-establish and deliver the Business Awards in 2023	A quick quote procurement exercise was undertaken to secure an event organiser. Entourage Ltd were the successful bidder and they will work with the group to ensure a successful 2023 event on Friday 26 May.			Yes	
Increase percentage of local businesses securing public sector contracts	Participate in Regional approach to CWB	New Economic Development Strategy approved by IRED Committee in November 2022 includes Community Wealth Building approach			Yes	Gillian Scholes
	Promote public contracts opportunities	Public Contracts have been promoted to local businesses through various channels including social media, e-mail and directly through advisers to relevant businesses.			Yes	
	Provide appropriate procurement development for local SMEs	Supplier Development Programme has been promoted to local businesses to assist with improving their procurement opportunities.			Yes	

Our local communities are sustainable and attractive

Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
Deliver LED projects	Continue to develop Bowling basin with Scottish Canals	Regular meetings with Scottish Canals to explore development opportunities and sources of funding continue.		31-Mar-2022	Yes	Gillian McNamara
	Deliver against the Charrette action plans for Dumbarton, Clydebank and Balloch	Design elements and some projects are progressing across a number of the Charrette action plans.		31-Mar-2022	Yes	
	Deliver Bio-Diversity park at Former St Eunan's primary	Site works commenced on 29 July 2019 and works are progressing as planned. Delays due to COVID Pandemic with works commencing again in 2020/21 period (Early June 2020). Now due for completion in August 2020.		31-Aug-2020	Yes	
Deliver key projects from the Regeneration Fund	Bowling Basin Development	Regular meetings with Scottish Canals continue to explore routes to developments at the Basin.		31-Mar-2022	Yes	Gillian McNamara; Magda Swider
	Carless Regeneration development	The Malin Group secured planning permission for their site remediation strategy.		30-Mar-2020	Yes	
	Deliver the Balloch Village Square	Village Square project completed at end of June 2019		31-Mar-2021	Yes	
	Delivery Dumbarton Waterfront Pathway from Town Centre to Castle.	Progress is being made with Cullross and Lidl site, some challenges exist with progressing Turnberry and DFC site. Partial complete, however action will be closed and re-		31-Mar-2022	Yes	

Action	Milestone	Note	Status	M'stones Due Date	Milestones Completed	Assigned To
		established for 2022/23				
	Delivery the A814 Connecting Clydebank project	Ongoing discussion with Sustrans to progress the funding package is progressing.		31-Mar-2021	Yes	
	District Heating	Queens Quay DHN is a multi-year programme of work, with the current focus on securing funding for extensions		30-Mar-2023	Yes	
	Ensure integrated Fairer Scotland Duty assessment explicitly informs the approach, taking into account the need for inclusive growth			31-Mar-2023	Yes	

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Delivery and Improvement Group:

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Action Plan 2023- 2025

Local Outcome: Adults and older people are able to live independently in the community

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
A better informed population who understand their responsibilities in health and social care cultivate a self-care approach	September 2024	F Taylor	Agree leadership on this work stream	November 2023
			Identify key people / community groups to initiate early discussion around potential engagement work to develop this strategic driver.	September 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Carers are better supported to look after their own health and social care needs as well as those of the person they are caring for.	March 2024	Carers of West Dunbartonshire / F Taylor	HSCP 'Short breaks (respite)' policy to be revised to deliver a standardised and clearly understood pathway.	March 2024
			Carer Champions across Health and Community Care services to champion the needs of carers.	March 2024
			Identify key people / community groups to initiate early discussion around potential engagement work to develop this strategic driver.	March 2024

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Local Outcome: Quality of life is improved for our older residents

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Increased awareness of the need for pro-active engagement with Power of Attorney and anticipatory care planning	Sep 2024	CAB / Anna Crawford / Morag Lynagh / Selina Ross	Raise awareness of PoA - advertising campaign- all ages, not just older people.	November 2023
			Increased number of PoA completion via current PoA initiative funded via the HSCP.	
			Identify training required to enable employees to be knowledgeable to be able to signpost in PoA and ACP discussions.	March 2024
			Identify key people across the HSCP and the Council to be skilled at raising knowledge of PoA and be able to promote this activity and signpost appropriately.	March 2024
			Increased completion of ACP's on Clinical Portal (NHS site shared with Acute staff / out of hours GP's etc).	March 2024
			Develop community based ACP activity with CVS to promote discussion with older people.	March 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Older people, inclusive of those in care homes, maintain their independence and	Sep 2024	Bernadette Smith / Bob	Identify links into local communities to communicate with and develop relationships	March 2024

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engagement with their communities		Purdon / Kevin Murphy / Barbara Barnes	Alternatives to formal HSCP services to support people who need support at home – Caring Communities.	September 2024
			Use of TEC enabled care - dementia being a key area.	September 2024
			Develop pathways to promote access to existing Leisure Trust exercise programmes plus additional community based activities.	September 2024

Local Outcome: Housing options are responsive to changing needs over time

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due

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Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due

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Empowered DIG Action Plan

Delivery and Improvement Group:

Empowered DIG Action Plan 2023-5

Local Outcome: We live in engaged and cohesive communities

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Actions on poverty, food and fuel insecurity are well coordinated and sustainable across WD (Sustainability/Wellbeing/Empowerment)	March 2024	Stephen Brooks/ Elaine Troup (WDC)	Financial scam awareness promoted	Nov 2023
			Increase dedicated Benefit Maximisation activity for carers and those they care for	Dec 2023
			Map existing provision of community based free period products	Jan 2024
			Work with partners to increase community-based premises stocking free period products	Mar 2024
			Financial scam awareness session publicised and delivered	Mar 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Work with communities to establish a comprehensive health walk network (Wellbeing/Empowerment)	June 2024	Daren Borzynski (WDCVS)/ WFWD Forum	Working with WFWD Forum map existing provisions	Nov 2023
			Identify and target options to fill gaps	March 2024
			Produce and promote accessible provision maps	June 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Work with VIOs across all sectors to support increased number of high quality, inclusive volunteering opportunities they offer	June 2024	WDCVS /InVOLve Forum	Scope inclusive volunteering in WD setting	Sept 2023
			Establish inclusive volunteering working group	Nov 2023
			Produce inclusive volunteering action plan	Feb 2024

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(Wellbeing/Empowerment)			Review Actions and determine 2024/5 actions	April 2024
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Local Outcome: Citizens are confident, resilient and responsible

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Deliver the Year 3 Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund programme (Wellbeing/Empowerment)	Mar 2024	David Robertson (WDCVS)	Open fund for applications and awareness raising sessions delivered	Sept 2023
			Application stage 1 assessments complete	Dec 2023
			Panel decisions notified to successful applicants	Feb 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Improve opportunities for community participation and influence (Sustainability, Empowerment)	June 2024	Gordon Harrower (WDCVS)/ Elaine Troup (WDC)	Explore barriers to digital engagement	Nov 2023
			Increase awareness of digital training and device access	Jan 2024
			Wider use of LinkUp West Dunbartonshire community portal to share informal opportunities	Feb 2024
			Work in partnership to increase awareness of Participatory Budgeting	March 2024
			Work in partnership to increase opportunities for community representation/participation across WD	June 2024
			Increase citizen awareness of and engagement with opportunities to volunteer in the civic life of WD	June 2024

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Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Extend the availability of and access to self-management activity to improve quality of life for residents living with long term health conditions (Wellbeing/Empowerment)	June 2024	WDCVS	Establish linkages with national intermediaries	Dec 2023
			Promote 2024 calendar of Dementia Friendly WD awareness sessions	Dec 2023
			Raise awareness of the Ask ACCESS hub service	Jan 2024
			Create a self-management service directory	Feb 2024
			Hold assembly session	May 2024

Local Outcome: Carers are supported to address their needs

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Actions on poverty, food and fuel insecurity are well coordinated and sustainable across WD (Sustainability/Wellbeing/Empowerment)	March 2024	Stephen Brooks/ Elaine Troup (WDC)	Financial scam awareness programme developed	Nov 2023
			Increase dedicated Benefit Maximisation activity for carers and those they care for	Dec 2023
			Map existing provision of community based free period products	Jan 2024
			Work with partners to increase community-based premises stocking free period products	Mar 2024
			Financial scam awareness session publicised and delivered	Mar 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Explore and develop an Age Friendly West Dunbartonshire strategy (Empowerment)	June 2024	David Robertson	Scoping and direction-setting sessions held	Sept 2023
			Action areas identified and agreed	Dec 2023

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		(WDCVS)/ Age Well Forum	Consultation survey completed	March 2024
			Publication of draft strategy	May 2024

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Action Plan 2022-2025

Improved community justice outcomes ensure West Dunbartonshire is a safe and inclusive place to live

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Reduce Traffic and traffic speeds in the community. Improve traffic management and design and prioritise parking for those with no other options.	March 2026	Partnership Superintendent Police Scotland	Develop and implement parking education campaign and increase parking enforcement.	August 2025
			Develop and implement a road safety campaign.	May 2024

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Reduce youth offending and re-offending.	December 2025		Develop opportunities to support young people and reduce youth offending / reoffending.	December 2025
		ADP Lead Officer	Support the implementation of Planet Youth by ensuring there are a wide range of leisure and physical activity opportunities based on the survey findings.	March 2026
			Work with the Children's Reporter and EEI Coordinator to ensure youth offending is followed up appropriately with suitable interventions to prevent a repeat of the offending behaviour.	October 2025
			Once the new communities structure is in place, carry out targeted outreach in hotspot areas identified by the ASBTF.	December 2025

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Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Deliver improved access to on-line spaces for all.	January 2026		Establish additional, accessible community hubs which provide on-line access facilities.	December 2025
			Deliver Experiential learning partnership event that focuses on community safety issues highlighted with in DIG plan to all P7 pupils across authority.	June 2025
			Promote the availability of free courses around computer literacy.	June 2024
			Promote the availability of an online platform (padlet) with information and signposting information re community safety issues.	February 2025

Local Outcome: All partners deliver early and effective interventions targeted at reducing the impact of domestic abuse

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestone	Milestone Due
Reduce Domestic offending and re-offending within West Dunbartonshire	March 2025	Laura Smith	Deliver Domestic Abuse education to children and young people across West Dunbartonshire.	June 2024
			Justice Social Work staff to complete the Caledonian system training programme to allow delivery of the Domestic Abuse perpetrator programme as an available disposal.	June 2024
			Ensure appropriate sign posting to support agencies is in place for victims of domestic abuse.	January 2024
			Highlight and share the work of the Violence Against Women and Girls (VAWG) group by sharing on-line content and raise awareness of their work.	December 2024
			Increase awareness of Third Party Reporting centres to increase reporting of domestic abuse through training and education.	March 2024

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Local Outcome: Residents live in positive, health promoting local environments where the impact of alcohol and drugs is addressed

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Reduce the harms caused by addiction in West Dunbartonshire.	December 2025	ADP Lead Officer	Support the implementation of the substance use prevention group.	October 2024
			Support the introduction of the Daniel Spargo Mabbs Foundation production into educational establishments across West Dunbartonshire.	May 2024
		All	Members of the Safe DIG to share on-line content posted by the Alcohol and Drug Partnership (ADP) to raise awareness of the ADP's work and to educate communities across West Dunbartonshire.	March 2026

Local Outcome: Our residents are supported to improve their emotional and mental health and wellbeing

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Seek buy-in from CPP to participate in promoting the benefits of safe and accessible cycle routes across West Dun.	December 2025		Develop and implement a communication campaign to promote active travel and tackle the perception of safety within communities	June 2025
			Promote access to bicycles for all members of the community and provision of secure bike parking and the bike marking scheme.	June 2024
			All partners to promote public transport through social media channels.	June 2024
			Have governance around improved CCTV coverage of active travel routes.	December 2024

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Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Ensure everyone can access a range of high quality, safe, well maintained, accessible community spaces, including green spaces and water based spaces.			Promote shared multifunctional spaces and community assets which support intergenerational connection, support health and strengthen communities.	
			Promote additional spaces where communities can access community food growing opportunities.	
			Promote additional good quality natural spaces that support biodiversity, are well connected, well designed, safe and accessible for local communities.	
			Deliver water safety education and activities, ensuring communities can access water based spaces are accessible and safe.	
			Support the implementation of the CPWD Suicide Prevention Group - Location of Concern Activities.	

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Everyone can safely and easily move around West Dunbartonshire.		Police Scotland & BTP	Reduce / prevent anti-social behaviour on the public transport & active travel network through increased Police and BTP patrols across the network and through encouraging increased reporting by the public.	
			Improved CCTV coverage of active travel and public transport network to improve the feeling of safety.	
			Improve access to public transport for communities and individuals.	

Title	Due Date	Assigned to	Milestones	Milestone Due
Work with the Empowered DIG and Nurtured DIG to deliver improved volunteering			All members of the group to share and promote volunteering activities identified through West	

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opportunities in West Dunbartonshire.			Dunbartonshire Community & Volunteering Services (CVS).	
			All members to identify any opportunities within the community where volunteering or community participation will add value.	



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Development and Improvement Groups (DIGs): Highlights and Issues Report

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Name of DIG	Flourishing Delivery and Improvement Group (DIG).
Date of report	17/10/2023
Name and email of lead contact	Peter Barry

1	Highlights of activity and progress since last meeting
<p>Regeneration</p> <p>Dumbarton</p> <p>Levelling Up Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glencairn House works out to tender for construction, deadline mid-November. • Connecting Dumbarton contract underway since May with a 5 month programme. • Design Team progressing the development of the Artizan Redevelopment Masterplan. • Public Consultation concluded on 9 October 2023. Two public consultation events took place on 24th August and 28th September, and Elected Members Briefing (part of the pre-application framework) took place on 9 October. • A Report will be submitted to Infrastructure, Regeneration and Economic Development Committee on 1 November. • Demolition of units to rear expected to commence in November. <p>Alexandria</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Restoration of Smollett Fountain underway. Traffic management less intrusive than at first stage works. • Discussions on a potential Business Improvement District ongoing, Officers are supporting the traders in completing the Application for seedcorn funding. 	

- Shared Prosperity Funded shopfront improvement grants applications being received however progress is slower than anticipated. The businesses struggle with providing the required evidence.

Clydebank

Queens Quay District Heating Network

- Legal and commercial discussions regarding the West College Scotland connection ongoing
- Following the preparation of a new business plan for the network, Golden Jubilee Hospital has secured funding to make the adaptations necessary in the hospital and hotel estate; Council has applied for funding towards network infrastructure costs
- First phase of works to connect a further 46 Clydebank Housing Association flats on Dumbarton Road underway

Town Centre

- Planning application for the Clydebank Canal-side Activities Centre progressing.
- £20M UK Government funding announced for Clydebank Town Centre

Exxon

- Planning application expected to go to Committee in November
- Council officers continue to seek additional funding from City Region to contribute towards the costs of the project.
- Contractual information being produced for presentation to Council so that the project can start on site early 2024.
- Stage 1 application for Scottish Government Vacant and Derelict Land Fund for greenspace and footpaths on the site was successful; Stage 2 application will be submitted in November.

Scottish Marine Technology Park

- Council continuing to work with the Malin Group to support the relocation of their business to Carless and to help with the identification of additional funding for land remediation
- Planning application delayed due to negotiations with SEPA on flooding issues
- Work complete on the flood mitigation project, and Malin Group have appointed a designer for the Quayside, both of which are being funded by Clyde Mission and the Council, the latter being subject to a further development agreement.

Business Support

- There has been a lot of interest and applications are now being received for the business grants funded through the UK Shared Prosperity Fund. This includes a Recovery & Growth grant, Early Stage Growth grant, Working

Towards Net Zero grant & Enhancing West Dunbartonshire's Tourism Events & Attractions grant.

- A Food & Drink Challenge Fund is being developed in partnership with the Working4Business group which will provide a competitive grant of up to £5,000 to food and drink manufacturers and producers that can evidence potential growth projects which will create local jobs.
- Discussions are continuing with Glasgow City Region and other local authorities regarding the business consultation process for the new Glasgow City Region Investment Zones.
- Working in partnership with Glasgow City Region and Strathclyde University to provide businesses with green business advice through the development of carbon baseline assessments. This support will be funded through UK Shared Prosperity Fund. The start date for referrals is now expected to be late October due to a delay in finalising the grant agreement with Strathclyde University.
- The action plan for the Economic Development Strategy 2022-2027 is currently being finalised and will go for approval to IRED Committee meeting on 1 November 2023.

City Region/Scottish Government/UK Levelling Up

- Glasgow City Region will be one of two Investment Zones in Scotland and as a result will benefit from a package of funding and tax relief measures estimated to be worth £80M over 5 years. The details of the offer will be co-produced by City Region and Member Authorities, Scottish Government and UK Govt (DHLUC). Ideas and outline bids for sectors and sites that may benefit from the Investment Zone is being considered by each Member Authority of the City Region.

Employability/Learning/Income Maximisation

- Working4U is responsible for delivering services that help people to address the barriers that prevent them from considering work as an option; improve their skill sets and secure employment. This rests on input from employability (*Work*), community learning (*Learn*) and debt/benefit support (*Money*) services.
- In 22/2023 Working4U provided *work, learning and money* support for over 9,000 people. Of those:
 - 373 people were supported through apprenticeships and in work progression;
 - 1,469 to enter education or training;
 - 756 people were supported to gain a qualification;
 - 420 people were supported (against a target of 400) secured employment.
- Community learning and development services contributed to this success by providing access to community-based learning that focussed on the most marginalised people/families in our community. This included support for:
 - Adult/Youth Literacies;
 - Community-based vocational courses;

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Digital Learning; ○ ESOL; and ○ Family Learning. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Working4U debt and benefit support services assisted residents to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Manage £1.88m of debt; ○ Secure £8.12m of benefit entitlements. • Collectively these services are addressing poverty and disadvantage by supporting people to increase income through work and benefit entitlement, reduce their cost of living and address barriers to work and learning opportunities. • West Dunbartonshire Council is the lead agency for the management and delivering services. Grants have been distributed to private and Third sector organisations to support the No One Left Behind and UK Shared Prosperity aims. • Since April we have established the processes for the use of No One left Behind funds (Scottish approach to the delivery of employability services) and UK Shared Prosperity Funds. • UK Shared prosperity provides funding that prioritises activity around <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Community and Place (Community Team – addressing perceptions of crime and community empowerment); ○ Supporting Local Business (grants to develop and grow business and innovation); ○ People and Skills (employability support); ○ Multiply (developing basic skills in maths among residents and workforce). • In the forthcoming period we will continue to work with partners through the Local Employability Strategic group, Adult Learning Partnership and Information and Advice partnership to co-ordinate activities that will support people to maximise income, reduce costs and overcome barriers to opportunity.

2	Outline of any issues/risks and how these are being managed
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Regeneration

Inflation and rising costs are a challenge in project delivery. We are looking at adjusting scope to make projects affordable, or seeking additional funding where possible.

Tight timescales associated with external funding pose a challenge to project delivery. We are seeking support from external consultants where appropriate, and work collaboratively with other teams to identify solutions.

Business Support

A delay in finalising the Extend Plus grant agreement with Strathclyde University has led to a delay in referring businesses for carbon baseline assessments. The

team have compiled a waiting list for businesses and will start making referrals as soon as we have confirmation of a start date.

Employability

The risks for the employability service centres on the ability to secure reliable external training providers capable of delivering services in the local area. We are managing this by providing each grant recipient with a key contact and providing them with the opportunity to identify delivery challenges at an early stage.

3 | Outline of the main outputs expected before next meeting

Regeneration

- Alexandria, Smollet Fountain renovation – project completed
- Clydebank, Activity Centre – planning permission anticipated. Delivery contract progressed and timescales confirmed.
- Dumbarton, Artizan – demolition contract underway
- Dumbarton, Artizan – IRED Report submitted and approved, design development works progressed
- Exxon Full Business Case approved by City Region in readiness for contract signed by November, following planning permission
- SMTP – application anticipated to be submitted by Malin Group

Business Support

- Start making business referrals to Strathclyde University to receive carbon baseline assessments which is aimed to be available from October 2023.
- Continuing to promote the new business support programmes within the UK Shared Prosperity Fund.
- Finalise the application process and eligibility criteria for the Food and Drink Challenge Fund
- Finalise and receive committee approval for the Economic Development Strategy 2022-2027 Action Plan

Employability

- Working4U has continued to manage grant support services and deliver *Work, Learn, Money* activities and from April to September we have assisted 4,425 people: Of these we have
 - Assisted 300 people through apprenticeships and in-work progression;
 - Supported 565 into education and training;
 - 365 have gained a qualification;
 - 198 have secured employment.

- In addition we have:
 - Assisted people to secure £4.18m of additional benefits; and
 - Manage £627,181 of debt.
- As such, we have achieved the targets to date for these activities (September) and are on-track to achieve our targets for the year.

4 | What are your requirements of partners in the Community Planning Management Board to achieve the outcomes of the DIG?

Placemaking

Good placemaking will continue to underpin the regeneration, development and improvement work in the town centres as we aim to align funding and resources, with Council, DIG partners and external funding, to achieve our ambitions.

Business Support

The on-going commitment and support from the community partners will help to maximise the impacts of the business support activity being developed and implemented through the Flourishing DIG. This will assist with reinforcing our efforts to develop a strong local economy that will provide access to opportunity for all in West Dunbartonshire.

Employability

We will continue to deliver the NOLB, Parental Employability support programmes and UK Shared prosperity activity. We will continue to work in partnership through the Adult Learning Partnership and local employability partnership. We ask the partners to continue with their contribution to the local employability group by attending or sending representation where appropriate to the strategic group; the creative design group (service providers) and the frontline community of interest. These groups are making a positive contribution to identifying and addressing challenges in West Dunbartonshire.

5 | Please outline any good news story you wish to share

Employability

A group of adult learners from West Dunbartonshire have been recognised nationally for their work to raise the profile of adult learning opportunities in the area.

The West Dunbartonshire Learners' Voice (WDLV) group won an award at the Adult Learners' Week Awards which celebrated achievements in community based adult learning.

The group – made up of learners and volunteers attending courses run by the Council's Working4U Adult Learning and Literacies team – were praised for their resilience and commitment to promoting the voice of learners through their weekly meetings.



The Working4U Jobs Fair on Tuesday 3rd October 10am-12pm at Clydebank Town hall was attended by 209 local residents looking for support with their employability skills and access to learning opportunities. Attendees had the opportunity to speak to 25 employers who had live vacancies as well as W4U Employability staff and partners to find out about jobs, training, qualifications and how to register for support. The event was considered to be a success and future events are planned for the forthcoming period.

Regeneration

Clydebank has just been announced as a beneficiary of £20M of UK Government's next tranche of Levelling Up Fund for "overlooked" towns, which is welcome news. Further guidance is awaited from UK Government, but the indication is that the predominantly capital funding will be available over a 10 year period and can be used to support a range of town centre measures. In 2021 the Council approved a Development Framework for Clydebank Town Centre which will be a helpful guide for decisions about investment.

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Development and Improvement Groups (DIGs): Highlights and Issues Report

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Name of DIG	Independent DIG
Date of report	Update report
Name and email of lead contact	Fiona Taylor, Head of Health and Community Care Fiona.taylor2@ggc.scot.nhs.uk

1	Highlights of activity and progress since last meeting
All 4 local outcomes have leads attached and milestones identified. Next meeting in January 24 will focus on progress to achieve these milestones.	

2	Outline of any issues/risks and how these are being managed
No risks identified.	

3	Outline of the main outputs expected before next meeting
<p>Linking with the national PoA awareness raising, it's expected that members of the DIG will raise awareness across their staff groups to enable PoA discussions – both as staff and also with service users.</p> <p>Development of pathways for older people to access exercise classes run by the Leisure Trust (inclusive of those in Care Homes).</p> <p>Identification of community links to enable inreach to communities to start a dialogue around 'self care'- what this means for citizens.</p> <p>Develop the additionality the DIG can bring to the Dementia Strategy work already underway, linking that with the DIG strategic driver to have a better informed population and cultivate a self-care approach</p>	

4	What are your requirements of partners in the Community Planning Management Board to achieve the outcomes of the DIG?
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5	Please outline any good news story you wish to share
No specific good news story from this meeting.	



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Name of DIG	Empowered
Date of report	20 October 2023
Name and email of lead contact	Selina Ross selina@wdcvs.com

1	<p>Highlights of activity and progress since last meeting</p> <p>The draft 2023-25 Action Plan has been completed and is presented for Board comment and agreement.</p> <p>The plan supports three new important pieces of collaborative empowerment activities underpinned by local third sector forums, expanding the level of sector engagement in the community planning agenda.</p> <p>As detailed in the West Dunbartonshire Volunteering Strategy, work has commenced exploring how best to make local volunteering more inclusive. Following discussion at the September meeting of the InVOLve Forum (Volunteer Engaging Organisations), a short life working group has been formed to progress initial thinking and proposals.</p> <p>Working with and through the Walking Friendly West Dunbartonshire Forum, plans are in place to support the establishment of a comprehensive health walk programme across the authority area. Post Covid, there has been a substantial interest in health walks as a mean of increasing physical activity and addressing loneliness and isolation at low cost. This will include a renewed mapping and gap analysis to identify additionality, roll out of improved strength and balance options and progressing materials to promote wider accessibility. https://wdcvs.com/social-walks/</p> <p>The Age Well Forum, bringing together organisations with a remit to support living well into older age, has commenced work to explore the development of an Aging Well Strategy. Initial scoping and direction setting sessions have taken place, attended by 30 local community and third sector organisations, generating a range of possible action areas to be considered through a series of additional forum meetings. A consultative survey will also take place in Spring 2024. https://wdcvs.com/networking-forums/</p>
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2	Outline of any issues/risks and how these are being managed
No current issues or risks to report	

3	Outline of the main outputs expected before next meeting
The Community Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund opened on 29 th September with the grant application panel due to meet in January 2024.	

4	What are your requirements of partners in the Community Planning Management Board to achieve the outcomes of the DIG?
No current requests	

5	Please outline any good news story you wish to share

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Name of DIG	Safe DIG
Date of report	11 th October 2023
Name and email of lead contact	Supt Lorna Gibson, (lorna.gibson2@scotland.police.uk)

1	<p>Highlights of activity and progress since last meeting</p> <p>The SWLG have now met and the Action Plan has moved forward and milestones have been decided which were presented to the group. All members have been consulted and have agreed to review which partner is best placed to achieve the milestones and present back to the group to enable the Action Plan to be presented to the WDCP in November.</p> <p>Operation Moonbeam – Bonfire Night Safety was discussed with SFRS stating they have already begun visiting schools along with Police to promote safety and ASB around this time of year. Firework control zones will not be implemented this year however a data gathering process will take place in order to develop this going forward next year.</p> <p>The Prevention & Interventions Team are now fully staffed which will lead to more partnership working going forward.</p> <p>The team are in the process of designing a crime seminar to hold in the Clydebank Shopping Centre leading up to the festive period to encourage shop owners to engage, offer prevention advice and give uniform presence in the location to boost the ongoing action plan with partners.</p> <p>WD Housing lead will work with Safe DIG partners to develop the tenants newsletter to include preventative messages leading up to the winter months especially in terms of flooding of empty properties, frozen pipe issues. Will also include which agency to contact in case of emergency.</p> <p>The new Chief Constable in PS has now made her pledge which includes partnership working being very high up on her agenda.</p>
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There has been a lot of positive engagement with the local shopkeepers and retailers around shoplifting and ASB. Bespoke crime prevention advice has been given and very well received.

The MSP for drugs and alcohol visited the community team, mobile unit and Planet Youth and she was very impressed with what she saw.

Drug, alcohol and suicide deaths are currently showing a reduction which is encouraging.

SFRS are pushing to increase membership in the PAWS group and to look at electing another chair moving forward.

2 | Outline of any issues/risks and how these are being managed

Financial cuts and restraints have taken place across WD council leading to some posts becoming streamlined.

No reduction of services at this time.

Superintendent Gibson is moving on therefore this is her last Safe DIG. Her replacement is yet to start in post however the Super will remain as SPOC for the Safe DIG until he comes on board.

3 | Outline of the main outputs expected before next meeting

All partners to consider joining in the PAWS group and who may be best placed to undertake the Chair role.

4 | What are your requirements of partners in the Community Planning Management Board?

All partners to consider which “milestone” from the Action Plan sits best with which partner and to update the group

5 | Please outline any good news story you wish to share

The Action Plan is looking positive and includes the issue relevant to the Safe DIG. All members have had an input and continue to do so.

West Dunbartonshire Area Commander Ryan McMurdo has been confirmed in his rank of Chief Inspector and remains in post having an overview of all local policing activity in West Dunbartonshire. We have also welcomed a further 14 new probationers to Argyll & West Dunbartonshire Policing Division. At the end of August, our new officers have spent a week at our Headquarters in Dumbarton preparing to be deployed to local policing teams across the division.

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