

Agenda

Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board

Date: Wednesday, 28 September 2022

Time: 14:00

Format: MS Teams

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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
Councillor Craig Edward
Peter Hissett, Chief Executive, West Dunbartonshire Council
Beth Culshaw, Chief Officer of West Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership (WD HSCP)
Laura Mason, Chief Education Officer, West Dunbartonshire Council
Peter Barry, Chief Officer – Housing and Employability, West Dunbartonshire Council
Fiona Taylor, Health and Social Care Partnership (WD HSCP)
John Anderson, Manager, West Dunbartonshire Leisure Trust
Liz Connolly, Principal, West College Scotland
Elizabeth Dean, Department of Works and Pensions
Lorna Gibson, Superintendent, Police Scotland
Jimmy Hyslop, Operations Manager, Scottish Natural Heritage
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

Amanda Graham, Chief Officer, Citizens, Culture, & Facilities
Rona Gold, Community Planning Manager (Shared Service)

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

Date of Issue: 15 September 2022

COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE MANAGEMENT BOARD**WEDNESDAY, 28 SEPTEMBER 2022****AGENDA****1 WELCOME****2 APOLOGIES****3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

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

4 RECORDING OF VOTES

The Board is asked to agree that all votes taken during the meeting be done by roll call vote to ensure an accurate record.

5 MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 5 - 7

Submit for approval as a correct record, the Minutes of Meeting of the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board held on 21 June 2022.

6 ACTION LOG 9

Rona Gold, report author.

7 MEMBERS OF THE SCOTTISH YOUTH PARLIAMENT (MYSPs) Verbal

Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (MYSPs), pre-recorded video update.

8 DYW WEST PRESENTATION Verbal

Bob Davidson, verbal update.

9	CONSULTATION ON STRATEGIC PLAN	Verbal
	Rona Gold, verbal update.	
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	Beth Culshaw, report author.	
12	JOINT CHILDREN SERVICES ACTION PLAN	To Follow
	Beth Culshaw, report author.	
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COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Tuesday, 21 June 2022

Present:

Councillor Martin Rooney (Chair)
 Councillor Michelle McGinty
 Councillor Craig Edward
 Joyce White
 Amanda Graham
 Laura Mason
 Peter Barry
 Lesley James

Fiona Taylor

John Binning

Gordon Boyle
 Liz Connolly
 Lucy Dunbar
 Jimmy Hyslop
 Sharon Kelly
 Janice Kennedy
 Joe McKay
 Paula Potter
 Damon Scott

Coleen Wylie

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 Scottish Fire and Rescue
 West College Scotland
 Argyll & Bute Council
 Nature Scot
 Skills Development Scotland
 Scottish Enterprise
 Scottish Fire and Rescue
 Department for Work and Pensions
 Dunbartonshire Chamber of
 Commerce
 Police Scotland

Apologies:

Beth Culshaw

Rona Gold

Anne McDougall
 (Vice-Chair)
 Barry Colvan
 Catherine Topley
 Selina Ross
 James Russell
 Gerry Watt
 Mark Wilson

West Dunbartonshire Health and
 Social Care Partnership
 Shared Service, Community
 Planning, Argyll & Bute Council
 Chair of Community Alliance

Scottish Fire and Rescue
 Scottish Canals
 West Dunbartonshire CVS
 Skills Development Scotland
 Scottish Prison Service
 Police Scotland

Councillor Martin Rooney in the Chair

STATEMENT BY CHAIR

Councillor Martin Rooney, Chair, welcomed everyone to the June meeting of the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board.

Councillor Rooney informed the Board that this was the last meeting which Joyce White, Chief Executive would attend before her retirement. On behalf of the Board, Councillor Rooney thanked Joyce for her work and diligence as interim Chair, leading the Executive Group and for her support, dedication and commitment over the years.

Other Members of the Board were heard in similar terms and wished Joyce well in her retirement.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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

RECORDING OF VOTES

The Board agreed that all votes taken during the meeting would be done by roll call vote to ensure an accurate record.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The Minutes of Meeting of the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board held on 3 February 2022 were submitted and approved as a correct record.

ACTION LOG

After discussion and having heard from the Chief Officer – Citizen, Culture and Facilities, the Board agreed the action log would be updated to reflect additional actions following the meeting.

COMMUNITY PLANNING EXECUTIVE GROUP

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

- (1) to note that levelling up synergies with Flourishing DIG would be considered;
- (2) to note that Laura Mason would be Exec Group lead and CPWD lead reporting on implications from Children's Services perspective and Fiona Taylor from an Adult Services perspective on the National Care Service proposals; and

- (3) to note that a Community Planning 'Communications, e-bulletin' would be produced from July 2022 including information on partner activity for members of the CPWD Management Group and people within their organisations.

COMMUNITY JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

After discussion and having heard the Head of Children's Health, Care and Justice Services in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed to note the report.

SCOTLAND LOVES LOCAL: GIFT CARD SCHEME

After discussion and having heard Damon Scott, Dunbartonshire Chamber of Commerce in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed to note the report.

DELIVERY IMPROVEMENT GROUP (DIG) UPDATES

- (a) Flourishing – Peter Barry
- (b) Independent – Fiona Taylor
- (c) Nurtured – Laura Mason
- (d) Empowered – Selina Ross
- (e) SAFE – Coleen Wylie

Having heard the relevant DIG Chairs and supporting officers in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed to note the updates provided and the position going forward in terms of each DIG area.

The meeting closed at 12.05 p.m.

	Complete		In Progress		Outstanding	
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Date Set	Action	Who	Required by Date	Status
21.06.2022	Invite West Dunbartonshire Members of the Scottish Youth Parliament (MSYPs) to CPWD Board Meeting in 2022.	Rona Gold/ Clare English	November 2022	Complete
21.06.2022	Launch of E-Bulletin to share partnership news within the Community Planning Management Board	Rona Gold/ Amanda Graham	1 September 2022	Complete
21.06.2022	All members consider signing up to the Young Persons Guarantee	All partners of the Community Planning Management Board	28 September 2022	In Progress



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

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

Management Group: 28 September 2022

Subject: Community Planning Executive Group

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to inform CPWD members of what was discussed at the most recent Community Planning Executive Group meeting.

2. Recommendations

2.1 CPWD is asked to note:

- There has been a change to the chair of the Safer Development and Improvement Group (DIG) as Coleen Wylie, Chief Inspector - Local Area Commander, Police Scotland has moved post.
- Partnership working on Community Justice and on the Joint Children's Services Action Plan be regularly reported within Community Planning – through either Executive Group or Management Board – to ensure oversight and understanding of partners as to the requirements within these for Community Planning.
- The annual report for Community Planning West Dunbartonshire 2021-22 is being prepared and will come to the Management Board at its meeting in November.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Community Planning Executive Group met on 15 August 2022. The group is chaired by the Council's Chief Executive, and membership includes the five DIG leads.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** This was the first meeting chaired by the new Chief Executive of the Council: Peter Hessem. It was also the first meeting of Ryan Mcmurdo of Police Scotland, Ryan introduced himself as replacing Coleen Wylie of Police Scotland and as the chair of the Safer Development and Improvement Group (DIG).
- 4.2** The three over-arching themes for each DIG plan are: Sustainability, Wellbeing and Empowered. DIG plans have or are in process of being reviewed to reference the three over-arching themes. Laura Mason, the DIG Lead for 'Nurtured' reported that the three themes were considered at an Education Leaders Conference on 17 June, and that they are integral to the Nurtured DIG plan.
- 4.3** It was recognised that the partnership working on Community Justice and on the Joint Children's Services Action Plan be regularly reported within Community Planning – through either Executive Group or Management Board – to ensure oversight and understanding of partners as to the requirements within these for Community Planning.
- 4.4** The Executive Group received an update from the Community Planning Shared Service Manager that the e-bulletin for partners would be launched from start September, and that work was underway to collate information for the 2021/22 Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Annual Report.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** Actions developed to address the over-arching themes, Community Justice and Joint Childrens Services Action Plan may require other partner organisations to join specific working groups.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1** The work of Community Planning Executive Group is focused on improving processes and approaches to how partners work together. The creation of actions may identify resource needs to implement these.

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 Hissett. Chair, CPEG
02 September 2022

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Appendices:	N/A
Background Papers:	Previous reports to Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board on Executive Group activity.
Wards Affected:	All



Report by the Chief Officer - Housing and Employability

Management Group – September 2022

Subject: Flourishing DIG Update

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to update members on the development and delivery of activity being undertaken under the auspices of the Flourishing Delivery and Improvement Group (DIG).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** The Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Group is asked to note the work undertaken.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Flourishing DIG action plan supports the local outcomes ensuring:
- Our economy is flourishing diverse and dynamic, creating opportunities for everyone

- Our local communities are sustainable and attractive
- Increased and better quality learning & employment opportunities
- Enhanced quality and availability of affordable housing options

- 3.2** This report provides members with an update on the key activity undertaken during the operational year to date.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** The COVID Pandemic recovery and Cost of Living Crisis has been the focus of the Flourishing Delivery and Improvement Group (DIG) partners over the last period and will continue to be a

priority as we support our communities and businesses in returning the local economy back into a growth phase.

- 4.2** The Flourishing DIG fully recognises the challenge of the climate emergency and will ensure a clear focus on green jobs and a green economic recovery to the COVID pandemic. The Council's Climate Change Action Plan can provide a foundation for discussion and development of ideas amongst DIG partners in the coming period.
- 4.3** The CPWD Executive Group agreed the key underpinning themes that will inform our future work. The three themes are Sustainability, Wellbeing and community empowerment. The Flourishing DIG will ensure that its action plan explicitly or implicitly reflects these themes and ensure that all partners play their role.

5. Employability

- 5.1** Working4U and partners have been developing a new approach to the delivery of local employability service called 'No One Left Behind' (NOLB). This has seen the development of the strategic employability partnership that includes representation from key agencies such as SDS and DWP, who are now working alongside Working 4U and local employability service providers to co-ordinate efforts for the benefit of local residents.
- 5.2** The local employability partnership has produced a plan to develop and manage employability services. The approach is based on a Scottish Approach to Service design and incorporates measures to ensure that service providers, staff, and service users can feed their views into the process of service design.
- 5.3** The strategic employability group is focused on the most effective use of grant funding for employability and has established a procurement framework to acquire services. We have complemented this with a competitive grant process that has allowed us to draw on a broader range of specialist service provision. The grant process generated interest from 17 organisations and of that group we have supported 14 with grants to deliver employability services and access to training in sectors where opportunities exist (care, hospitality, tourism, driving).
- 5.4** Over the last quarter emphasis has been placed on developing our contribution to the Regional Investment plan for the UK Shared Prosperity fund (UKSPF). The fund has a potential value of £3.8million for West Dunbartonshire and is centred on core investment principles. The core investment principles are:
- **Communities and Place** - to enable places to invest to restore their community spaces and relationships and create the foundations for

economic development and build resilient and safe neighbourhoods through targeted investment and crime prevention.

- **Supporting Local Business** – to enable places to fund interventions that support local businesses to thrive, innovate and grow. This includes visible improvements to local retail, hospitality and leisure sector facilities and targeted support for small and medium sized businesses to undertake new to firm innovation, adopt productivity enhancing energy efficient and low carbon technologies and techniques.
- **People and Skills** – to reduce the barriers some people face to employment and support them to move towards employment; reduce levels of economic inactivity through investment in bespoke intensive life and employment support tailored to local need; and provide skills development through a wider range of routes.

5.5 In West Dunbartonshire we have aimed to develop interventions in all three investment priority areas. We have established a sequential approach for identifying the appropriate mix of priorities that are consistent with the outputs and outcomes set out by the UKSPF guidelines. This approach prioritises and builds on existing commitments. This includes:

- Reviewing existing activity where continuity beyond European Structural fund end dates is an issue and identify what can be supported through UKSPF. For example the current employability service is delivered with European Structural Funds that end in June 2023;
- Review existing plan priorities and consulting with stakeholders and partners to identify eligible activity from those plan priorities that could be delivered within the budget constraints.

5.5 The funding in West Dunbartonshire will focus on all priorities with approximately £950,000 being invested in communities and place; 500,000 investment in business and 1.7m investment in people and skills. In addition, 672,000 will be focussed on improving numeracy rates in West Dunbartonshire.

5.6 The next step in the development of the UKSPF following UK Government endorsement of the plan will be to establish the methods for using the funds and establishing an appropriate monitoring framework

5.7 Meanwhile, in the first quarter of 2022/2023 we have supported 649 people to access employability services, with 100 securing employment. During that period 143 people have secured a qualification and 191 have entered education or training. In addition, we have assisted people to maximise income through benefits with approximately £2m of additional income being secured by people using our benefits advice service.

6. Business Support

- 6.1** Over the last couple of years COVID-19, Brexit, rising inflation and the energy crisis have all had and continue to have a significant impact on the economic climate and as a result the policy context at national and local level has had to change in order to address these economic challenges. This has led to an increased requirement for the development of a new Economic Development Strategy for the local area. A new Economic Development Strategy has therefore been developed which provides an updated economic vision and strategic priorities for West Dunbartonshire for a five year period from 2022-2027. This will replace the previous Economic Development Strategy 2015-2020 and will align with the Glasgow City Regional Economic Strategy and Scotland's National Strategy for Economic Transformation. A copy of the draft strategy and the feedback survey can be found at the following link:

[Economic Development Strategy | West Dunbartonshire Council \(west-dunbarton.gov.uk\)](https://www.west-dunbarton.gov.uk/economic-development-strategy)

- 6.2** A local Investment Plan has been developed for the UK Shared Prosperity Fund which has been submitted to the UK Government for their approval as part of a wider Glasgow City Region Investment Plan. UK Government have advised that we should hear in October/November whether the Investment Plan has been approved. The business support proposals within the Investment Plan include a Business Recovery & Growth fund, Early Stage Growth grants, Towards Net Zero Grant, Enhancing Tourism Events & Attractions Fund, Business Gateway Expert Help and Shopfront & Small Business Improvement Grants.
- 6.3** Since April 2022, the Business Support team have provided advice through Business Gateway to support approx. 100 new start-up businesses. Business Growth Advisers have also continued to work with established businesses to provide continued advice and grant support to help them to recover and grow. A Business Survey has been developed and sent out to local businesses that received grant support last year to provide additional information on the number of jobs created or sustained and also to provide an opportunity for businesses to provide feedback on what business support they think their business would benefit from in the future.
- 6.4** A High Growth Start-Up Challenge Fund has been developed in partnership with Working4Business partners and will provide funding of up to £5,000 to assist early stage businesses with growth potential to increase their turnover and create local jobs. This competitive fund will launch during September and Working4Business partners will assist with the approval process which will include the scoring of the applications and panel interviews.

- 6.5** The Scottish Government have confirmed additional funding to continue the delivery of the national Digital Boost Programme. The Digital Boost programme delivers Information and Communications Technology (ICT) advice to businesses across the country. A quick quote tender specification has been developed by West Dunbartonshire Council for both East Dunbartonshire and West Dunbartonshire Council areas for Phase 7 Digital Boost activity. Once the tender submissions have been scored the successful contractor will be appointed to work with local businesses by the end of September 2022.
- 6.6** The Working4Business group have agreed that the next Business Awards event will be held in May 2023. Dunbartonshire Chamber have indicated that they would like to be considered by the group to lead on the organisation of the event and are going to submit a formal proposal to the W4B group for their consideration by mid-September 2022.

7. Regeneration

- 7.1** Regeneration works across our towns continue with support from partners, in particular with the Chamber of Commerce as we promote the 'shop local' campaign. The Council signed up to the Shop Local Gift Card concordat, which, thanks to financial assistance from Scotlands' Towns Partnership (STP), was promoted and managed locally by the Chamber of Commerce, and discussions are ongoing on how this continues to be resourced as STP funding comes to an end.
- 7.2** As well as delivering projects that bring additional footfall to our town centres, we have taken a strategic approach to town centre regeneration. Alexandria Masterplan and Clydebank Town Centre Development Framework, together with the ambitious Dumbarton town centre proposals contained within our Levelling Up Fund programme, provide a long term vision for the reimagining our town centres against a backdrop of declining High Street retail. We continue to support and develop projects that improve and bring vibrancy to our town centres, including for example the new Canal-side Activities Centre in Clydebank town centre which will be delivered in 2023, and the now underway public realm and lighting enhancements to the Smollett Fountain in Alexandria to improve the setting and pedestrian activity around this important town centre feature. In Alexandria, this will be closely followed by the development of further Masterplan projects using Scottish Government's Place Based Investment Programme fund.
- 7.3** The West Dunbartonshire Energy centre has been operational since November 2020 delivering heat to The Leisure centre, Care Home, Titan Enterprise, and Aurora House. The District Heating network is performing well and the newly established West Dunbartonshire Energy LLP is overseeing its growth. The 147

Social Housing units on Titan Boulevard are connected and will be commissioned as flats are completed in August 2022. Clydebank Housing Association has also agreed to connect 45 flat units on Dumbarton Road. Plans continue to secure funding to connect West College Scotland, and the Golden Jubilee University Hospital, and agreement to connect the Clydebank Health Centre. The Council are also pursuing funding from the Scottish Government Green Growth Accelerator and Heat Network funds to enable expansion and connection to the Dalmuir multi story flats and officers continue to work with the Queens Quay landowners to bring in 1,000 new homes.

- 7.4** 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. The improvements we have delivered in the town centres over the past five years have been guided by placemaking and more recently, the move to creating 20 minute neighbourhoods - where people have their day to day needs provided within easy walking or cycling distance. For environmental and health & wellbeing reasons active and sustainable transport is now one of the regeneration priorities; Connecting Clydebank, Connecting Dumbarton and the proposed network of safe walking and cycle routes in Alexandria Masterplan will contribute to this ambition. Scottish Government's Place Based Improvement Programme funding will help us realise these ambitions over the next five years

- 7.5** Council secured £19.9m Levelling-Up Funding from UK government for an ambitious programme of regeneration of Dumbarton Town centre including the acquisition and remodelling of the Artizan shopping centre, the refurbishment and reuse of Glencairn House as central library and museum, and Connecting Dumbarton, which will see pedestrian and cycle links improved between train station and town centre. Connecting Dumbarton works will be delivered in 2023, Artizan Centre remodelling will be phased over a number of years. Planning Application for Glencairn House is expected to be submitted in September 2022. The City Deal Exxon project is progressing as planned as are the plans to convert the brownfield Carless site into a Scottish Marine Technology Park in co-operation with the Malin Group.

8. People Implications

- 8.1** There are no personnel issues.

9. Financial and Procurement Implications

- 9.1** There are no specific financial implications arising as a consequence of this report.

10. Risk Analysis

10.1 There are no specific unassessed risks relating to this report

11. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

11.1 Equalities Impact Assessments are carried out in all key action areas as required.

12. Consultation

12.1 Ongoing consultation activity with both providers and service recipients is undertaken allowing for flexibility of approach as needs throughout period of pandemic and as we recover.

13. Strategic Assessment

13.1 The contents of this report could impact on all community planning strategic priority areas.

13.2 The activity being developed and supported by the Flourishing DIG will continue to contribute and reinforce our efforts to develop a strong economy that provides access to opportunity for all in West Dunbartonshire.

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Background Papers:

Wards Affected: All



Report by Interim Head of Health and Community Care

Management Group: 28 September 2022

Subject: Independent Delivery and Improvement Group

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to summarise the current activity within West Dunbartonshire HSCP Independent Delivery and Implementation Group.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** It is recommended that the Board note the contents of this report.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Independent DIG works to a Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP) and the key local outcomes detailed in the LOIP are:
- People are supported to live independently
 - The quality of life for older people is improving

4. Main Actions

- 4.1** The Independent DIG met on the 11th July 2022 and the Chair provided feedback from the Community Planning Management Group
- 4.2** The DIG members were asked to consider the cost of living crisis as a priority issue within the key themes.
- 4.3** **Carers:** The 'Valued Carer' Launch Event will take place on Friday 29th July. The initiative will see carers registered with Carers of West Dunbartonshire organisation issued with a Valued Carer Card, unlocking discounts, promotions, and bespoke services specifically for unpaid carers.

Businesses who support this initiative will be offered Carer Awareness Training. The initiative is creating community relationships and raising awareness for unpaid carers, making West Dunbartonshire a Valued Carer area.

- 4.4 **Activity:** The group is progressing actions around activity for older people within Care Homes. There is an opportunity for appropriately trained Care Home staff to deliver Vitality class in a Home using online resources, and key DIG members attended met with Vitality staff and attended a session to allow them to share this with colleagues.

Subsequently, feedback from Independent Care Home providers is that they recognise the importance of providing opportunities for physical activity within their Homes, and utilise their in house Activity Co-ordinators to deliver this. It was felt therefore that there is no gap in service provision at this time.

Local Authority Residential Homes also have activity co-ordinators and are looking to use the Vitality resource within these homes.

- 4.5 **Activity:** The 'Live Active' programme is a programme commissioned by the Health Board across all HSCP's to provide a structured fitness programme for those who meet the referral criteria, with a discounted membership rate for 12 months.

A component of the initial triage by Live Active staff is to consider the impact of the cost of living, with links to Working 4U for those who may not be able to afford the membership fee.

Referral must be via a healthcare professional (usually a GP) however alternative referral pathways are being considered, along with current referral data with a view to monitoring these over a 12 month period.

- 4.6 **Digital Solutions:** Recent funding has been secured from 'Connecting Scotland' to provide iPads and data packages to targeted groups with an inequalities focused approach to reducing inequalities and empower people to take ownership of their health and wellbeing.

This funding will link with Improving the Cancer Journey, enhancing the health needs assessment process of those receiving this service. Further progress of this initiative will be reported via the LOIP.

- 4.7 The members of the DIG recognise that many of the staff within West Dunbartonshire HSCP and Local Authority are also citizens and the need to cascade all relevant initiatives across the local authority. Effective use of the eBulletin will help inform this process.

5. People Implications

- 5.1 Nil

6. Financial Implications

6.1 Nil

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 NA

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

8.1 NA

9. Consultation

9.1 NA.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 The LOIP will link with relevant HCSP / Local Authority Strategic action points

Person to Contact: Fiona Taylor

Background Papers: NA

Wards Affected:



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

Report by the Chief Education Officer

Management Group: 28 September 2022

Subject: Nurtured Delivery and Improvement Group (DIG)

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to:
- Update members on the work of the Nurtured Delivery and Improvement Group (DIG).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** Community Planning West Dunbartonshire is asked to:
- Note progress and focus of work.

3. Background

- 3.1** Through multi-agency planning, the Nurtured DIG aims to ensure:
- All West Dunbartonshire children have the best start in life and are ready to succeed and;
 - Families are supported in accessing education, learning and attainment opportunities and;
 - Improved life chances for all children, young people and families.
- 3.2** The Nurtured DIG aims reflect the ambitions of the Council's Integrated Children's Services Plan
- 3.3** Since March 2020 all Nurtured DIG engagement has been remote. This has proven effective and ensured the range of stakeholders has been able to attend.
- 3.4** Our Plan embeds the principles of Getting It Right for Every Child and ensures the United Nations Convention of Children's Rights is central to the development of our supports, services and engagement with all stakeholders.
- 3.5** Recent Scottish Government feedback on the ICSP notes:
- Areas of strength of the Plan
- Clear priorities, outcomes, and actions (linked to detailed plans)

- Measurable indicators closely aligned to SHANARRI with clear progress reporting measures
- Intention to involve children and young people directly in planning and budgeting process
- Current budget and some projections included (projections may have been unavailable at publication).

Areas where more support and development is needed

- Stronger links to National Performance Framework
- Additional information on strategic needs assessment
- Greater clarity on how engagement with young people informed the chosen priorities and aims
- Inclusion of baseline information for selected indicators.

Reflecting on this and findings of the recent Care Inspectorate Inspection of children at risk of harm, the ICSP and subsequent N.DIG Plan for 2022-23 is being reviewed and revised.

4. Main Issues

4.1 At time of writing, the Nurtured DIG Plan for session '22-'23 is currently being reviewed. It will reflect next steps in progressing our ICSP and recent developments nationally and locally. It is anticipated outcomes identified will address five main work streams: supporting mental health and wellbeing, the Getting It Right for Every Child (GIRFEC) refresh, the implementation of The Promise '21-24, Whole Family Wellbeing and Child Poverty Report. Members of the N.DIG will lead these work stream groups consisting of a range of partnership staff.

4.2 Council have been allocated funding to review, revise and improve approaches to supporting families, focussing on early help and intervention and aligning with key messages of The Promise. Guidance and support will be provided by Scottish Government in developing systems changes to approaches to Children's Services Planning. A framework for self-evaluation supports this and has been adopted. It will be used to develop our on-going self-evaluation and quality assurance processes. A set of prioritised topics of wellbeing outcomes has been shared and will be reflected in our annual measuring and reporting:

<https://www.gov.scot/publications/improving-outcomes-children-young-people-families-review-childrens-services-plans-2020-2023-strategic-engagement-activity/documents/>

4.3 The Nurtured DIG plays a significant role in contributing to the required action plan and monitoring emanating from the Joint Inspection of children at risk of harm. Progress is being made through the devised Action Plan and involves input and support from a range of N.DIG members. A series of Improvement Planning Sessions with the Care Inspectorate were undertaken and staff representative of the range of N.DIG partners will use knowledge gained and

expectations shared to implement collective improvements to systems and processes.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** There are no people implications as a result of this report. However, it is essential that partners re-align resource allocation and priorities to meet the needs of children, young people and families at this time.

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 service Budgets.

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 revised supports and guidance 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.

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Background Papers: CPD Nurtured DIG Report February 2022

Wards Affected: All



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

Report by Chair of the Empowered DIG

Management Group: 28 September 2022

Subject: Empowered DIG Update

1. Purpose

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update members on the progress of the Empowered DIG, outlining the core outcome areas of the 2022-24 workplan.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 The CPP Management Group is asked to
- Note the contents of the report and the work undertaken and planned.

3. Background

- 3.1 The Empowered DIG action plan spans three local outcomes: We live in engaged and cohesive communities; Citizens are confident, resilient and responsible and Carers are supported to address their needs.
- 3.2 Following recent discussions within the Management Board the group have adopted the agreed strategic themes - Empowerment, Sustainability and Wellbeing - to guide the development of the refreshed action plan.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1 Work continues to progress well across the 8 focussed areas of DIG activity. This report outlines the key developments during the last quarter.

Increased Rate of Volunteering (Empowerment)

- 4.2 Scotland's Volunteering Action Plan was formally launched by Cabinet Secretary, Shona Robison at the SCVO Gathering in June 2022. Under the auspices of the Volunteer Engagers Forum, action will be progressed during the autumn, to develop a complementary local plan, particularly addressing improving supply and demand and the volunteer experience.

- 4.3** Communication with a wide range of volunteer involving organisations highlights considerable sector concern around the possible implication of the growing cost of living challenges on volunteering activity. Inelastic budgets mean that while the need for volunteers is increasing, the capacity to meet the cost of volunteering e.g. travel expenses provision is not. Work is ongoing to link organisations with sources of external income and a funders fair is planned for later in the year.

Implementation of the CLD Action Plan (Empowerment)

- 4.4** The Community Learning and Development (Scotland) Regulations 2013 place a statutory requirement on local authorities to publish a CLD plan every three years. The current plan spanning the period 2021 – 2024, offers a commitment to work collaboratively to overcome the most significant issues facing our communities.
- 4.5** During the Spring of 2022, the Adult Learning Partnership, in collaboration of West Dunbartonshire CVS, made a successful application to the Scottish Government Community Based Adult Learning (CBAL) Recovery Fund for resources to:
- Increased engagement and support for adult learners and communities who need it most, including those disproportionately disadvantaged by COVID-19
 - Increased access to face to face learning opportunities with a focus on supporting educational, social and emotional recovery and renewal
 - Increased digital inclusion through the development of digital skills and the improvement of digital infrastructure for learning
 - Increased opportunities for adult learners to improve their health and well-being.
 - Stronger social connections between adult learners, their communities and wider networks to tackle isolation and loneliness.
 - Improved outcomes for adult learners through, for example, the achievement of qualifications and the provision of positive pathways that build confidence and develop skills for learning, life and work.
- 4.6** The West Dunbartonshire investment bid aligned resources to purchasing 'Classroom in a Box' resources to allow greater digital access across the authority, increasing the range of courses available and facilitating access via support for travel costs and neighbourhood level outreach.
- 4.7** Despite some delays due to equipment supply, the £39,000 fund has already successfully supported 116 adult learners.

Support to improve community mental health and wellbeing (Wellbeing)

- 4.8** Following the recent announcement of year 2 Community Mental Health and Wellbeing funding, work is underway to be ready to launch the £266,000 fund in October 2022.
- 4.9** The Fund, distributed by West Dunbartonshire CVS as the Third Sector Interface (TSI's), reflects the importance placed on community support as part of the overall mental health infrastructure. Applications to the fund can only be accepted from voluntary, 'not for profit' organisations, associations, groups and clubs or consortiums/partnerships which have a strong community focus for their activities.
- 4.10** In 2022-23, the fund will again have a focus on:
- Tackling priority issues within the Transition and Recovery Plan such as suicide prevention, social isolation and loneliness, prevention and early intervention
 - Addressing the mental health inequalities exacerbated by the pandemic and the needs of a range of 'at risk' groups locally
 - Supporting small 'grass roots' community groups and organisations to deliver such activities
 - Providing opportunities for people to connect with each other, build trusted relationships and revitalise communities
 - Supporting recovery and creativity locally by building on what is already in place.
- 4.11** Details of the communication and engagement plan are currently being finalised and a series of on-line awareness sessions for potential applicants will take place during September.

Oversight of Dementia Friendly West Dunbartonshire (Wellbeing)

- 4.12** Dementia Friendly West Dunbartonshire (DFWD), is a cross-sector authority wide initiative, commenced initially in 2015, providing a programme of community level awareness raising. Built on an active citizenship model, the initiative provides free awareness raising sessions for organisation and businesses across the authority area, in return for a pledge.
- 4.13** The 2022 refresh plan has moved apace during the last quarter and has seen:
- A re-development of the DFWD page on the WDCVS website, linking to session booking and general information
 - Work commence on a new suite of resources included Hints and Tips cards and business posters
 - Refresh of the DFWD Twitter account, managed by DFWD Steering Group members
 - Recruitment of 2 champion volunteers to work through previous contacts and offer refreshed sessions
 - Delivery of awareness training to 108 local residents.

- 4.14** External funding received from the Life Changes Trust, has also seen a successful Call Blocker initiative, reducing the prevalence of telephone financial scam calls for those most vulnerable. Partners in this initiative were Police Scotland, WDCVS and Lomond and Clyde Care and Repair.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** There are no personnel issues at this time

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1** There are no funding issues at this time.

7. Risk Analysis

- 7.1** There are no specific unassessed risks relating to this report

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

- 8.1** There are no specific EIA requirements relating to this report

9. Consultation

- 9.1** Ongoing consultation activity is taking place across both the DIG membership and the Chairs Group to ensure plans are complementary and offer added value.

10. Strategic Assessment

- 10.1** The contents of this report could impact on all community planning strategic priority areas.

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Background Papers:

Wards Affected: All



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

Report by Safe Delivery and Improvement Group Chair

Management Group : 28 September 2022

Subject: Safe Delivery & Improvement Group – Progress update – August 2022

1. Purpose

- 1.1** The purpose of this report is to update the members on the progress of local outcomes within the Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2017-2027 being delivered by the Safe Delivery and Improvement Group (DIG).

2. Recommendations

- 2.1** Community Planning West Dunbartonshire are asked to note the contents of this report.

3. Key Discussions

- 3.1** The most recent Safe DIG meeting was held on 30th August 2022 with Superintendent Lorna Gibson taking over as chair of the meeting from Chief Inspector Coleen Wylie who has been successful in a promotion out with the local policing division.

- 3.2** The August Safe DIG meeting, focussed on updates from partners around their recent activity with a focus on driving activity forward taking cognisance of Covid Recovery and the cost of living crisis which will impact on many aspects of community safety. Other core updates from the meeting were:

3.3 Local Outcome 1 - Anti-social behaviour/Violence

A revised policing model has been created in West Dunbartonshire which now has a dedicated Community Policing Team to provide high visibility and better connectivity with partners from an operational perspective. This has already seen positive results around the Dalmuir area where a dedicated action plan is in progress to tackle some key challenges. The Safe DIG recognised the benefit of this team linking in with Housing and the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership.

A multi-agency Wilful Fire-raising group has been formed to ensure a fully connected partnership approach is taken to tackling this issue. Whilst reported incidents have fallen since last year, there have been some more serious fires this year causing community concern. Stronger links with education have been developed with commitment to build 2 “Emergency Service” days per year into the curriculum. The first of these will be in Autumn and will cover fireworks, fire-raising, alcohol and drugs and anti-social behaviour. The second will take place in Spring and will cover water safety, personal safety, alcohol and drugs and anti-social behaviour. The target audience will be those in S1 and S2 with P7 being included where suitable. Police Community Engagement Team have arranged for crime prevention letters to go to all schools via education to help prevent vandalism and fire raisings. Derelict property owners will be lettered regarding their own responsibilities with regards to securing their properties. This will be extended to include vacant properties as SFRS have highlighted that vacant properties have more flammable substances within them.

An action taken at the August Safe DIG is for the current ASB strategy to be circulated for comment with the November Safe DIG Meeting dedicated to revising this in line with current challenges. Key to this is effective community engagement and reporting.

Estate walkabouts have been reintroduced with tenants/residents groups with a number of action plans ongoing. This will widen to include further partners to take a collective approach to target hardening communities to ensure better and more cohesive communities. There is also work ongoing to develop an ASB Handbook. The aim is for this to be tenant/resident focussed to provide an overview of services, possible action and contacts. This will be shared via social media and through various tenants and residents groups.

3.4 Local Outcome 1 - Tacking Substance related harms

The Mobile Harm Reduction Unit is currently live in West Dunbartonshire with local police officers being provided with familiarisation days at the unit. This is to ensure they have a good working knowledge of this and can better assist in signposting people to the unit who may be disengaged from services.

Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service are both progressing naloxone carriage by their officers. Whilst this will not assist non-opiate drug overdose, it is seen as a positive step to reducing stigma and enabling wider support to those most in need.

It was agreed to hold a wider discussion in relation to the Arrest Referral Scheme that has been operating in Clydebank custody suite due to ensure full use was being made of the funded posts aligned to this.

3.5 Local Outcome 1 - Caledonian Domestic Abuse Programme

Figures released in November 2021 indicate West Dunbartonshire as the second highest area for prevalence of Domestic Abuse in Scotland. National figures indicate 119 incidents of domestic abuse recorded by police per

10,000 population in 20-21. WDC sits at 168 per 10,000, an increase on the previous year from 150. Discussions throughout 21/22 have been held between Justice/Children and Families Services and the National Caledonian Team to bring the 1-1 programme to WDC. COVID has delayed this and we are now in a position to confirm WDC as one of the authorities in Scotland to host a court and non-court mandated 1-1 programme later in 2022. Police Scotland also provided that they have strict governance around bail checks in relation to domestic incidents to ensure compliance.

3.6 Local Outcome 2 - Partnership Approach to Water Safety (PAWS)

The PAWS group continues to be active with good representation from key partners/stakeholders. This has included days with the British Heart Foundation to include CPR training. The practical benefits of the school engagement programme were recognised during a water related incident in Luss. This saw a male in distress in the water being recognised by a school pupil who recalled the water safety input provided to him at school. The young male pupil managed to seek assistance resulting in the male in the water being rescued and air lifted to hospital, he has made a full recovery.

3.7 Local Outcome 3 – Fraud Prevention

Work continues to raise awareness of frauds and the impact this can have on the wellbeing of our communities. With an increase in frauds since the start of the Covid-19 pandemic, call blockers provided through funding from WDCVS have been installed at many addresses of vulnerable adults who have been receiving scam calls on their landlines. Members of the Safe DIG were encouraged to make referrals for call blockers to be installed if they were aware of any vulnerable adults that would benefit from this. In addition to this, due to recent bogus caller incidents, the Police Scotland Youth Volunteers have assisted in letter drops to affected areas to ensure crime prevention advice is provided.

4. People Implications

- 4.1** No, all activity is delivered through the existing teams of the Community Planning partners.

5. Financial Implications

- 5.1** There are no direct financial or procurement implications from the updates detailed in this report.

6. Risk Analysis

- 6.1** The responsibilities contained within the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 are fundamental to planning and delivery of better services. The partners' commitment to the Safe DIG is an acknowledgement that the importance of this work is recognised.

7. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

- 7.1** Whilst an EIA is not required for the focus of the Safe DIG, for each of the new outcomes agreed by the Safe DIG Partnership, these will be checked against the aspects of Equality, Wellbeing, Sustainability and Empowerment. It has also been agreed that EIA will be a standing agenda item for all Safe DIG meetings going forward.

8. Consultation

- 8.1** This is an update on areas of work relating to the current work of the Safe DIG. Consultation is carried out relevant to each project and initiative, as appropriate by the action lead/partner agency.

9. Strategic Assessment

- 9.1** This report confirms that the CPWD continues to deliver against the outcomes set in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan.

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Appendices: None

Background Papers: None

Wards Affected: ALL