



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

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

Management Group: 16 February 2023

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 the content.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Community Planning Executive Group met on 9 January 2023. The group is chaired by the Council's Chief Executive, and membership includes the five DIG leads.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Improvements

The Executive Group agreed ways in which it can support improvements to future meetings of the Management Board. From a number of options it was agreed that:

- Each Management Board meeting should focus on one of the three agreed over-arching themes: Sustainability, Wellbeing or Empowered and include in the agenda a presentation or discursive feature on the theme.
- The format of DIG reports be in a highlight style to help point Management Board members to key matters for awareness and scrutiny. Highlight reports will focus on the pre-agreed theme of the Management Board

meeting while also providing the opportunity for DIG Leads to raise more general matters.

4.2 Additions to Management Board meetings

Further to the improvements in 4.1 it was agreed useful to include on the agenda of future meetings items to enable information to come forward from partners on:

- Policy matters arising impacting community planning
- Planned engagement/ campaigns
- Partnership projects for oversight, e.g.
 - Community Justice Partnership Update
 - Joint Childrens Services Inspection Update

4.3 End of contract

The meeting also discussed the end of the contract, in place since February 2021, on community planning delivery in West Dunbartonshire by Argyll & Bute Council through a shared service agreement. The agreement will end on 28 February 2023. Arrangements are in place to enable a handover to those in the council carrying support to Community Planning forward.

The positive work of the shared service team was acknowledged by the group. It was noted that local authority work on Cristie and Best Value supports the concept of sharing services and that this example had positives which all reflected on.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** Actions developed to address the themes may require other partner organisations to join DIG 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 action 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.

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Appendices:	None
Background Papers:	Previous reports to Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Management Board on Executive Group activity.
Wards Affected:	All