

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

Management Group: 3 February 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:
 - Progress on the three overarching themes within DIG Action Plans
 - The improvement approach of including exception reporting from DIGs within future Executive Group meetings.
 - Inclusion of Community Planning within elected member information pack.

3. Background

3.1 The Community Planning Executive Group met on 20 December 2021. The group is chaired by the Council's Chief Executive, and membership includes the five DIG leads.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Progress with integration of three agreed 'over-arching themes' in DIG Plans

Following agreement on the three overarching themes (see below) at the CPWD meeting on 18 November, the Executive Group discussed approach and progress on integrating these themes into the action plans.

Three over-arching themes:

- **Sustainability** New thinking and innovative actions to address resource management and the climate emergency.
- Wellbeing New thinking and innovative actions to address physical, mental and economic wellbeing.
- **Empowered** New thinking and innovative actions to remove barriers and create conditions to ensure that all members of the community can play a role and make a difference in their communities.

To date there have been good discussions in DIG meetings on the three themes and this has resulted in the beginnings of ideas and actions. In some DIGs this has involved the full refresh of the action plan as it was timely to do so. It was noted that the Nurture DIG meeting was involved in an Inspection and this has delayed their approach to the three themes; this will be picked up in due course following the Inspection.

4.2 Improvements to meetings to help address issues arising at DIGs

The Executive Group agreed to a standing item in future meetings of 'exception reporting'. Time within future meetings will be given to discussing issues arising at DIGs which cannot be resolved within the DIG. This may include for example, resourcing actions.

4.3 Communicating Community Planning

It was noted that a communications plan would be developed following the development and incorporation of the three themes within the DIG action plans. In preparation for the elected member induction post-election it was agreed that the Community Planning Manager liaise with the team preparing this to ensure Community Planning is included.

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 CPEG 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

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activity.

Wards Affected: All