



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE MANAGEMENT BOARD

Thursday, 13 May 2021

Present:

Chief Superintendent John Paterson (Chair)
 Councillor John Mooney
 Joyce White
 Richard Cairns
 Angela Wilson
 Laura Mason
 Beth Culshaw
 Jo Gibson
 John Anderson
 LSO Joe McKay
 Liz Connolly
 Darren Dickson
 Selina Ross
 Coleen Wylie
 Douglas Wilson
 Jimmy Hyslop
 Sarah Waters

Police Scotland
 West Dunbartonshire Council
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 West Dunbartonshire Council
 West Dunbartonshire HSCP
 West Dunbartonshire HSCP
 West Dunbartonshire Leisure Trust
 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
 West College Scotland
 Scottish Government
 West Dunbartonshire CVS
 Police Scotland
 Police Scotland
 Scottish Natural Heritage
 COSLA

Also Attending:

Peter Barry
 Malcolm Bennie
 Margaret Jane Cardno
 Clare English
 Rona Gold

Samantha Somers

Nicola Reaney

Maureen Toal
 Damon Scott
 Sharon Kelly
 Janice Kennedy
 Laura Evans
 Michelle Runcie
 Scott Kelly
 Lynn Straker

West Dunbartonshire Council
 West Dunbartonshire Council
 West Dunbartonshire HSCP
 West Dunbartonshire Council
 Shared Service, Community
 Planning, Argyll and Bute Council
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 Planning, Argyll and Bute Council
 DWP West Scotland District
 Dunbartonshire Chamber
 Skills Development Scotland
 Scotent Representative
 Police Scotland
 DWP West Scotland Directory
 West Dunbartonshire Council
 West Dunbartonshire Council

Apologies:

John Binning
 Michael McGuinness
 Catherine Topley

SPT
 West Dunbartonshire Council
 Scottish Canals

Chief Superintendent John Paterson 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 held on 4 February 2021 were submitted and approved as correct record, subject to Beth Culshaw being moved from the list of those present at the meeting to the list of those who had submitted apologies.

CPWD CHAIR UPDATE

Chief Superintendent Paterson welcomed everyone to the meeting, in particular new Board members and provided an update on current matters and relevant issues going forward for the Partnership Board, the terms of which were noted and endorsed by the Board.

COMMUNITY PLANNING EXECUTIVE GROUP

A report was submitted by the Chief Executive of WDC, the Chair of the Community Planning Executive Group, detailing what had been discussed at the most recent Executive Group meeting.

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

- (1) to note that a development session would take place in June to discuss DIG Action Plans; and
- (2) to note that the Calls to Action from the Social Renewal Advisory Board were to be mapped across the DIGs and included within the development session in June.

DIG UPDATES – EMPOWERED FOCUS

- (a) Flourishing – Peter Barry

- (b) Independent – Jo Gibson
- (c) Nurtured – Laura Mason
- (d) Safer – 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 given and the position going forward in terms of each DIG area – Empowered Focus.

EMPOWERED DIG AND THEMATIC UPDATE

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer, West Dunbartonshire CVS and the Shared Service Community Planning Manager, ABC, highlighting what the Empowered DIG was currently focused on within its action plan and detailing a range of projects which related to an overall theme of Empowerment.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer, West Dunbartonshire CVS and the Shared Service Community Planning Manager, ABC in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to the points within the DIG Empowered Action Plan and thanked officers for exceptional work done within the Empowered DIG area;
- (2) that a strong Communication plan was required to highlight this work to the wider communities to allow them to see the progress made and plans going forward; and
- (3) otherwise to note the contents of the report.

EQUALITIES

A report was submitted by the Chief Officer – Citizen, Culture and Facilities, WDC, providing information to support considerations of inequalities and requesting that partners share information they may have to better inform and shape the actions of Community Planning in West Dunbartonshire.

After discussion and having heard the Chief Officer – Citizen, Culture and Facilities, WDC, and Chair, Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Board in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note the key duties of the Equality Act 2010;
- (2) to note the contact details for community planning partners to access and share information on equalities;
- (3) to note the draft Equality Outcomes of West Dunbartonshire Council's Equalities Mainstreaming and Outcomes Report 2021-25 which would shortly be submitted to Committee for approval; and
- (4) otherwise to note the content of the report in shaping DIG action plans.

YOUNG PEOPLE AND COMMUNITY PLANNING

A report was submitted by the Shared Service Community Planning Manager, ABC, and the Working 4U Youth Coordinator setting out the existing structures for young people in West Dunbartonshire and how community planning seeks to connect with these where relevant and of mutual benefit to the aspirations and goals of young people in their programmes of work and activity.

After discussion and having heard the Shared Service Community Planning Manager, ABC, and the Working 4U Youth Coordinator in further explanation and in answer to Members' questions, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note the existing structures for young people, and the contact details for more information or to engage;
- (2) to note the position in relation to youth structures as detailed in the report; and
- (3) to note the terms of the discussion which had taken place in relation to inviting candidates for the upcoming Scottish Youth Parliament election to the meeting in August to exchange information on matters of importance in West Dunbartonshire and ensure the meeting is engaging and using formats including short video formats and social media formats to encourage participation.

ANY OTHER COMPETENT BUSINESS

Following discussion, the Board agreed:-

- (1) to note that Darren Dickson, Scottish Government representative, would provide more clarity when available on the appointment of the new Locality Director;
- (2) to note the reminder to respond to the email regarding Community Renewal fund dated 22 April 2021 by the deadline of 17 May 2021; and
- (3) to note the closing statement from the Chair regarding the importance of Communication plans within DIG areas and ensuring that ongoing work and action plans are shared with our wider communities.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Board would be held at 10.00 a.m. on Thursday, 12 August 2021.

The meeting closed at 12.01 p.m.

Community Planning West Dunbartonshire

Action Log

Date of Meeting	Action	Owner	Status
13.05.21	All partners to share their Equality Outcome Action Plans with Ric Rea, WDC	All	
13.05.21	DIG leads to map the Social Renewal Advisory Board Calls to Action within their development sessions	DIG Leads	
13.05.21	That a strong Communication plan was required to highlight CPP work to the wider communities eg. newsletter	Malcolm Bennie / Rona Gold	
13.05.21	Invite MSYP nominees to the August CPWD Board Meeting	Rona Gold / Clare English	
13.05.21	Engage with West College Scotland to explore how their Student Union can link to young people being represented in Community Planning	Rona Gold / Liz Connolly	
13.05.21	Darren Dickson, Scottish Government representative, would provide more clarity when available on the appointment of the new Locality Director	Darren Dickson	



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

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

Management Group : 12th August 2021

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 that Fiona Taylor, Senior Nurse, Adult Services, West Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership, is the interim lead for Independent DIG.
 - Note that a development session will take place in September to discuss review DIG Action Plans.
 - Encourage employees to sign up and attend the online sessions to promote Community Planning, taking place on the following dates: 18th August, 15th September, 1st October.

3. Background

- 3.1** The Community Planning Executive Group met on 22 June 2021, and is next due to meet on 16 August. The group is chaired by the Council's Chief Executive, and membership includes the DIG leads.

4. Main Issues

4.1 DIG Lead changes

Fiona Taylor who is Senior Nurse in Adult Services in West Dunbartonshire Health and Social Care Partnership, is the interim lead for the Independent DIG Action Plan, covering for Jo Gibson.

4.2 DIG Action Plans

There is a need to review the template and content of DIG action plans to:

- Ensure focus on emerging priorities post Covid-19
- Ensure appropriate agency of ownership and partnership working is taking actions forward as an active member of the DIG.
- Take account of the many requirements of community planning that sit across a number of DIGs.
- Ensure that Community Planning Management Board's agreed thematic areas for Community Planning are addressed through DIGs. These are:
 - Poverty
 - Wellbeing
 - Empowerment
 - Sustainability

Given the importance of shaping the DIG Action Plans the Executive Group has dedicated a half-day session to re-frame these on 17 September 2021.

4.3 Community Planning Roadshow

The roadshow is a planned set of four online events that will showcase community planning in action, within West Dunbartonshire. This is part of the Improvement Plan action to raise awareness of community planning through engaging with staff in partner organisations.

The online session dates are: 11th, 18th August, 15th September and 1st October 2021.

Examples of partnership working being showcased within these are: Dementia Friendly West Dunbartonshire, Holiday Hunger and Kickstart.

5. People Implications

- 5.1** None, all activity will be delivered through existing partnership capacity.

6. Financial Implications

- 6.1** The work of CPEG is focused on improving processes and approaches to how partners work together. As such the financial implications are minimal. It is assumed that any financial implications will be met from within existing resources.

7. Risk Analysis

- 7.1** There is an increasing drive nationally for community planning partners to work at an increased pace to deliver outcomes for communities. Failure to respond to the new challenges being set for community planning in Scotland would not reflect well on CPWD and would risk delivery against the national policy priorities set by the Scottish Government.

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.

Joyce White - Chair, CPEG
24 June 2021

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Appendices: None

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

Wards Affected: All



Report by the Flourishing DIG Chair

West Dunbartonshire Community Planning Partnership Management Group - July 2021

Subject: Flourishing DIG Update - Sustainability

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 sustainability activity undertaken during the operational year to date.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1** The Covid19 Stay at Home Order/ Lockdown on 23 March 2020 continues well into the summer of 2021 and has required a comprehensive and sustained response from the Flourishing DIG partner organisations. The focus for the Flourishing DIG over the last six months is to develop a response to the economic impacts of the COVID pandemic. The DIG action plan is currently being updated with that objective in mind.
- 4.2** The Flourishing DIG is focused on the direct and wider economic impact of the Pandemic. Input is provided by Scottish Enterprise and the City Region intelligence unit on the potential impact on employment and the wider economy.

Along with some negative or unknown Brexit consequences the pandemic presented some real challenges in our communities, and for CPWD in developing a suitable response. Partners continue to monitor the situation and as restrictions are relaxed and our communities return to some form of normality the true extent on this Pandemic will become more evident.

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. 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. A number of work streams have been established and these will focus on:
- A service provider group, drawing representation from the third and private sector, to support the design and delivery of creative approaches to service delivery
 - A community of practice with frontline staff from employability service providers contributing to the development of approaches that ease access to services
 - A service user group to gather information from a service user perspective
 - A data use group to develop a clear understanding of the local labour market to inform decisions about service provision.
- 5.3** The strategic employability group is focused on the most effective use of grant funding for employability and has established a procurement framework that will allow us to draw on a broader range of specialist service provision. This will maximise the use of funds in programmes such as: No One Left Behind Funds; the Parental Employability Support Fund: Young Persons guarantee, where focus will be placed on incentives for employers to employ young people.
- 5.4** In addition the new Kickstart programme will allow us to connect young people with employers providing resources to meet salary and training costs. All of these funds will provide additional resources to meet training costs and in some cases meet salary costs for people to (re) enter the labour market and we have established a monitoring framework to capture progress in the design and delivery of the new activity.

6. Business Support

- 6.1** The Business Support team has continued to administer support grants. Since the Pandemic restrictions, the service has distributed over £30m of grant funding to our local business community. The most recent statistics for COVID business support schemes are as follows:
- The Strategic Framework Business Fund opened on Friday 13 November 2020 to provide financial support to businesses directly affected by the

COVID-19 restrictions and regulations during the lockdown period. This fund closed for applications on Monday 22 March 2021. 626 applications were approved with financial support totalling £5,108,175. In addition to this, the team have also provided retail, hospitality and leisure top-up grants to 457 eligible premises, which totals £3,214,000 and supported 541 eligible businesses with transition/re-start grants which total £4,834,000;

- Financial support has also been provided to Travel Agents, Brewers and Indoor Football Centre premises through the Contingency Fund Plus Grant which totals £120,000. Exclusive Use Venues, large self-catering premises and small accommodation providers paying Council Tax have also been provided with grant support which totals £58,000;
- The Taxi Driver & Private Hire fund went live on Thursday 21 January 2021 and closed on Thursday 25 March 2021. The Business Support team worked in partnership with Licensing to check the eligibility of applicants. This fund has provided 351 taxi drivers with financial support which totalled £526,500;
- The Discretionary Business Fund provided grant support to local businesses that were experiencing immediate financial challenges as a result of the COVID-19 restrictions and regulations that had not been able to access the Strategic Framework Business Fund. Prior to the fund closing on 30 April 2021, the fund assisted 444 individuals/businesses with financial support which totalled £1,457,000. These figures includes an additional top-up grant of £1,500 which was provided to eligible approved taxi drivers in addition to the financial support already provided through the Taxi Driver & Private Hire Fund.
- A new Taxi and Private Hire Vehicle Driver and Operator Support Fund scheme is currently being to be delivered by the Council on behalf of the Scottish Government. As of 16 July 2021, 98 payments have been made totalling £98,000.

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. Together with place based regeneration works this will improve our local towns while providing support to our local businesses as they recover from the Pandemic.

7.2 In terms of sustainability the single biggest regeneration project in West Dunbartonshire is the Queens Quay district heating network as it commenced operations in November 2020 creating heat from water drawn from the river Clyde. The facility is running well and has four connected facilities. Priority going forward is to make connections with West College Scotland and the Golden Jubilee Hospital within the next 12-18 months. The social housing development on Queens Quay is being connected over this Summer of 2021 and we anticipated connection to the Clydebank Health centre in Spring 2023.

This unique facility has drawn a significant amount of interest and we hope that it will play some role in the Global COP26 event in November 2021.

7.3 Council has applied for £20m levelling up funding from UK government towards the regeneration of Dumbarton Town centre and anticipate the result of this bid by October 2021. 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 at present. The introduction of Pandemic specific funding has assisted delivery during the 2020-21 financial year, however as the interruption and subsequent restrictions continue into the 2021/22 financial year, financial implications may come into focus.

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 the pandemic progress change.

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: Flourishing DIG Action Plan 2020-22

Wards Affected: All



**Report by the Chief Education Officer
Management Group : 12th August 2021**

Subject: Nurtured DIG Update

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 CPWD is asked to:
- note progress and focus of work responding to and reflecting challenges of COVID19 by the Nurtured DIG.

3. Background

- 3.1 Through multi-agency planning, the Nurtured DIG aims to ensure:
- all WDC children have the best start in life and are ready to succeed;
 - families are supported in accessing education, learning and attainment opportunities and
 - ensure improved life chances for all children, young people and families.
- 3.2 The Nurtured DIG aims are articulated in Plans which reflect WDC's Integrated Children's Services Plan 2021-23. (App.1)
- 3.3 In response to COVID19 partners have re-aligned priorities and support addressing challenges faced by children and young people at this time.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1 Since March 2020 all Nurtured DIG engagement has been remote with a focus on supporting the wellbeing of our stakeholders.
- 4.2 All partners have faced significant challenges in service delivery throughout the pandemic; continually reviewing and revising engagement.

- 4.3** The Family Nurse Partnership (FNP) are participating in Antenatal book bug. Clients including Dads are reporting their enjoyment of reading to their unborn babies.

They have continued to deliver all universal pathway contacts during the pandemic; facilitated training for Health Visitors in the use of the Ages and stages Questionnaire and stages Questionnaire, Social and Emotional tools (ASQ and ASQSE) and delivering bespoke sessions for Health Visiting teams in relation to children who are on the waiting list for Autistic Spectrum Disorder Diagnosis.

They are one of the pilot sites for the National FNP Trauma and Violence Informed work and have contributed to the learning needs survey and literature review and will be involved in developing the programme. Staff are involved in the delivery of the assessment of care toolkit and train the trainer work as one of the pilot sites for the Trauma and Violence Informed work.

A effective client mapping list established during the pandemic ensured a rapid way to identify children most at risk cross referencing with Social Work.

- 4.4** The Children and Families Nursing team introduced a dedicated breast feeding support worker to provide additional support. Early data indicates a shift in culture with reducing attrition rates. The positive impact of having a dedicated infant feeding team, monthly UNICEF Gold meetings and a collaborative approach have contributed to this positive change.

There has been an increase in School Nursing referrals to support children experiencing anxiety. The team have been trained in the delivery of Let's Introduce Anxiety Management (LIAM), a Cognitive Behaviour Therapy (CBT) approach, supporting those with elevated levels of distress who do not meet CAMHS criteria. This has been successfully delivered virtually and will move to face to face delivery in time.

There was limited time to carry out the P7 vision screening, however, all were offered a vision screening and the opportunity to complete the Parental Child Health Service Transition Questionnaire enabling parents to request support for their child from School Health.

The Oral health improvement team have maintained virtual and telephone contact with parents and supplied doorstep deliveries of dental packs and weaning literature. Alternative methods of supporting nurseries to safely deliver re-implementation of the Tooth-brushing programme have been developed.

- 4.5** HSCP Children's Services have up-scaled some activities as restrictions have eased. Priority continues to focus on the most vulnerable families and child protection activity. Contact between looked after children and their families continues to use a blended model. Regular Violence Against Women Partnership and MARAC meetings continue. The increased number of Initial

Referral Discussions (IRD's) remains resource intensive. A short life multi-agency working group has been established to respond to increasing numbers of on-line sexual abuse reports.

4.6 Children's Hearings have been leading a review to improve children's experiences of the Children's Hearings system. This is a multi-agency focus and involves a range of partners and young people.

4.7 All children and young people returned to educational settings ahead of the summer break. We have implemented a programme of transition for those new to or moving settings over the holiday period. This is in line with COVID restrictions whilst recognising the significance of the transition period on a child's life.

Our secondary schools ensured a robust programme of assessment and moderation was planned and implemented in order that appropriate SQA awards were presented to young people. Local Authority processes for support, challenge and moderation were established and implemented.

To alleviate holiday hunger, free School Meal entitlement alternative payment was provided to all Early Years, P1-3 and eligible P4-S6 children over the summer holiday period. We planned a summer extravaganza supported by funding from WDC and Scottish Government's Get into Summer Fund. This provided approximately 10 000 free places for children and young people to participate in a range of fun holiday activities; all of which included access to free food or snacks. This involved a range of community partners and venues; including our local parks and included targeted support for those who were in need of most help.

4.8 All children and young people in Scotland have an entitlement to Learning for Sustainability and it is the responsibility of all practitioners to ensure this happens. Our strategy aims to engage our children and young people to learn about sustainability as citizens of their local national and global communities. The Service promotes the Global Goals with a strategic group leading education policy on curriculum, indicators of quality and key promotional events. In November' 21 COP26 is being hosted in Glasgow. WDC plans for session 21-22 are: Authority wide focus on UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) in the lead up to the COP26 in November. We will focus on 3 particular SDGs : Reduced Inequalities, Climate action and peace; Justice and strong institutions.

As part of the local authority commitment to reduce carbon emissions we plan to invite all primary one pupils to plant a tree in partnership with Greenspace and the Woodland Trust.

4.9 Community partners such as Y-Sort-it and the Champions Board continue to work and engage with stakeholders adapting their practice to reflect current restrictions. Focus has been on ensuring the wellbeing and continuing engagement of the most vulnerable. They have planned and implemented a summer programme to develop engagement of all service users whilst also

specifically targeting supports for those at risk of missing out, part funded via Scottish Government's Get into Summer Programme

4.10 Working 4U continues to address the underlying causes and symptoms of poverty. Activities centre on delivery of specialist services (Work, Learn, Money) with support for families, children and young people reflected in their contribution to the local child poverty action report. Recent key activities have included the development of youth outreach delivering diversionary activities and summer programmes for young people across the council.

4.10 To support third sector organisations prepare for the implementation of the UNCRC (Incorporation) (Scotland) Act, West Dunbartonshire CVS has partnered with Children in Scotland to deliver training to help raise awareness, knowledge and understanding of the UNCRC and support the embedding of a child rights-based approach contributing to effective service planning. The programme, delivered during August and September, has capacity for 15-20 participants and recruitment is progressing well. Participants will be required to commit to complete three elements - a self e-learning module, followed by 2 online workshops.

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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Appendix Appendix 1 – WDC Integrated Children's Services Plan 2021-23

Background Papers: None

Wards Affected: All



**Report by Chief Inspector Coleen Wylie,
Safe Delivery and Improvement Group Chair**

Community Planning West Dunbartonshire: 12 August 2021

Subject: Safe Delivery and Improvement Group – progress update

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. Background

- 3.1 The West Dunbartonshire Community Planning Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2017-2027 identifies 5 priority local outcomes that seek to deliver the vision of a West Dunbartonshire that is *“a great place to live, work and visit”*.
- 3.2 The DIGs have been established as the outcome focussed supporting structure for the Community Planning Partnership. Each group consisting of key agencies and partners who work together to support delivery of the vision whilst working within the parameters of Community Planning West Dunbartonshire to promote the value of working in partnership.

4. Main Issues

- 4.1 Per previous update provided at last meeting on 13 May 2021, members of the Safe DIG agreed that whilst the current objectives were still relevant and threats/risks faced by communities within West Dunbartonshire, a revised focus was appropriate taking into account new concerns and issues that have emerged during COVID-19 pandemic.
- 4.2 The group agreed that the Local Outcomes delivered through the Safe DIG moving forward should be refreshed, whilst ensuring outcomes also consider

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wider Equality, Wellbeing, Sustainability and Empowerment aspect of activity. Initial discussion recommended the following themes for further consideration:

1. Residents live in a safe and positive community – the Safe DIG will focus on:
 - Anti-Social Behaviour and Violence, including Wilful Fire raising and Hate Crime.
 - Substance Harm Prevention, reducing Drugs Deaths.
2. Our communities are supported and included – the Safe DIG will focus on:
 - Fraud and bogus caller incidents
 - Online Harms including child sexual exploitation
 - Suicide Prevention
3. We encourage enhanced water safety – the Safe DIG will focus on:
 - Partnership Approach to Water Safety

4.3 Following the above described discussion with Safe DIG members, a revised Action/Delivery plan has been compiled, and a draft copy will be circulated to each partner agency allowing for further discussion and contribution. It is important that the actions/measures agreed are relevant and can be monitored and measured in qualitative terms.

5. Additional Matters – Partnership Approach to Water Safety (PAWS)

5.1 The “Partnership Approach to Water Safety West Dunbartonshire 2021” proposed action plan was considered and approved at the Community Planning Management Board on 13 May 2021, objectives being to:

- Reduce accidental drowning deaths in Scotland by 50% by 2026 and reduce risk among the highest-risk populations, groups and communities.
- Contribute to the reduction of water-related suicide.

5.2 The Partnership Approach to Water Safety Group (PAWS) is now established within West Dunbartonshire, having held two planned group meetings since March 2021. Significant work has been undertaken and ongoing to fit and replace safety equipment and signage at existing and new sites. The group also met for post incident debrief in May 2021, following the tragic death of male at Clyde & Forth Canal, Clydebank, this meeting considered any additional safety measures required at these locations or learning from these incidents and follow up actions will be discussed at next PAWS meeting.

5.3 A Communications Strategy has been established to align social media accounts across all partners, and Water Safety inputs available to deliver in education establishments by school teachers. This learning package went live on 26th April 2021.

5.4 Full connectivity has been made with the West Dunbartonshire Suicide Prevention Group and PAWS Group for locations of concern involving water-related suicide.

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5.5 There are multi-agency exercises planned and risk assessments are ongoing for these. Two will be carried out this year and another in early 2022.

6. People Implications

6.1 No, all activity is delivered through the existing teams of the Community Planning partners.

7. Financial Implications

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

8. Risk Analysis

8.1 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.

9. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

9.1 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.

10. Consultation

10.1 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.

11. Strategic Assessment

11.1 This report confirms that the SPWD continues to deliver against the outcomes set in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan. However the impact on resources and operational capacity as a result of Covid 19 cannot be underestimated and there will be challenges in some delivery.

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Appendices: **Partnership Water Safety Group Plan 2021**

Background Papers: **None**

Wards Affected: **ALL**



COMMUNITY PLANNING WEST DUNBARTONSHIRE

Report by the Shared Service Community Planning Manager

Management Group: 12th August 2021

Subject: Sustainability

1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to highlight how Community Planning Partners within West Dunbartonshire are looking at the theme of Sustainability.

2. Recommendations

2.1 CPWD is asked to:

- Note the report

3. Background

3.1 It was agreed by the Community Planning West Dunbartonshire Board to have a focus on Sustainability at one of its meetings in 2021.

3.2 This paper complements the information on Sustainability provided within the DIG updates as part of the meeting.

4. Main Issues

4.1 Within West Dunbartonshire, there are a range of partnership projects which exemplify sustainability.

4.2 **Climate Change Action Plan:** West Dunbartonshire Council is currently consulting on its Climate Change Action Plan and accompanying Environmental Report. The plan looks to implement the Climate Change Strategy through high-level short and longer term actions.

4.3 **Connecting Clydebank:** This is a transformational project made possible with funding from SUSTRANS seeking to strengthen the civic core of Clydebank and forming essential links with the Queen's Quay development. This arose from a Charrette process in 2015 and was made possible through funding from Sustrans Community Links.

- 4.4 Melfort Park - New Community Park:** The former St Eunan's Primary School has been transformed into a new community park providing local residents opportunities to learn about nature and physical activity. The park will deliver new biodiversity areas, raised bed allotments, recreational areas for children, outdoor exercise equipment, outdoor education areas and representing local heritage. In addition, open pathways are throughout the site, enabling accessible connections for pedestrians and cyclists.
- 4.5 Street Bikes:** This initiative from Y Sort-It provides free bike hire, cycling skills sessions as well as maintenance sessions to young people of all ages and abilities. Their aim is to ensure cycling is as accessible as possible. Volunteers have been recruited to support young people with basic bike maintenance workshops as well as recycling donated bikes to give to young people and members of the community for free.
- 4.6 WDCVS:** WDCVS supports several environmental projects including litter picks in partnership with Scottish Canals and a community allotment space in partnership with Dalmuir Plots Association.
- 4.7 Isaro Community Initiative:** Isaro Community Initiative have a number of climate change projects designed to encourage communities to reduce their carbon footprint including energy efficiency advice, upcycling of clothes and textile waste reduction initiatives and awareness of food and climate change through workshops, cooking and gardening classes.
- 4.8 Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park:** LLTNP provide information to visitors on how to reduce their carbon footprint when visiting the National Park including encouraging people to travel by public transport and the provision of electric car chargers. LLTNP also provide information on littering, reusables and educational resources.
- 4.9 District Heating Project, Queens Quay:** This is the first large-scale District Heating Network powered by water source heat pumps in Scotland, and became operational in December 2020. The system has been built on a modular basis, enabling future expansion beyond Queens Quay.
- 4.10** In addition, a number of partners have readily available Climate Change strategies which can be found here:
- [West Dunbartonshire Council Climate Change Strategy](#)
 - [SFRS Strategic Plan 2019 22 V1.0.pdf \(firescotland.gov.uk\)](#)
 - [Skills Development Scotland Climate Change Strategy](#)
 - [SNH Climate Commitments 2019](#)
 - [SEPA Climate Change Commitment Statement](#)

5. People Implications

- 5.1** These plans and activity are being delivered within existing resources.

6. Financial Implications

6.1 There are no financial implications linked to this report.

7. Risk Analysis

7.1 This report is for noting so there are no risk implications. A risk analysis would be undertaken for individual projects by those working on the project.

8. Equalities Impact Assessment (EIA)

8.1 This report is for noting and does not seek to change any existing policies or procedures so an Equalities Impact Assessment screening was not required.

9. Consultation

9.1 This report has been developed by the Shared Service Community Planning Manager with input from the Council's Performance and Strategy Officer.

10. Strategic Assessment

10.1 Ensuring West Dunbartonshire is sustainable is a strategic priority for the Community Planning Partnership.

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