

SOUTH AYRSHIRE COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD.

Minutes of meeting in the Maybole Committee Room, County Buildings,
Wellington Square, Ayr
on 24 January 2019 at 2.00 p.m.

Present: Board Members:

Councillor Douglas Campbell, Leader of South Ayrshire Council (Chair); **Eileen Howat**, Chief Executive, South Ayrshire Council; **Paul Main**, Chief Superintendent, Police Scotland; **Tim Eltringham**, Director of Health and Social Care; **Jim Scott**, Area Manager, Scottish Fire and Rescue; **Elaine Caldow**, Public Health, NHS Ayrshire and Arran; **Alan Comrie**, Senior Transport Planner, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport; **Brian Connolly**, Scottish Enterprise; **Arthur Keller**, Operations Manager, Scottish Natural Heritage; **Audrey McGee**, Service Lead, Job Centre Plus; **Peter Galliford**, DWP; and **Claire Tooze**, Skills Development Scotland.

Apologies: Councillors Martin Dowe and Brian McGinley; Heather Dunk, Principal, Ayr College; **Douglas Hutchison**, Depute Chief Executive and Director – People, South Ayrshire Council; **Marie Oliver**, Chief Executive Officer, VASA; **Val Russell**, Chief Executive, Ayrshire Chamber of Commerce; and **Dr Joy Tomlinson**, Public Health Medicine, NHS Ayrshire and Arran;

Others attending:

Mark Baker, Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement; **Linda Warwick**, Co-ordinator, Community Planning; **Susan McCardie**, Lead Officer – Community Planning; **Dawn Parker**, Corporate Parenting Officer; **Gary Hoey**, Strategic Co-ordinator (Children’s Services Plan) and **Alison Nelson**, Co-ordinator, Democratic Services.

1. Welcome and Introductions

Councillor Douglas Campbell (Chair) opened the meeting by welcoming all in attendance. The Chair intimated that this would be Chief Superintendent Paul Main’s last meeting and thanked him for his contribution to the Board over the last few years.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest by Members of the Board in terms of the Board’s Standing Order No.10.

3. Minutes of previous meeting

The Minutes of the Community Planning Board of 1 November 2018 (issued) were submitted and approved.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

Variation in Order of Business

The Board agreed to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted. Agenda Items 6,7 and 9 would be taken first.

6. Realigning Children's Services

There was submitted (issued) a report dated 24 January 2019 by the Strategic Co-ordinator, Children's Services Plan providing an update to the Community Planning Partnership Board (CPP) on the Scottish Government's Realigning Children's Services Programme (RCS).

The programme was being run by the Scottish Government and Community Planning Partnership to improve the commissioning of children's services in their local area. The RCS would contain an element within the programme of new quantitative research – The Children's Wellbeing Survey Programme. To understand the strengths and possible concerns in the local child population, pupils in primary and secondary schools would be asked to take part in a survey on health and wellbeing. This information would then be used to formulate a strategic needs analysis for localities and communities, this would subsequently assist the CPP to plan services for children and their families that would be focused more on early intervention and prevention. The Realigning Children's Services Team would deliver a facilitation programme to assist the CPP to interpret the data and explore potential actions. This would be conducted by two research organisations – ScotCen Social Research and Ipsos MORI. The surveys would be delivered in South Ayrshire Schools in January 2019 and ending in March 2019.

Regular updates regarding the progress of the RCS programme would be presented at the Children's Services Planning Group.

Representatives from Public Health and HSCP intimated that they would be willing to contribute into this work.

Decided: to note the contents of the report.

7. Corporate Parenting Plan 2017-2020

There was submitted (issued) a report dated 24 January 2019 by the Corporate Parenting Officer seeking recognition and support for the implementation of South Ayrshire's Corporate Parenting Plan 2017-2020 and associated action plan.

Public bodies have a legal requirement to work together to promote the wellbeing of looked after children and care leavers in their care. South Ayrshire's Children's Services Plan was published in April 2017, and the Corporate Parenting Plan took account of the changes in local priorities as set out in the Children's Services Plan and met the requirements for Corporate Parents to plan collaboratively.

The Corporate Parenting Plan along with partners intended to raise the expectations for care experience children and young people in South Ayrshire to aid in achieving their potential and to make a difference for them. Youngsters also input into the development of the Corporate Parenting Plan.

Item 4 of the report detailed the progress made to date with an Action Plan being developed for Corporate Parents to achieve the outcomes detailed in the Action Plan.

The progress of the Action Plan would be monitored by the Corporate Parenting Group and reported to the Children's Services Planning Group.

Decided:

- (1) to note that the Corporate Parenting Plan was taken to the IJB January 2019 meeting for approval; and
- (2) to circulate the Corporate Parenting Plan to Board Members following approval by the IJB.

9. Getting It Right for Every Child: Early Intervention – Team Around the Family

There was submitted (issued) a report dated 24 January 2019 by the Depute Chief Executive and Director – People, South Ayrshire Council advising members of the Community Planning Partnership Board of a project proposal 'Team Around the Family' that provided an intensive approach to supporting families.

The Strategic Co-ordinator (Children's Services Plan) provided an overview in the absence of the Depute Chief Executive and Director – People. In 2018 a trial took place in Ayr Academy and Newton Primary School to develop the school as a hub within the community. Over the course of one week a variety of agencies came together in the school to provide services in a way that was different from the norm. Staff, from the various agencies, basing themselves in the school and engaged directly with families in the playground, a small number of families were targeted for additional support.

The Services that required time to develop relationships with families felt the week had less of an impact than those offering advice and support on a one off basis.

The report proposed that the more intensive approach be considered for a limited number of families who may benefit from intensive and targeted intervention over a short period of time. The families involved were those who may have a child on the margins of offending behaviour or vulnerable but not yet requiring statutory measures. The focus would be on early intervention to prevent further escalation. The approach was described as a team around the family as the focus was not on the child alone, but the needs of the whole family in the context of their community.

The project proposals were agreed at the Children's Services Planning Group and were now the remit of the Strategic Co-ordinator (Children's Services Plan) and Quality Improvement Manager.

The Chair intimated that the ultimate aim was to reduce the attainment gap and that having a whole family/systems approach would aid in providing a wrap-around service. Any Board Member wishing to become involved in future projects should contact the Strategic Co-ordinator (Children's Services Plan).

Decided: to note the contents of the report.

5. **Update from Community Planning Executive**

There was submitted (issued) a report dated 24 January 2019 by the Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement updating the Community Planning Partnership Board of the previous meeting of the Community Planning Executive of 6 December 2018.

The Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement provided a verbal overview of his report to Board Members.

Decided: to note the contents of the report.

8. **Local Outcomes Improvement Plan: Next Steps for Development**

There was submitted (issued) a report dated 24 January 2019 by the Depute Chief Executive and Director – People advising members of the Community Planning Partnership Board of areas of further development required to refresh the LOIP in line with the Community Planning guidance as per the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

The LOIP was published in October 2017 and a first year annual report published in November 2018. Whilst writing the annual report it was acknowledged that the LOIP required refinement to ensure that it captured specific guidance on the development of LOIPs as detailed in the Community Planning guidance.

Priorities would be; reducing social isolation and loneliness; support for people living with dementia and their carers; improving outcomes for care experienced children and care leavers; and providing support for young people who were carers.

Item 4 of the report provided further detail and work would now commence to refresh the LOIP with a view to submitting it to the next Community Planning Executive in February 2019.

The Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement suggested taking stock of what had been achieved, consider the way forward and simplify the governance around this. He also intimated that the two page report did not give credit to the work currently being done. The Chair emphasised that he was eager to reduce the number of plans and encouraged less more relevant plans going forward.

Decided:

- (1) to approve the further refinement of the LOIP in line with Community Planning guidance; and
- (2) to note redefining the role of the Economy and Employment Strategic Delivery Partnership to one that tackles financial inequality as detailed in Item 4 of the report.

10. SPT Transport Outcomes Report

There was submitted (issued) a report dated 24 January 2019 by the Head of Policy and Planning, Strathclyde Partnership for Transport informing the Community Planning Partnership Board of the preparation by SPT of the South Ayrshire Transport Outcome Report (TOR); highlight the connection between SPT activities and local outcomes from the LOIP; and highlight the focus given within the TOR to the services and benefits that SPT had delivered in 2017/18 together with details of the SPT – South Ayrshire joint work streams for 2018/19.

Appendix A of the report contained the TOR for 2018, SPT officers had worked with South Ayrshire colleagues to agree the key areas for partnership working for 2018/19. The TOR contained information on policy content; outputs and performance; and the work plan for the year ahead.

The Capital Programme for 2018/19 was:

• Ayrshire/Prestwick SQP Infrastructure Improvements	£70,000
• Local Cycle Network Improvements	£200,000
• Barassie Rail Station Park and Ride Extension	£10,000
• Doonholm Road/A77 Junction improvement	£25,000
• Coylton Sustainable Transport improvement	£15,000

The TOR highlighted the role of transport in achieving positive outcomes at the local level by noting the supporting relationship between the joint work streams agreed between SPT and South Ayrshire and the local outcomes set out in the LOIP.

Members discussed the TOR and how it would link into the Ayrshire Growth Deal; connectivity; how people accessed transport and new funding streams to increase cycling. Elaine Caldwell, Public Health asked if a Health Impact Assessment had been undertaken, the Senior Transport Planner, SPT intimated that an Equalities Impact Assessment had been undertaken but not specifically a Health Impact Assessment, Elaine Caldwell intimated that this would be a worthwhile exercise and that she would be willing to offer assistance with this if need be.

The Chair raised the issue of My Bus advising that the Council contributed £250,000 and noted that only 25,000 journeys had been made and questioned whether this was value for money. The Senior Planner SPT informed that My Bus was semi time-tabled and that Community Transport wasn't and that it was difficult to reach a balance in terms of service delivery. He went on to explain that My Bus was for everyone and not simply people with access issues.

The Senior Planner, SPT also intimated that it was right that these figures were questioned and whether this funding could be better used to serve rural communities.

Decided: note the contents of the report.

11. Child Protection Committee Annual Report (for noting)

Decided: to note the report.

12. **ADP Strategy (for noting)**

Decided: to note the report.

13. **For Information:**

The link to Skills Development Scotland's report on Delivering Scotland's Career Service was circulated to members.

14. **Any Other Competent Business**

Dementia Friendly Prestwick

The Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement circulated Dementia Friendly Prestwick – Impact Report which detailed the work undertaken since establishment in 2016.

Equalities and Diversity Calendar

The Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement advised that the Equalities Team had produced an Equalities and Diversity Calendar and agreed to circulate the electronic link.

Transport Scotland

The Service Lead – Corporate Planning and Improvement informed the Board that the Council had been successful in obtaining funding for 8 electric vehicles and a further subsequent funding submission obtained further funding for an additional 11 vehicles. He intimated that this was a fantastic reflection of the collaborative work currently being undertaken within the Council. The Chair thanked the staff involved with the funding submissions.

15. **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting of the Community Planning Board would take place on **2 May 2019 at 2.00pm in the Maybole Committee Room**, County Buildings, Wellington Square, Ayr.

The meeting ended at 3.45 pm