

WISHAW AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP – 17 April 2013

Wishaw, 17 April 2013 at 2 pm.**A Meeting of the WISHAW AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP****PRESENT**

Councillor Love, Convener; Councillors Cefferty, Cochrane, Fellows, McKendrick, Shevlin and Taggart, North Lanarkshire Council; Graham Johnston, Project Manager, NHS Lanarkshire; Chief Inspector Glen Bland and Inspector Alex Graham, Police Scotland; Brian McGuire, Group Commander, Scottish Fire and Rescue and David Summers, Wishaw and District Community Forum.

CHAIR

Councillor Love (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Lesley Dysart, Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services) and Justine Pollock, Clerical Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Matt Costello, Local Regeneration Manager and Lyndsay Noble, Senior Planner, Environmental Services, and Gillian Whitehead, Area Manager, Sandra MacKay, Project Manager, Laura O'Neill, Service Delivery Manager and Lorraine Meek, Housing Advisor, Housing and Social Work Services.

APOLOGIES

Provost Robertson; Councillors Hume and McKay and Francis Cain, Wishaw and District Community Forum.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. There were no declarations of interest.

The Convener exercised his discretion and varied the Order of Business as hereinafter Minuted.

JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

2. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership held on 16 January 2013, there was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the meeting of the Wishaw and District Area Committee held on 17 April 2013) dated 17 April 2013 by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council (1) highlighting, within Appendix 1 to the report, the information and action which had been considered by the Local Community Safety Sub-Group for the period December 2012 to February 2013, including a statistical analysis of incidents within Ward 20, which had been identified as a priority Ward; (2) providing details of a number of positive initiatives within the Wishaw and District Locality, and (3) intimating, within the report, the performance update with regard to Wards 12 and 19.

Thereon, Brian McGuire, Group Commander, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Chief Inspector Bland and Inspector Alex Graham, Police Scotland and Gillian Whitehead, Area Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, North Lanarkshire Council, were heard in full explanation of the report and responded to Members' questions.

Thereafter the Convener intimated his concerns regarding illegal parking of vehicles in various streets within the Town Centre. Inspector Graham advised that two Officers conducted daytime patrols in Wishaw Town Centre and that 60 fixed penalty parking tickets had been issued in the last month. He also advised that the Officers would continue to patrol the area.

Councillor Cefferty questioned the value of Tenant Led Inspections carried out with Housing and Social Work Services and indicated that he had not been informed they were taking place. Gillian Whitehead, Area Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, North Lanarkshire Council indicated that she would forward the Action Plan compiled from the Tenant Led Inspections to any Elected Member who requested it.

Decided: that it be recommended to the Area Committee:-

- (1) that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Local Area Partnership regarding the outcomes for priority Ward 20;
- (2) that the Area Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, North Lanarkshire Council forward the Action Plan from the Tenant Led Inspections to any Elected Member who requested it, and
- (3) that the terms of the report be noted.

NHS LANARKSHIRE – NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP – NORTH EAST UNIT

3. There was submitted a report dated March 2013 by the General Manager, NHS Lanarkshire (1) providing details of various initiatives which had taken place, or would take place, within the Wishaw and District Locality area, and (2) providing details thereon.

Graham Johnston, Project Manager of the New Wishaw NHS/Council Centre, NHS Lanarkshire provided an update on the new Wishaw NHS/Council Centre and advised of all NHS and Council Services which would be housed within the new Centre. He also advised that the new Centre was anticipated to be opened by May 2015 and that further reports on progress would be submitted to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership.

Decided:

- (1) that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Local Area Partnership on the progress of the new NHS/Council Centre in Wishaw, and
- (2) that the terms of the report be noted.

WISHAW, MURDOSTOUN AND FORTISSAT COMMUNITY FORUM – MINUTE AND UPDATE REPORT

4. There was submitted the Minute and update report by the Wishaw, Murdostoun and Fortissat Community Forum.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute and update report be noted.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD MINUTE

5. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 14 November 2012.

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2012/2013

6. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership held on 16 January 2013, there was submitted a report dated 17 April 2013 by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Wishaw and District Area Committee held 17 April 2013) (1) detailing the criteria for projects to be included in the Local Development Programme; (2) setting out, within Appendix 1 to the report, information on progress with regard to individual projects including Estate Based Initiatives for 2012/2013, and, within Appendix 2 to the report, the Local Development Programme for 2013/2014 including new and Estate Based Initiatives projects, and budget reductions, and (3) intimating that the "Holding List" of projects for the area was included within Appendix 3 to the report.

Matt Costello, Local Regeneration Manager, Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council outlined the main points of the report and responded to Members' questions.

Thereon, the Convener advised of his concerns that Local Development Programme funding was being used for projects which could be funded through North Lanarkshire Council Services. He suggested that the four secondary schools within the area be contacted and the school pupils consulted regarding their views and ideas on possible projects for their community.

Decided: that it be recommended to the Area Committee:-

- (1) that progress with the 2012/2013 Programme including Estate Based Initiatives as highlighted within Appendix 1 to the report by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council be noted;
- (2) that the Local Development Programme for 2013/2014 including new and Estate Based Initiative projects and budget reduction as highlighted within Appendix 2 to the report be approved;
- (3) that the "Holding List" of projects, as highlighted within Appendix 3 to the report, be approved;
- (4) that further progress on the current and proposed projects be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership;
- (5) that the Local Regeneration Manager, Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council consult with school pupils from the four secondary schools within the area regarding their views and ideas on possible projects for their community, and
- (6) that otherwise the terms of the report be noted.

WISHAW TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN – UPDATE

7. With reference to paragraph 7 of the Minute of the meeting of the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership held on 16 January 2013, when progress in relation to projects contained within the
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Wishaw Town Centre Action Plan had been noted, there was submitted a report dated 17 April 2013 by the Head of Planning and Development, North Lanarkshire Council (1) advising of progress made on projects and initiatives contained within the Action Plan; (2) indicating that (a) survey work on a new Town Centre Framework for Wishaw would commence soon, and (b) consultation with a wide range of stakeholders on the development of the new Wishaw Town Centre Framework would commence in May 2013; (3) intimating that Wishaw Town Centre had secured £3m for 2013/14 to 2015/16 for Phase 2 of streetscape improvement works and a further £500k from 2016/17 to 2017/18 for additional public realm works; (4) detailing, within the report, an update with regard to Road and Parking Improvements, Streetscape Improvements, and Town Centre Activities, and (5) informing that (a) the Council was currently looking into the potential for establishing Business Improvement Districts (BID) in North Lanarkshire Town Centres, and (b) the work to engage with Town Centre businesses to raise awareness of BIDs was underway.

Thereon, Lyndsay Noble, Senior Planner, Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council was heard in full explanation of the projects and responded to Members' questions.

Decided: that it be recommended to the Area Committee:-

- (1) that the progress made on the projects and initiatives contained within the Wishaw Town Centre Action Plan be noted, and
- (2) that the terms of the report be noted.

RESHAPING CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE: PROGRESS REPORT

8. There was submitted a report dated 17 April 2013 by the Executive Director of Housing and Social Work Services providing an update on the progress made in Reshaping Care for Older People across statutory sectors in North Lanarkshire, the Third Sector and Independent Sectors (1) outlining the background to the Government's Policy on Reshaping Care for Older People which was accompanied by a change fund allocation of £3.8m for a period of four years; (2) providing an overview of the progress made to date in respect of community capacity building/preventative and anticipatory care, proactive care and support at home, effective care at times of transition and hospital and institutional care, and (3) summarising the impact of the policy within Wishaw and District locality, including the Locality Partnership Development Programme run through the project "Getting Better Together, Shotts" and the shifting balance of care through the provision of appropriate housing options in respect of respite facilities, sheltered housing complexes and multi-storey towers.

Thereon, Sandra MacKay, Project Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, North Lanarkshire Council was heard in further explanation of the report and responded to Members' questions.

A request was made for the use of the word "Pathway" to be changed to a more appropriate term in future reports.

Decided:

- (1) that it be requested that the use of the word "Pathway" within the report be changed to a more appropriate term in future reports, and
- (2) that the terms of the report be noted.

REMIT FROM LEARNING AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE - 6 FEBRUARY 2013 – REMOVAL OF THE PLAY AREA AT SHOTTS LEISURE CENTRE, HIGH STREET, SHOTTS

9. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Learning and Leisure Services Committee held on 6 February 2013 when, inter alia, that Committee having considered a report
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dated 4 January 2013 by the Head of Community Information and Learning, North Lanarkshire Council (1) approved the removal of the play area at Shotts Leisure Centre, Shotts, and (2) remitted the report to the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership for information, there was submitted the said report by the Head of Community Information and Learning, North Lanarkshire Council.

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

REMITTS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 14 MARCH 2013

(1) SCOTTISH POLICE SERVICE – NORTH LANARKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2013-2014

10. With reference to paragraph 15 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 14 March 2013 when, that Committee having considered a report (docketed as relative to the meeting of that Committee) dated 14 March 2013 by the Chief Executive had agreed that (1) the Police Scotland - North Lanarkshire Local Plan 2013/2014 be approved, and (2) the Police Plan be referred to this Local Area Partnership for consideration, the Local Area Partnership considered the report.

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

(2) SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE - NORTH LANARKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2013-2014

11. With reference to paragraph 16 of the Minute of the meeting of the Policy and Resources Committee held on 14 March 2013, when that Committee, having considered a report (docketed as relative to the meeting of that Committee) dated 14 March 2013 by the Chief Executive, had agreed that (1) the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - North Lanarkshire Local Plan 2013/2014 be approved, and (2) the Fire and Rescue Plan be referred to this Local Area Partnership for consideration, the Local Area Partnership considered the report.

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

CONVENER'S REMARKS

12. The Convener informed the Local Area Partnership of a consultation which would be taking place on Thursday, 2 May 2013 in Shotts Fire Station regarding the future of Stane Gardens, Shotts.

DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

13. The Convener intimated that the next meeting of the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee would take place on Wednesday, 31 July 2013 at 2 pm in Wishaw Library.

Wishaw, 17 April 2013 at 3.20 pm.

A Meeting of the WISHAW AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Love, Convener; Councillors Cefferty, Cochrane, Fellows, McKendrick, Shevlin and Taggart.

CHAIR

Councillor Love (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer and Clerical Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), Corporate Services; Local Regeneration Manager and Senior Planner, Environmental Services and Area Manager, Project Manager and Service Delivery Manager and Housing Advisor, Housing and Social Work Services.

APOLOGIES

Provost Robertson, and Councillors Hume and McKay.

1. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. The meeting noted that there were no declarations of interest.

The Convener exercised his discretion and varied the Order of Business as hereinafter Minuted.

2. CONSIDER DECISIONS OF MEETING OF THE WISHAW AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 17 APRIL 2013

The Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership at its meeting held on 17 April 2013 and agreed in respect of each item, the following:-

(1) JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

Decided:

- (1) that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Local Area Partnership regarding the outcomes for priority Ward 20;
- (2) that the Area Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, North Lanarkshire Council forward the Action Plan from the Tenant Led Inspections to any Elected Member who requested it, and
- (3) that the terms of the report be noted.

(2) **NHS LANARKSHIRE – NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP – NORTH EAST UNIT**

Decided:

- (1) that a further report be submitted to a future meeting of the Local Area Partnership on the progress of the new NHS/Council Centre in Wishaw, and
- (2) that the terms of the report be noted.

(3) **WISHAW, MURDOSTOUN AND FORTISSAT COMMUNITY FORUM – MINUTE AND UPDATE REPORT**

Decided: that the terms of the Minute and update report be noted.

(4) **NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD MINUTE**

Decided: that the terms of the Minute be noted.

(5) **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2012/2013**

Decided:

- (1) that progress with the 2012/2013 Programme including Estate Based Initiatives as highlighted within Appendix 1 to the report by the Executive Director of Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council be noted;
- (2) that the Local Development Programme for 2013/2014 including new and Estate Based Initiative projects and budget reduction as highlighted within Appendix 2 to the report be approved;
- (3) that the “Holding List” of projects, as highlighted within Appendix 3 to the report, be approved;
- (4) that further progress on the current and proposed projects be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership;
- (5) that the Local Regeneration Manager, Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council consult with school pupils from the four secondary schools within the area regarding their views and ideas on possible projects for their community, and
- (6) that otherwise the terms of the report be noted.

(6) **WISHAW TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN – UPDATE**

Decided:

- (1) that the progress made on the projects and initiatives contained within the Wishaw Town Centre Action Plan be noted, and
 - (2) that the terms of the report be noted.
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(7) RESHAPING CARE FOR OLDER PEOPLE: PROGRESS REPORT

Decided:

- (1) that it be requested that the use of the word "Pathway" within the report be changed to a more appropriate term in future reports, and
- (2) that the terms of the report be noted.

(8) REMIT FROM LEARNING AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE - 6 FEBRUARY 2013 – REMOVAL OF THE PLAY AREA AT SHOTTS LEISURE CENTRE, HIGH STREET, SHOTTS

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

(9) REMITS FROM POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE OF 14 MARCH 2013

(a) SCOTTISH POLICE SERVICE – NORTH LANARKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2013-2014

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

(b) SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE - NORTH LANARKSHIRE LOCAL PLAN 2013-2014

Decided: that the terms of the report be noted.

(10) CONVENER'S REMARKS

Decided: the Convener informed the Local Area Partnership/Area Committee of a consultation which would be taking place on Thursday, 2 May 2013 in Shotts Fire Station regarding the future of Stane Gardens, Shotts.

(11) DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING

Decided: that the next meeting of the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee would take place on Wednesday, 31 July 2013 at 2 pm in Wishaw Library.