

To: COATBRIDGE LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP	Subject: LOCAL AREA TEAM ACTION PLANS – YEAR END UPDATE	
From: HEAD OF PLANNING AND REGENERATION		
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1. Purpose of Report

The purpose of this report is to provide a progress update for the 2013/14 Coatbridge Local Area Team Action Plan and outline key priorities for the 2014/15 Action Plan for the area.

2. Background

The Local Area Teams (LATs) developed Action Plans to

- Translate strategic priorities (SOA/Community Plan) to local action that impacts on communities
- Provide a focus and reporting tool for the work of the LATs
- Support the delivery of partnership- priority actions locally

Quarterly monitoring reports are produced and updates are reported to NLP Board and LAP's every six months.

3. 2013/14 Updates

Partners worked with community representatives to develop and deliver actions linked to key priorities for Coatbridge. Some of the key achievements for the year include

- Casualty reduction: The delivery of training to Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to improve awareness of adults and children at risk of harm. Police Scotland collaborated with NLC Roads and Transportation to influence driver behaviour in specific locations in Coatbridge, following review the success of this work is now being used as a model of good practice to address similar issues in other areas. Information has been distributed to all Community Learning and Development Youth Workers to raise awareness of the local issues relating to wilful fire raising and to initiate discussion on approaches and interventions to addressing these.
- The Friday Night Football group in the Shawhead area, previously led by Liber8 has now been transferred to Community Learning and Development. This and the 16+ Activity Agreement programme for local young people not in employment, education or training form part of a programme of services and activities for Young People in the area. The new Out of Hours Anti-Social Behaviour Response Team has been undertaking pro-active patrols of Shawhead and issues identified are reported to the LAT for consideration and discussion. Some improvements as a result of the patrols include planned upgrades to street lighting and new security lighting to be attached to buildings.
- Following the completion of Phase 1 of the Best Bar None initiative, training for local businesses is now complete. Local businesses have reported a positive impact as a result of their involvement with the initiative and the Phase 2 programme has been agreed.
- Targeted Streetwork interventions targeted to the 'Basin' have been successful in assisting with alleviating identified youth disorder issues in the area. Additional, targeted Streetwork will continue during the summer period when incidents of youth disorder tend to rise.

A new out of hours anti social behaviour process is now in place with day and night hubs operational. The development of new IT systems to support this is nearing completion. While there are still some issues reports of anti-social behaviour have generally reduced.

- A representative from the Youth Forum now regularly attends Community Forum meetings. This has been beneficial in strengthening the links between the Community and Youth Forums and as a result joint actions have been identified. The Hawaiian Beach Party was used as an opportunity to engage local people with the Coatbridge Youth Forum using the event to raise awareness of their work and undertake a survey with 163 questionnaires completed on the day. As a result of the survey Coatbridge Community Forum will be looking at issues around provision for young people in the town centre and town centre safety.

4. 2014/15 Action Plan priorities

Following a review session with Local Area Team (LAT) members and Community representatives, key priorities and actions for the 2014/15 LAT Action Plan have been agreed. Examples include

- Provision of a range of support for vulnerable young people aged between 16 -25 years with their own tenancies that will enable them to develop the knowledge, skills and confidence to successfully sustain their tenancies.
- Commonwealth Games - Summer Programme
- Road Safety Initiatives including information sharing, promotion of cut it out and a 20's Plenty Sticker Initiative for use on wheelie bins
- The delivery of a Festive safety campaign building on the success of the 13/14 initiative.
- Secondary Fire and Wheelie bin initiative

A detailed copy of the LAT Action Plan can be accessed by contacting Michele Battersby, Local Regeneration Manager.

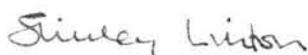
5. Reporting

A monitoring and reporting process for the LAT Action Plans was established last year and will continue to include

- Quarterly updates from Local Area Teams
- 6 monthly reports to LAPs and NLP Board
- Regular reporting on Local community Planning Indicators through Perform NL
- Links to themed working groups
- Annual review of LAT Action Plan and update with partners and community representatives

6. Recommendations

It is recommended that the Local Area Partnership members note the content of this report and agree the key priorities highlighted.



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