

NORTH LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP – 6 August 2015

St. Patrick's Primary School, Backbrae Street, Kilsyth, 6 August 2015 at 6 pm.

A Meeting of the NORTH LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP

PRESENT

Councillor Grant, Convener; Councillors Chadha, Goldie, Graham, W. Hogg, Irvine, Jones, McLaren, McVey, Masterton and Stevenson, North Lanarkshire Council; Billy Lees, Cumbernauld Community Forum; Paul Carter, Kilsyth Community Forum; Marvyn Mackay, Northern Community Forum; Evelyn Ryan, NHS Lanarkshire; David Bruce, Police Scotland; Gordon McGuire, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, and Adam Smith, Voluntary Sector.

CHAIR

Councillor Grant (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

L. Dysart, Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services), J. Smith, Local Regeneration Manager, L. Bowden, Business Manager, Strategic Planning, and Paul Kane, Development and Funding Officer, Regeneration and Environmental Services.

APOLOGIES

Councillors. P. Hogg, McCulloch and Wallace.

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 to vary the order of business as hereinafter Minuted.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE YOUTH INVESTMENT PROGRAMME - UPDATE

2. There was submitted a report dated 25 June 2015 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration (1) outlining the background to the Youth Investment Programme which was launched to tackle youth unemployment in North Lanarkshire; (2) indicating that the target for the Programme was to support 5,000 unemployed residents back to work over three years via Apprenticeships, the Extra Hands Project and the New Start Programme; (3) indicating that the employment rate and youth unemployment rate in Cumbernauld was lower than the North Lanarkshire and national averages; (4) informing that to date 505 individuals had been supported into employment in the North area; (5) advising that while the figures show that North area as a whole has currently an appropriate share of youth investment jobs, initial results demonstrate the need to focus on Kilsyth to ensure that this area of high unemployment fully benefits for the Programme; (6) proving an overview of the work undertaken and the employability support services provided by Routes to Work to residents within the North area, and (7) indicating that the Local Area Team would assist in delivering the objectives of the Programme by promoting the Programme to employers and young people in most need, assisting with the registration applications and getting young people motivated and job ready.

Thereon, Paul Kane was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

PRESENTATION – SCOTTISH WILDLIFE TRUST

3. Ian MacKenzie, Scottish Wildlife Trust provided a short presentation on the Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project which had a long term vision to transform the town's environment.

Thereon, Ian MacKenzie intimated that the project would reinforce and expand existing green networks and reconnect the people of Cumbernauld to their natural environment and set out a number of ways in which the Local Area Partnership could assist and help the project including providing funding and establishing links to business in the Cumbernauld area.

Thereon, following discussion, it was agreed that consideration would be given to providing funding for the project from the Local Development Programme should there be slippage from the 2015/2016 programme.

Decided: that the terms of the presentation be noted.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF NORTH LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP AND NORTH AREA COMMITTEE HELD ON 9 APRIL 2015

4. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of North Local Area Partnership and North Area Committee held on 9 April 2015.

Decided: that the Minutes be noted.

MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2015

5. There was submitted the Minute of meeting of the North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 18 February 2015.

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP – NORTH LOCALITY

6. There was submitted a report dated June 2015 by Evelyn Ryan, Service Manager, North Locality, NHS Lanarkshire providing an update in relation to NHS Lanarkshire Out of Hours Consultation, the refurbishment of the Operating Theatres and Intensive Care Unit at Monklands Hospital, Welfare Rights, Kilsyth Community Health Centre, Electronic Cigarettes, Youth Diversionary Activities and Young Person's Sexual Health Drop-In Clinic.

Thereon, Evelyn Ryan was heard in further explanation of the report and following discussion it was agreed that Calum Campbell, Chief Executive, NHS Lanarkshire be invited to the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership.

Decided:

- (1) that Calum Campbell, Chief Executive, NHS Lanarkshire be invited to the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership, and
- (2) that the report be otherwise noted.

MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF COMMUNITY FORUMS

(1) CUMBERNAULD COMMUNITY FORUM

7. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of Cumbernauld Community Forum held on 12 May 2015.

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

(2) KILSYTH AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM

8. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of Kilsyth and Villages Community Forum held on 20 April 2015.

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

(3) NORTHERN CORRIDOR COMMUNITY FORUM

9. There was submitted the Minute of the meeting of the Northern Corridor Community Forum held on 21 April 2015.

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

COMMUNITY FORUMS – UPDATE

(1) CUMBERNAULD COMMUNITY FORUM

10. There was submitted a report dated August 2015 by Cumbernauld Community Forum (1) providing an overview of the Community Forum's activities and actions; (2) outlining a number of issues which had been highlighted by the Forum, and (3) summarising the Community Forum's achievements and new developments.

Thereon, Billy Lees was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

(2) KILSYTH AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM

11. There was submitted a report dated August 2015 by Kilsyth and Villages Community Forum (1) providing an overview of the Community Forum's activities and actions; (2) outlining a number of issues which had been highlighted by the Forum, and (3) summarising the Community Forum's achievements and new developments.

Thereon, Paul Carter was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

(3) NORTHERN CORRIDOR COMMUNITY FORUM

12. There was submitted a report dated 6 August 2015 by Northern Corridor Community Forum (1) providing an overview of the Community Forum's activities and actions; (2) outlining a number of issues which had been highlighted by the Forum, and (3) summarising the Community Forum's achievements and new developments.

Thereon, Marvyn Mackay was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

13. There was submitted a report dated 30 July 2015 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration advising of a number of initiatives and measures taken in partnership with local agencies to minimise the level of crime in the area, and providing details thereon.

Thereon, David Bruce and Gordon McGuire were heard in further explanation of the report and responded to questions from Members of the Local Area Partnership.

Decided: that the report be noted.

THIRD SECTOR UPDATE

14. There was submitted a report (tabled) dated July 2015 by North Lanarkshire Voluntary Sector Partnership Group (1) advising of a number of projects and initiatives undertaken by the Third Sector in the North Area for the period up to June 2015, and (2) providing details thereon.

Thereon, Adam Smith was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

CUMBERNAULD AND KILSYTH TOWN CENTRE - UPDATE

15. With reference to paragraph 13 of the Minute of the meeting of the Local Area Partnership held on 9 April 2015, there was submitted a report dated 25 June 2015 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration (1) providing an update in relation to the progress made in respect of the regeneration of Cumbernauld and Kilsyth Town Centres, including Cumbernauld Bus Stances and Cumbernauld Town Centre pedestrian underpasses, and (2) setting out details of Town Centre activity including active businesses, vacancy rates and footfall, together with a comparison with other Town Centres within North Lanarkshire.

Thereon, Lorna Bowden was heard in further explanation of the report.

Following discussion, it was agreed that the owners of Cumbernauld Town Centre be invited to the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership to provide an update on their plan for the part of the Town Centre in their ownership.

Decided:

- (1) that the owners of Cumbernauld Town Centre be invited to the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership to provide an update on their future plans for the part of the Town Centre within their ownership, and
- (2) that the report be otherwise noted.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

16. With reference to paragraph 14 of the Minute of the meeting of North Local Area Partnership held on 9 April 2015, there was submitted a report dated 25 June 2015 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration setting out (1) in Appendix 1 to the report an update on the progress of the Local Development Programme Initiatives for delivery in 2014/15, and (2) in Appendix 2 to the report, an update on the progress of the Local Development Programme Initiatives for delivery in 2015/16.

Thereon, Jonathan Smith was heard in further explanation of the report.

Following discussion on the Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project it was proposed that £12,000 be provided for the project from the Local Development Programme 2015/16 should there be slippage in the Programme.

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

- (1) that the Local Development Programme projects for delivery in 2014/15 and 2015/16 as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report be approved, subject to the contribution of £12,000 to the Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project should there be slippage in the Programme 2015/16, and
- (2) that the progress in delivering the projects and further alterations or additions to the Programme be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership

NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT, INDUCTION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STATEMENT

17. Jonathan Smith, Local Regeneration Manager, North Lanarkshire Council provided a presentation on the development of a Partnership Agreement and Induction Process for those involved at all levels of Community Planning Structures and informed of the:-

- Partnership Agreement/Induction Process
- Organisational Responsibility for Delivery of Process
- Implications for Organisations
- Proposed Timescales, and
- Further Consideration.

Thereon, there was submitted a report dated 19 August 2015 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council regarding an update on the development of a Partnership Agreement and the Induction Process for all elements of North Lanarkshire Community Planning Structures (1) outlining the background to the Partnership Agreement/Induction Process and its challenges; (2) explaining that it was recognised that there was a need to further develop processes

to address a number of challenges, and to assist this task a number of documents had been drafted, which were attached as Appendices to the report; (3) intimating within the report, the Community Engagement Statement and the proposed process; (4) detailing within the report all progress and feedback to date, and (5) highlighting the next planned steps.

Jonathan Smith, Local Regeneration Manager responded to Members' questions and the Convener thanked her for the informative presentation.

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

- (1) that the presentation be noted;
- (2) that the report and the Appendices to the report be approved;
- (3) that the development and effective delivery of a comprehensive Community Planning Partnership Agreement and Induction Process be agreed and supported, and
- (4) that the report be noted.

LOCAL AREA TEAM ACTION PLANS – YEAR END UPDATE

18. There was submitted a report dated 28 July 2015 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration providing an update on the progress of the North Local Area Team Action Plan and outlining the key priorities for 2015/16 (1) setting out a number of the key achievements in conjunction with partner agencies in 2014/15; (2) providing a number of Action Plan priorities for 2015/16 which had been agreed by the Local Area Team, and (3) giving details of the monitoring and reporting process for the Local Area Team Action Plan.

Thereon, Jonathan Smith was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

St. Patrick's Primary School, Backbrae Street, Kilsyth, 6 August 2015 at 7.40 pm.

A Meeting of the NORTH AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Grant, Convener; Councillors Chadha, Goldie, Graham, W. Hogg, Irvine, Jones, McLaren, McVey, Masterton and Stevenson.

CHAIR

Councillor Grant (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Committee and Civic Governance Services); Local Regeneration Manager, Business Manager (Strategic Planning) and Development and Funding Officer, Regeneration and Environmental Services; B. Lees, Cumbernauld Community Forum; P. Carter, Kilsyth Community Forum; M. MacKay, Northern Community Forum; E. Ryan, NHS Lanarkshire; D. Bruce, Police Scotland; G. McGuire, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, and A. Smith, Voluntary Sector.

APOLOGIES

Councillors P. Hogg, McCulloch and Wallace.

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.

2. CONSIDER DECISIONS OF MEETING OF THE NORTH LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 6 AUGUST 2015

The Area Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the North Local Area Partnership, at its meeting held on 6 August 2015, and agreed in respect of each item, the following:

(1) NORTH LANARKSHIRE YOUTH INVESTMENT PROGRAMME - UPDATE

Decided: that the report be noted.

(2) PRESENTATION – SCOTTISH WILDLIFE TRUST

Decided: that the terms of the presentation be noted.

(3) MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF NORTH LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP AND NORTH AREA COMMITTEE HELD ON 9 APRIL 2015

Decided: that the Minutes be noted.

(4) MINUTE OF MEETING OF THE NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD HELD ON 18 FEBRUARY 2015

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

(5) NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP – NORTH LOCALITY

Decided:

(1) that Calum Campbell, Chief Executive, NHS Lanarkshire be invited to the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership, and

(2) that the report be otherwise noted.

(6) MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF COMMUNITY FORUMS

(a) CUMBERNAULD COMMUNITY FORUM

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

(b) KILSYTH AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

(c) NORTHERN CORRIDOR COMMUNITY FORUM

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

(7) COMMUNITY FORUMS – UPDATE

(a) CUMBERNAULD COMMUNITY FORUM

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(b) KILSYTH AND VILLAGES COMMUNITY FORUM

Decided: that the report be noted.

(c) NORTHERN CORRIDOR COMMUNITY FORUM

Decided: that the report be noted.

(8) JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

Decided: that the report be noted.

(9) THIRD SECTOR UPDATE

Decided: that the report be noted.

(10) CUMBERNAULD AND KILSYTH TOWN CENTRE - UPDATE

Decided:

(1) that the owners of Cumbernauld Town Centre be invited to the next meeting of the Local Area Partnership to provide an update on their future plans for the part of the Town Centre within their ownership, and

(2) that the report be otherwise noted.

(11) LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Decided:

(1) that the Local Development Programme projects for delivery in 2014/15 and 2015/16 as detailed in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report be approved, subject to the contribution of £12,000 to the Cumbernauld Living Landscape Project should there be slippage in the Programme 2015/16, and

(2) that the progress in delivering the projects and further alterations or additions to the Programme be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership

(12) NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT, INDUCTION AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT STATEMENT

Decided:

(1) that the presentation be noted;

(2) that the report and the Appendices to the report be approved;

(3) that the development and effective delivery of a comprehensive Community Planning Partnership Agreement and Induction Process be agreed and supported, and

(4) that the report be noted.

(13) LOCAL AREA TEAM ACTION PLANS – YEAR END UPDATE

Decided: that the report be noted.