

MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP – 20 January 2016

Motherwell, 20 January 2016 at 10 am.

A Meeting of the MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP

PRESENT

Councillor Nolan, Convener; Councillors Harmon, Kelly, Lunny, P. O'Rourke, Alan Valentine and Annette Valentine, North Lanarkshire Council; A. Coia, NHS Lanarkshire; Inspector A. Anderson, Police Scotland; B. Hughes, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, and M. Thomson, Voluntary Sector.

CHAIR

Councillor Nolan (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

M. Shankland, Administrative Officer (Democratic and Legal Services); L. Anderson, Area Housing Manager; M. Battersby, Local Regeneration Manager, and L. Ogilvy, Senior Planning Officer.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE

M. Hay, Continuous Improvement Officer; A. McKinney, Head Teacher, Muir Street Primary School, and A. Muir, Employability Development Co-ordinator.

APOLOGIES

Councillors McKenna and G. O'Rorke.

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

1. No declarations were made.

The Convener exercised his discretion to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

HMI INSPECTION OF MUIR STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

2. There was submitted a report dated 8 January 2016 by the Head of Education (Standards and Inclusion) (1) advising of the outcome of the recent HMI Inspection of Muir Street Primary School; (2) detailing the background relative thereto, and (3) attaching in the Appendix to the report, the letter from Education Scotland reporting on the inspection which was published on 5 December 2015 detailing the strengths and points for action.

The Partnership then received a presentation by M. Hay and A. McKinney, Head Teacher, which provided details of:-

- how well the children learn and achieve;
 - how well does the school support children to develop and learn;
 - how well does the school improve the quality of its work;
 - the key strengths identified by the inspection;
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- how we might continue to improve the school;
- overall evaluations, and
- overall message.

Thereon M. Hay and A. McKinney responded to Members' questions following which the Convener thanked them for the presentation.

Decided: that the letter by Education Scotland, attached to the report, be noted.

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3. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee held on 5 October 2015.

Decided: that the Minutes of the meetings of Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee held on 5 October be noted.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD - MINUTES

4. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 19 August and 21 October 2015.

Decided: that the Minutes of the meetings of North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 19 August and 21 October 2015 be noted.

MEETINGS OF MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE DURING APRIL AND OCTOBER 2016

5. There was submitted a report dated 20 January 2016 by the Head of Democratic and Legal Services (1) proposing that the date for the meetings of Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee due to be held on Wednesday, 13 April and Wednesday, 19 October 2016 be rescheduled to Monday, 18 April and Monday, 24 October 2016 at 10 am, and (2) providing details thereon.

Decided: that it be agreed that the date of the meetings of the Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee be rescheduled from 13 April to 18 April 2016 and from 19 October to 24 October 2016 both at 10 am.

LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

6. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of this Partnership held on 5 October 2015, when an update on the progress of the Local Development Programme had been noted, there was submitted a report dated 20 January 2016 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council (1) providing an update on the progress of the 2014/15 Local Development Programme, as contained within Appendix 1 of the report, including approved projects for 2015/16, as contained within Appendix 2 of the report; (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) setting out (a) within Appendix 3 of the report, the proposed 2015/16 Estate Based Initiative Programme, and (b) within Appendix 4 of the report, the proposed projects for investment in 2016/17.
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Decided: that it be recommended that the Area Committee note:-

- (1) the progress of the 2014/15 Local Development Programme;
- (2) the progress of the 2015/16 Estate Based Initiatives;
- (3) the proposed projects for 2016/17, and
- (4) that further updates would be submitted to future meetings of this Partnership.

MOTHERWELL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

7. With reference to paragraph 6 of the Minute of the meeting of this Partnership held on 5 October 2015, when an update on the Motherwell Town Centre Action Plan had been noted, there was submitted a report dated 13 January 2016 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council (1) providing a further update on the delivery of the Motherwell Town Centre Action Plan projects and Town Centre Activities initiatives (2) advising (a) that Planning Aid Scotland's report of the Motherwell Charrette had been circulated to Community Planning partners and posted online following its publication in December 2015, and (b) that the Town Centre Framework and Action Plan had been finalised to incorporate the Charrette project ideas and findings; (3) outlining the progress of the environmental improvement work (a) at Motherwell Cathedral/Coursington Road, and (b) for the pedestrian way finding project, and (4) summarising a number of Town Centre Activities initiatives.

Decided: that the report be noted.

JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

8. There was submitted a report dated 20 January 2016 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council (1) providing an update on the progress of the current joint work on community safety undertaken by the Council's Housing and Social Work Services, Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; (2) detailing the background relative thereto; (3) outlining some of the activities reflecting positive outcomes in the area; and (4) attaching, in the Appendix to the report, a summary of the Community Safety Sub-Groups sharepoint summary for the electoral wards in the Partnership.

Thereon, Lorraine Anderson, Area Manager, Housing and Social Work Services, Inspector Anderson, Police Scotland and Brian Hughes, Scottish Fire and Rescue orally provided the Partnership with further details on initiatives undertaken.

Decided: that the report be noted.

LOCAL AREA TEAM ACTION PLANS

9. There was submitted a report dated 20 January 2016 by Head of Planning and Regeneration (1) providing an update on key local Community Planning developments identified within the Motherwell Local Area Team Action Plan for the period April to September 2015; (2) detailing the background relative thereto, and (3) setting out examples of key achievements for the period.

Decided: that the report be noted.

MOTHERWELL COMMUNITY FORUM

10. There was submitted a paper by Motherwell Community Forum providing the Partnership with an update on activities of the Forum since the last meeting of the Partnership.

Decided: that the paper be noted.

NHS LANARKSHIRE - NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP - NORTH LOCALITY

11. There was submitted a paper by the Locality Services Manager, Health Improvement Team, NHS Lanarkshire (1) advising of the projects and initiatives undertaken within the North Community Health Partnership, Motherwell Locality, and (2) providing details thereon.

Thereon, Anita Coia was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided:

- (1) that a presentation on "health visiting" be presented to the next meeting of this Partnership, and
(2) that the paper be otherwise noted.

THIRD SECTOR UPDATE REPORT

12. There was submitted a report by Michelle Thomson, Third Sector Representative (1) advising of projects and initiatives undertaken by the Third Sector up to December 2015, and (2) providing details thereon.

Thereon, Michelle Thomson was heard in further explanation of the report.

Decided: that the report be noted.

The Convener being of the view that the following item of business was relevant and competent, authorised its consideration to enable the Council to progress the item timeously.

NORTH LANARKSHIRE'S YOUTH INVESTMENT PROGRAMME – UPDATE

13. There was submitted a report dated 20 January 2016 by the Executive Director of Regeneration and Environmental Services, North Lanarkshire Council (1) outlining the background to the Programme which was launched to tackle youth unemployment in North Lanarkshire; (2) providing a breakdown of unemployment rates within the Motherwell and District area on a Ward basis, together with a comparison to the North Lanarkshire and national averages; (3) informing that, to date, 1,022 individuals had been supported into employment from the Motherwell and District area; (4) advising that, while the figures reflected that the Wishaw and District Local Area Partnership area, as a whole, had an appropriate share of Youth Investment jobs, results in the Fortissat and Murdostoun Wards showed that there was still a higher rate of youth unemployment in those Wards than the Wishaw Ward, and (5) proposing (a) that, to ensure a good uptake, public services which had contact with young people such as Housing, Social Work, Health and Police promote the Youth Investment Programme via their front-line staff who could make referrals, and (b) that at Local Area Team meetings, an offer to provide employability training or presentations to front-line staff was available.

Adele Muir, North Lanarkshire Council outlined the main aspects of the report, and responded to Members' questions.

Thereafter, the Convener commended the work undertaken by Adele and her colleagues.

Decided:

- (1) that the progress made in delivering the Employability Services, detailed within the report, be noted, and
- (2) that the report be otherwise noted.

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Motherwell, 20 January 2016 at 11.10 am.

A Meeting of the MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT AREA COMMITTEE

PRESENT

Councillor Nolan, Convener; Councillors Harmon, Kelly, Lunny, P. O'Rourke, Alan Valentine and Annette Valentine.

CHAIR

Councillor Nolan (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

The Administrative Officer (Democratic and Legal Services), Area Housing Manager, Local Regeneration Manager and Senior Planning Officer.

APOLOGIES

Councillors McKenna and G. O'Rorke.

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

No declarations were made.

The Convener exercised his discretion to vary the order of business as hereinafter minuted.

2. CONSIDER DECISIONS OF MEETING OF THE MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2016

The Committee gave consideration to the recommendations made by the Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership at its meeting held on 20 January 2016 and agreed in respect of each item, the following:-

(1) HMI INSPECTION OF MUIR STREET PRIMARY SCHOOL

Decided: that the letter by Education Scotland, attached to the report, be noted.

(2) MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE – MINUTES

Decided: that the Minutes of the meetings of Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee held on 5 October be noted.

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(3) NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD - MINUTES

Decided: that the Minutes of the meetings of North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 19 August and 21 October 2015 be noted.

(4) MEETINGS OF MOTHERWELL AND DISTRICT LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP/AREA COMMITTEE DURING APRIL AND OCTOBER 2016

Decided: that it be agreed that the date of the meetings of the Motherwell and District Local Area Partnership/Area Committee be rescheduled from 13 April to 18 April 2016 and from 19 October to 24 October 2016 both at 10 am.

(5) LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Decided:

- (1) the progress of the 2014/15 Local Development Programme;
- (2) the progress of the 2015/16 Estate Based Initiatives;
- (3) the proposed projects for 2016/17, and
- (4) that further updates would be submitted to future meetings of this Partnership.

(6) MOTHERWELL TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

Decided: that the report be noted.

(7) JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

Decided: that the report be noted.

(8) LOCAL AREA TEAM ACTION PLANS

Decided: that the report be noted.

(9) MOTHERWELL COMMUNITY FORUM

Decided: that the paper be noted.

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(10) NHS LANARKSHIRE - NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP - NORTH LOCALITY

Decided:

- (1) that a presentation on "health visiting" be presented to the next meeting of this Partnership, and
- (2) that the paper be otherwise noted.

(11) THIRD SECTOR UPDATE REPORT

Decided: that the report be noted.

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