

**Airdrie, 22 October 2014 at 2 pm.**

**A Meeting of the AIRDRIE LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP**

**PRESENT**

Councillor Morgan, Convener; Councillors Beveridge, Curley, Fagan, Stocks and Sullivan, North Lanarkshire Council; Maggs Thomson, NHS Lanarkshire; Graeme Binning and John McShane, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Chief Inspector Gavin Russell and Gavin Aitken, Police Scotland, and Morag Thomson and Craig Russell, Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire.

**CHAIR**

Councillor Morgan (Convener) presided.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Lesley Deverick, Committee Officer, Corporate Services; Chris O'Neill, Service Delivery Manager, Gillian Whitehead, Area Manager, and Sam McKay, Social Work Manager, Housing and Social Work Services; Martin Dickson, Local Regeneration Manager; Lorna Ogilvie, Senior Planning Officer, and Andy Wyatt, Transportation Officer, Regeneration and Environmental Services, and Head of Community Information and Learning.

**APOLOGIES**

Councillors. A. Coyle, M. Coyle, Logue and Spowart.

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

1. Declarations of interest were received from Members, details of which are set out below:-

Councillor Morgan, in respect of paragraph 7, of an interest by virtue of the nature of his wife's employment, and

Councillor Fagan, in respect of paragraph 7, of an interest by virtue of being a member of Town Centres Activities Limited.

**MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF AIRDRIE LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP AND AREA COMMITTEE**

2. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the Airdrie Local Area Partnership and Area Committee held on 30 July 2014.

**Decided:** that the Minutes be noted.

**MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF THE NORTH LANARKSHIRE PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

3. There were submitted the Minutes of the meetings of the North Lanarkshire Partnership Board held on 4 June and 13 August 2014.

**Decided:** that the Minutes be noted.

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### NHS LANARKSHIRE - NORTH COMMUNITY HEALTH PARTNERSHIP - AIRDRIE LOCALITY

4. There was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie Area Committee held on 22 October 2014) dated 23 September 2014 by the Locality Service Manager, NHS Lanarkshire providing an update on Health Service initiatives within the Airdrie area.

The Local Area Partnership then heard Maggs Thomson, NHS Lanarkshire in supplement to the report. In respect of the development of the Lanarkshire Beatson Cancer Centre at Monklands District General Hospital, Ms. Thomson advised that the Head of Planning and Development, NHS Lanarkshire was willing to brief the Partnership on the development when the build programme was near to completion.

**Decided:** that the report be noted.

### THIRD SECTOR UPDATE REPORT

5. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie Local Area Partnership held on 30 July 2014, there was submitted a report dated October 2014 from the North Lanarkshire Voluntary Sector Partnership Group providing details of (1) voluntary sector locality network events which had been organised by Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire during August and September 2014; (2) the contribution of volunteers at the Glasgow 2014 Commonwealth Games; (3) a special Airdrie and Villages Area Get Involved in Local Community Planning: The Voluntary Sector Making a Contribution Event for voluntary sector delegates to be held in Gartlea Community Centre on 30 October 2014, and (4) third sector representation on the Local Area Partnership from 2015 to 2017.

The Local Area Partnership then heard Morag Thomson, VANL, in supplement to the report.

**Decided:** that the report be noted.

### PRESENTATION – OVERVIEW OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR IN THE AIRDRIE AND VILLAGES AREA

6. With reference to paragraph 5 of the Minute of the meeting of this Local Area Partnership held on 30 July 2014, the Convener introduced Craig Russell, Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire who provided an overview of the voluntary sector in the Airdrie and Villages area and provided details in respect of:-

- the numbers, activity and make-up of the local voluntary sector in the Airdrie area;
- the locality profile of the sector;
- details of the organisations active in the locality;
- the impact and value of local voluntary sector services;
- the contribution of the voluntary sector in respect of reshaping care for older people;
- the collaboration and networks which identified structures to enable the local voluntary sector to work together, and
- the third sector community planning improvement programme.

**Decided:** that the presentation be noted.

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Prior to consideration of the following item of business, Councillor Morgan, by virtue of his wife's employment, and Councillor Fagan by virtue of his membership of Town Centre Activities, each declared a non financial interest in the matter.

### AIRDRIE TOWN CENTRE ACTION PLAN

7. With reference to paragraph 9 of the Minute of the meeting of this Local Area Partnership held on 30 July 2014, there was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Area Committee held on 22 October 2014) dated 12 September 2014 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council (1) advising that consultation on the finalised draft of the Airdrie Town Centre Framework and Action Plan would take place during November and December 2014; (2) providing details of progress in relation to (a) the Council's revised bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund under its Townscape Heritage Programme, and (b) the re-submission of a listed building application to Historic Scotland for the lighting project at Sir John Wilson Town Hall, and (3) setting out statistical information provided by the Town Centre Activities Limited for all local partnership areas which showed that there was an increase in the footfall in Airdrie Town Centre for the period from April to June 2014 compared to the levels recorded in the period from January to March 2014, and in 2013/14.

Thereon, Lorna Ogilvie, Senior Planning Officer, North Lanarkshire Council, outlined the main points of the report and responded to Members' questions.

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

- (1) that a report on the status of (a) the listed building at 10 Bank Street; (b) the premises at 25 Broomknoll Street; (c) the Airdrie Arts Centre, and (d) the former Orr's building at South Bridge Street, be submitted to a future meeting of the Local Area Partnership, and
- (2) that the report be noted.

### JOINT COMMUNITY SAFETY REPORT

8. There was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie Area Committee held on 22 October 2014) dated 22 October 2014 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council, providing details of action taken by the Local Community Safety Sub-Group in relation to community safety issues in the Airdrie area for the period from April to September 2014.

The Local Area Partnership then heard Gillian Whitehead, North Lanarkshire Council, Chief Inspector Gavin Russell, Police Scotland, and Graeme Binning, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service in supplement to the report and in response to Members' questions.

**Decided:** that the report be noted.

### REMIT FROM LEARNING AND LEISURE SERVICES COMMITTEE OF 19 AUGUST 2014 – REVIEW OF COMMUNITY ACCESS TO AND USE OF NORTH LANARKSHIRE SCHOOLS AND ESTABLISHMENTS – PHASE 1

9. With reference to paragraph 11 of the Minute of the meeting of the Learning and Leisure Services Committee held on 19 August 2014, when that Committee had considered a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of that Committee) dated 4 August 2014 by the Head of Community Information and Learning which summarised the findings of Phase 1 of the review of community access to and use of North Lanarkshire schools and establishments and had agreed, inter alia, that the report be referred to the Local Area Partnership and Area Committees for their interest, there was submitted the said report.
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The Local Area Partnership then heard the Head of Community Information and Learning in supplement to the report and in response to members' questions. Thereon, the Head of Community Information and Learning advised that a further report on the findings of Phase 2 of the review would be submitted to a future meeting of the Learning and Leisure Services Committee for consideration.

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

- (1) that the Head of Community Information and Learning be requested to circulate the report to Community Councils within North Lanarkshire for their information, and
- (2) that the report be noted.

### **LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME 2013/14 AND 2014/15 AND ESTATE BASED INITIATIVES PROGRAMME 2014/15**

10. With reference to paragraph 10 of the Minute of the meeting of this Local Area Partnership held on 30 July 2014, there was submitted a report (docketed as relative to the Minute of the meeting of the Airdrie Area Committee held on 22 October 2014) dated 22 October 2014 by the Head of Planning and Regeneration, North Lanarkshire Council (1) detailing the criteria for projects to be included within the Local Development Programme; (2) setting out, in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report, the progress of the projects within the 2013/14 Programme and the 2014/15 Programme respectively; (3) providing in Appendix 3 to the report, proposals for the 2014/15 Estate Based Initiatives Programme.

The Local Area Partnership then heard Martin Dickson, Local Regeneration Manager, North Lanarkshire Council, in supplement to the report and in response to Members' questions.

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

- (1) that the progress in relation to the delivery of the projects within the Local Development Programme for 2013/14 and 2014/15, as detailed respectively in Appendices 1 and 2 to the report, be noted;
  - (2) that the Estate Based Initiatives Programme for 2014/15, as detailed in Appendix 3 to the report, be approved, and
  - (3) that further progress on the current and proposed projects be reported to future meetings of the Local Area Partnership.
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