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18 August 2021

NOTICE OF MEETING

A meeting of the **OBAN LORN & THE ISLES COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUP** will be held via **MICROSOFT TEAMS** on **WEDNESDAY, 25 AUGUST 2021** at **6:30 PM**, which you are requested to attend.

Douglas Hendry
Executive Director

BUSINESS

1. **WELCOME AND APOLOGIES**

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

(c) Islands Living Well Network (Mull and Iona, Tiree, Coll and Colonsay (Pages 25 - 26)

Update by Carol Flett, Islands Living Well Network Coordinator

(d) North Argyll Carers Centre Community Planning Update (Pages 27 - 28)

Update by Judith Hawcroft, North Argyll Carers Centre

(e) Opportunity for verbal updates by Community Planning Partners

6. CLIMATE CHANGE WORKING GROUP INVOLVEMENT OF AREA COMMUNITY PLANNING GROUPS (Pages 29 - 32)

The minute of the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group meeting held on Wednesday 17 February 2021 was approved as a correct record.

4.

The Group considered a briefing note which provided an overview of the discussion which took place at the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee meeting on 10 March 2021.

Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group noted the briefing note.

(Reference: Briefing note by Committee Manager, dated 12 May 2021, submitted)

5.

The Group gave consideration to a verbal update concerning the Action Plan Tracker and noted that the results from the Place Standard Engagement exercise that took place last year would be used to develop the action plans. Officers reported that short and focussed online workshops with partners would take place from August 2021 with the action plans being finalised by April 2022.

Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group considered and noted the information provided.

(Reference: Verbal Update by Community Planning Officer)

6.

The Group considered a briefing note which provided some detail around the current Covid-19 infection rates in Argyll and Bute and also gives some information on the uptake of Covid-19 vaccination.

Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group noted the briefing note.

(Reference: Briefing note by Committee Manager, dated 12 May 2021, submitted)

The Chair ruled, and the Group agreed, to take the items out of sequence in order to facilitate Partner attendance. The items were discussed in the order that they appear in the minute.

7.

(a) **Department of Works and Pensions**

The Group considered an update from the Department for Works and Pensions (DWP) which detailed their response to Covid-19 as well as various initiatives they are involved with including the Kickstart scheme, Virtual Youth Hub, Video Appointment Service and the launch of a new Universal Credit benefits checker.

Confirmation was sought and received on the positive impact of the easing of re-opens, creating job opportunities.

Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group;

1. considered and noted the information provided; and

2. agreed that, where appropriate, DWP Kickstart information would be shared amongst Partners.

(Reference: Update by Customer Service Leader - Department for Work and Pensions, dated March 2021, submitted)

(b) **Oban Communities Trust**

The Group considered a verbal update from Eleanor MacKinnon, Oban Communities Trust, in relation to The Rockfield Centre. The Group noted that the opening of the building was delayed due to Covid-19 but that the Centre continued to operate as a community anchor organisation by moving most of their activities online, which will remain the position until September 2021 when they hope to have a soft launch of the Centre and an official launch in April/May 2022. However, with more staff coming on board they aim to develop more face-to-face activities such as working with Atlantis Leisure Centre to facilitate a summer camp programme. It was also reported that the charity shop will be open from Thursday 13 May 2021 with an open day at The Rockfield Centre on Friday 21 May 2021 1pm-3pm and 4pm-6pm

(Reference: Update by Carol Flett, The Islands Living Well Network, dated 19 April 2021, submitted)

(d) **Opportunity for verbal updates by Community Planning Partners**

Crossroads - North Argyll Carers

Joan Best advised the Group that they had been very busy with referrals for respite for unpaid careers and are currently providing 150 hours a week. Discussion focussed on how lockdown had had an effect on the number of referrals. North Argyll Carers had placed an advert for staff on the islands but had not received any applications, Ms Best asked that anyone with an interest in securing a position to get in touch. The Group noted that they have a new Carers Act implementation officer, Kirsty McKenzie, who it is anticipated will attend future meetings of the Group.

Hope Kitchen

Catriona Petit advised the Group that the Greenshoots Garden has remained open

updating policy and procedures accordingly with information bulletins sent out via social media.

8.

(Reference: Report by Gaelic Development Worker, Argyll and Bute Council, dated 12 May 2021, submitted)

13.

(a) **UK - EU Post Transition**

(Reference: Verbal Update by Community Planning Officer)

15.

The Group considered a report on the opportunities and challenges in relation to informal camping.

Decision

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group;

1. noted the content of the report and progress to date;

2. agreed to continue to collaborate to try and address the challenges faced due to increased informal camping activity; and

3. noted that in absence of an officer the Committee Manager would take back any questions to the relevant officer and circulate any responses to the Group.

(Reference: Report by Executive Director with responsibility for Development and Economic Growth, dated 12 May 2021, submitted)

16.

The Group noted that the next meeting of the Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group would take place at 6.30pm on Wednesday 25 August 2021.

Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership

Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group

25 August 2021

Briefing Note: Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee which was held on

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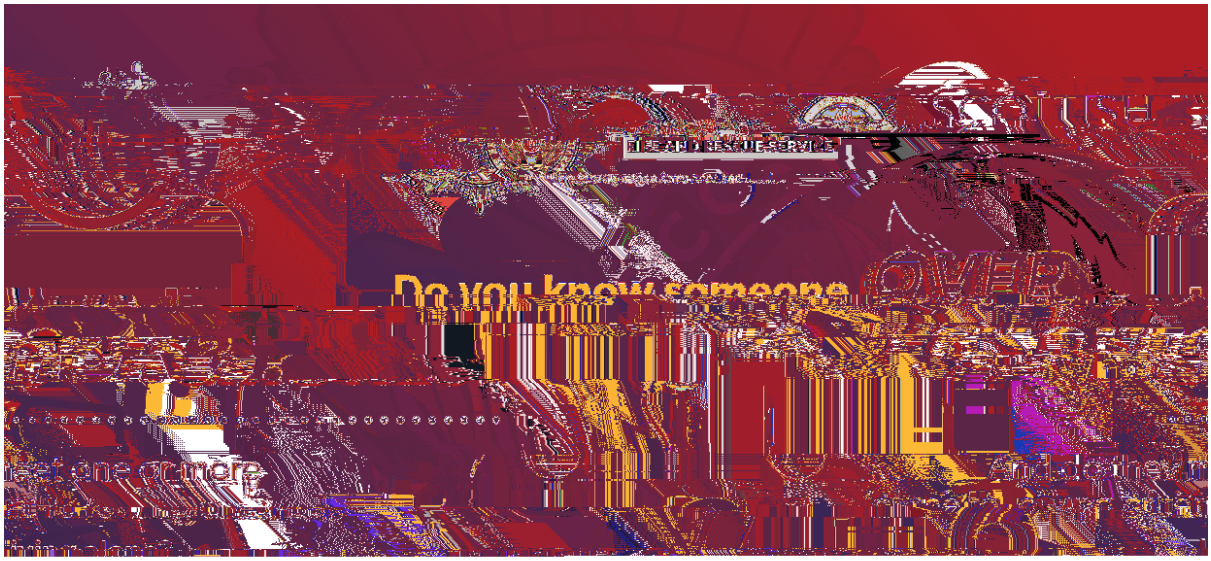

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Islands Living Well Network (Mull and Iona, Tiree, Coll and Colonsay) 30/07/2021

Quartlerly Meetings

The islands Living Well Network quarterly meetings are planned to avoid the busy summer months when many Island residents are very busy.

May 25th 2021

At our first quarterly meeting on May 25th 2021 by Zoom, the Islands Network chose the following 3 priorities to focus on this year;-

Emotional and Mental Wellbeing
Education, prevention and early intervention on alcohol and drugs
Child Poverty

5th October 2021, 10am till 11am.
This will be a shared session between the Smoking Cessation team and Jackie Barron (Dietician) and will support the additional 2 priorities of Smoking Cessation and Healthy Weight.

18th January 2022, 11am till 12 noon.
Cancer Awareness presentation by Christine Campbell ς Senior Cancer Awareness Nurse Scotland and Darragh Casey. The presentation lasts 40 minutes with time for questions. The presentation includes a focus on smoking and healthy weight and Christine has agreed to pay particular attention to these as the networks 2 additional priorities.

March 2022, date and time to be arranged
Louise Hall from Pain Association Scotland will be speaking about the work they do including monthly virtual sessions that are available to Island residents.
Plus two more Network Partners to be confirmed to share information about how they can support our network priorities.

Information to Network Members
Information will continue to be forwarded from mainland based Network Partners to Island based Network Members in individual e-mails. This is the preference of Network Members.

In addition to this, five documents will be compiled, one for each priority, detailing support available and listing links to relevant support organisations, agencies, charities etc. These will be circulated around Island based Network Members.
Emotional and Mental Wellbeing
Education, prevention and early intervention on alcohol and drugs
Child Poverty
Healthy Weight
Smoking Cessation

Current Island Based Network Members = 83
Current Mainland Based Network Partners = 83

Please pass on my contact details to anyone on the Islands who might like to join the Islands Living Well Network (Mull and Iona, Tiree, Coll and Colonsay). Please also pass on to any potential, mainland based Network Partners who might like to share information across the Islands (Mull and Iona, Tiree, Coll and Colonsay). Moving forward we hope to increase the information sharing and networking opportunities and connect more people from the Islands with relevant support.

Many Thanks
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Agenda Item 5d

North Argyll Carers Centre Community Planning Update - August 2021

With the lifting of restrictions we have been able to carry out a phased return to face to face support with carers at our centre on Albany Street. Initially we focused on provision of manual therapies for carers and cared-for as this service had not been available during lockdowns and clearly cannot be undertaken remotely. Demand was very high with many carers really feeling the physiological effects of increased caring demands and the ongoing stress of the last year. Staff returned to the centre from the start of June and from mid July we have begun an appointment system for carers who need to meet with our Adult Carer Support Workers face to face where remote support is not appropriate and home/garden visits not possible. This has

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Countryside Trust (act-now.org.uk) Any examples which the Group considers relevant can be collated and passed on to ACT Now.

Recommendations

The Area Community Planning Group is asked to:-

(1) Discuss the information outlined in the briefing and provide suggestions for actions for the Climate Change Working Group;
(2) Consider the nomination of a representative (and substitute) to represent the Oban, Lorn and the Isles

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