
Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership

Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group



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Briefing Note: Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee on 2nd December 2020. The briefing is for noting and relevant discussion.

Summary

The CPP Management Committee met on the 2nd December 2020 with the meeting being held virtually given the current restrictions which are in place in regard to public gatherings.

This was the second Management Committee meeting since the beginning of the restrictions. This update provides an overview of the discussion which took place.

Further information is available in the *meetings, minutes and agendas* section of: <https://www.argyll-bute.gov.uk/council-and-government/community-planning-partnership>

Highlights

Mhairi Paterson, CWB Coordinator, North Ayrshire Council (NAC) and Brian Connelly, Scottish Enterprise delivered a presentation on Community Wealth Building (CWB) as a new economic concept based on enhancing wellbeing and inclusion. The presentation provided background to the strategy and its objectives based on the five CWB pillars, the work undertaken thus far and planned next steps. Working closely with communities, local and regional anchor organisations and across silos was highlighted as a priority to ensure the successful delivery of social, economic and environmental benefits.

Joanna MacDonald, as Chair of the Child Poverty Working Group (CPWG), advised the Management Committee that Covid had impacted on child poverty in Argyll and Bute. The Child Poverty Action Plan report is due to be published in February 2021, and will be forwarded to the Scottish Government in due course.

David Rennie, Argyll and Bute Council, delivered a presentation regarding the ongoing work of the Climate Change Group which is looking to build on and promote the work being done by partners. The Group is also linked to the Council Climate Change Board. David advised that the Climate Change Group is keen to explore the wider climate change impacts and what else is happening in the wider communities. This approach would help support the establishment of a directory of the positive work on climate change being which would then be promoted.

Fergus Murray, Head of Development and Economic Growth - Argyll and Bute Council, gave an update on the issue of irresponsible wild camping. Since the last Management Committee there had been a meeting held with 15 different stakeholders to discuss this complex issue with a virtual survey being created to engage with, and get comment from, the local community to understand the impacts of wild camping and motor homes and to map existing assets and resources. The data gathered from the virtual survey will be used as a basis to fine tune a draft action plan that should be available early in 2021.

In response to concerns raised by the Helensburgh and Lomond Area Community Planning Group (ACPG) regarding the lack of clarity and guidance around befriending and the lack of communication with voluntary organisations Kirsteen Murray, Argyll & Bute Third Sector Interface, confirmed that this matter had been addressed. Kirsteen advised that the misunderstanding had arisen as the People Manager was representing the Council and HSCP, and consequently there would have been no separate communication from HSCP.

The Management Committee were asked
United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child legislation could make to decision making and engagement within the Community Planning Partnership framework by the Helensburgh and Lomond ACPG. Joanna MacDonald responded that children's rights underpins the work of the child poverty action group and provide a specific response to the group. Rona added that this was
Children's Forum (where the Outcome 4 Leadership Committee that welcome at ACPGs, with work haven been undertaken last year to

specific membership places for members of the Scottish Youth Parliament at the CPP Management Committee. Rona suggested that this could be revisited given the new digital format of meetings.

