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## Argyll and Bute Community Planning Partnership

### Mid Argyll, Kintyre and the Islands Area Community Planning Group



28 April 2021

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## Briefing Note: Community Planning Partnership Management Committee Update

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This briefing relates to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Management Committee on 10 March 2021. The briefing is for noting and relevant discussion.

### Summary

The CPP Management Committee met on the 10<sup>th</sup> March 2021 with the meeting being held virtually given the restrictions in place in regard to public gatherings.

This was the third 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

#### Cross Cutting Themes

In relation to Community Wealth Building it was noted that a number of workshops were planned to take place over the coming months with representation from community groups and youth representatives being highlighted as possible attendees. It was agreed that there would be 5 workshops organised and a recommendation was made to look at wider participation.

Joanna MacDonald provided detail on the last meeting of the Child Poverty Action Group with it being noted that the Council sees child poverty, and poverty in general, as a high priority.

In regard to the Climate Change Working Group it was noted that the process had begun to create an interactive web directory showing climate change action around Argyll and Bute. This webpage is scheduled to go live at the end of March. Samantha asked for any further examples of good climate change proactive work which can be included on the website to be sent on to her.



Water Safety  
Fraud  
Drug Deaths  
Children and Young People

The CPP commended the innovative partnership work being done on the strategy.

Alison McGrory provided an update on the Suicide Prevention Steering Group with it being noted that there was a need to appoint a new chair to replace Joanna who was leaving post shortly. Any volunteers for the post were asked to get in touch with Rona.

### Covid 19 Impact and Building Back Better

Discussion took place on the proposal for incorporation of Building Back Better (Communities) as a workstream for the CPP as a cross cutting theme. It was noted that partnership working was key to success and that it would be important to make better links with the Area Community Planning Groups and to have conversations with communities to create improved communication routes as part of the recovery strategy. It is proposed to incorporate these discussions into the discussions around the revision of the Area Community Planning Action Plans. Sarah Griffin provided a presentation on an analysis looking at the impact of Covid. She noted the impact on health and social care provision had included reduced visits to GPs, A&E and Out of Hours services; reduction in emergency and planned admissions to hospital; reduction in outpatients; reduction in cancer diagnoses; and reduction in cardiovascular services. Societal impacts had been enormous due to school closures, increased online abuse of youths, increased domestic violence against women and girls, and the impact of shielding and loneliness and increased inequalities for vulnerable groups. However, support for community resilience had increased.

Alison McGrory advised that the Social Mitigation strategy would be presented to the NHS Highland Board at the end of March and would be shared in due course.

### Promotion and consideration of Gaelic

Cristie Moore was in attendance and had submitted a paper to the committee on her remit to promote and support the growth of Gaelic in Argyll and Bute and to deliver the Gaelic Gathering. Partners were asked to share information on their Gaelic plans any provide any possible items for the Gaelic newsletter.

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