# MINUTES of MEETING of OBAN LORN & THE ISLEf

There were no declarations of interest intimated.

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# (a) Minutes of Oban Lorn and the Isles Community Planning Group - 27 April 2022

The Minute of the previous Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group, held on 27 April 2022, was approved as a correct record.

4.

The Area Community Planning Group were asked to nominate and consider appointing a Vice Chair Person to the Group. Ryan MacIntyre Young Member of the Scottish Parliament put himself forward.

The Committee Manager advised that as Mr MacIntyre was not a member of the Community Planning Group this would not be possible. The Committee Manager recommended that the membership of the Group could be considered at the next meeting of the Community Planning Group updating the membership to reflect Mr

#### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group agreed to continue this item to the next meeting in November 2022, to allow the Committee Manager to prepare an updated membership report.

5.

The Group gave consideration to a briefing note providing an overview of the discussion that took place at the Community Planning Partnership Management Committee which had met virtually on 22 June 2022.

Stuart McLean, Committee Manager spoke to the report highlighting updates on topics, Shaping Places for Wellbeing project; climate change and child poverty; financial inclusion; digital communities; Building Back Better; Outcome 6 People Live In Safer And Stronger Communities; upcoming Community Planning Partnership work; the annual report; revision of the Argyll and Bute Outcome Improvement Plan; MSYP; Levelling Up Fund; Outcome 1; Scottish Government Place Directors; and feedback on Digital Meeting Platform for the Community Planning Partnership.

#### **Decision**

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

(Reference: Report by Joan Best, Crossroads North Argyll, submitted)

# (g) Staycation Update - Oban Lorn and the Isles Area

The Group considered an update from the Staycation Officer which included a list of groups they had worked with over the summer months.

## Decision

#### Decision

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

- 1. considered and noted the information provided; and
- noted that in the absence of a representative from the Department for Work and Pensions, any questions would be forwarded to them for a response following the meeting.

(Reference: Report by Elizabeth McBrayne, Department for Work and Pensions, submitted)

# (j) Opportunity for Verbal Updates by Area Community Planning Group Partners

Skills Development Scotland (SDS)

with education in the schools to support leavers; a new colleague has started, Mark Harbitson, who will be covering Oban and Lochgilphead; SDS attended the Community Event in the Corran Halls for Ukrainian Refugees - 8 young people are attending Oban High School and St Columbas is the hub for the primary school aged children: and SDS are also supporting 4 individual cases of redundancy in the Oban Area.

(Reference: Verbal Update by Susan McRae, Skills Development Scotland)

#### **Hope Kitchen**

Catriona Petit advised that prior to the COVID pandemic footfall had increased to Hope Kitchen; a book club will be starting shortly; Greenshoots Garden at Glencruitten is available to organisations wanting to hold a small event; Miss Petit further advised that she is the Co-Chair of the Alcohol and Addiction Group along with Kenny Crosher of We are Here.

(Reference: Verbal Update by Catriona Petit, Hope Kitchen)

## **Young Carers**

Judith Hawcroft, on behalf of the Young Carers, reported that they currently have 711 registgered carers, of which 629 are actively supported and 82 are still registered and remain connected in but are not receiving regular emotional and practical support. 115 of active carers are young and young adult carers aged between 8 and 18. They also have 453 adult carers receiving ongoing support and 61 remain registered for bereavement support following the death of the person they cared for.

for the Training Programmes, with 36 in the OLI Area. The training

## (a) Sustaining Choice - Planning Aid Scotland - Verbal Update

An overview of Sustaining Choices was presented to the Group advising of the partners who are involved their aim being to give the residents of Oban a voice to decide what should be done to make travel choices more attractive and appealing. More engagement with the public is to take place, some data has been collected up to the end of August and it is hoped that a Community Action Plan can be produced. There are concerns over the route from Oban to Ganavan and Dunbeg to Oban as there has been more traffic activity recently.

Hands up Scotland are working with the Schools and how young people travel to school.

#### Decision

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

(Reference: Verbal Update by Becky Hothersall on behalf of Laura Corbe)

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## (a) Climate Change Working Group - Highlight Report

The Group gave consideration to a report highlighting the work undertaken by the Climate Change Working Group in relation to the production of a Climate Change Action Plan for Argyll and Bute.

#### **Decision**

The Oban, Lorn and the Isles Area Community Planning Group:-

- 1. noted the information provided and
- 2. Agreed that Climate Change Item be considered earlier at future meetings..

## (b) Opportunity for updates on community based initiatives

There were no verbal updates provided under this item.

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