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16 March

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DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

**Council Chambers,
Daar Road, Kirkcudbright, DG6 4JG
Friday 16 March 2018
10.00am-12.00noon**

Members

- Chair** - Leader
Elaine Murray Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Vice Chair** - Chairman
Philip Jones NHS Dumfries and Galloway
- Jeff Ace** - Chief Executive
NHS Dumfries and Galloway (advisor)
- Norma Austin Hart** - Chief Executive
Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway (advisor)
- Colin Cook** - Location Director for Dumfries and Galloway
Scottish Government (observer)
- Rob Davidson** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Archie Dryburgh** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Sue Irving** - Dumfries and Galloway Third Sector
- Brian Johnstone** - Dumfries and Galloway Further and Higher
Education Sector
- Jane Maitland** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Hamish McGhie** - Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue
Service, Dumfries and Galloway Division (advisor)
- Graham Nicol** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Gary Ritchie** - Chief Superintendent, Police Scotland,
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- Alistair McKinnon** - Regional Director
Scottish Enterprise (advisor)
 - Robert Higgins** - Dumfries and Galloway Housing Sector
 - Gavin Stevenson** - Chief Executive
Dumfries and Galloway Council (advisor)
 - Robin Wishart** - Dumfries and Galloway Third Sector
 - Andrew Wood** - Chairman
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**DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY
COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

**COUNCIL CHAMBERS, DAAR ROAD, KIRKCUDBRIGHT
FRIDAY 16 MARCH 2018
10.00am- 12.00noon**

AGENDA

- 10.00am 1. DRAFT MINUTE OF MEETING OF DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY
COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD ON 17 NOVEMBER
2017 (attached)**
- 10.05am 2. EXECUTIVE GROUP UPDATE – MARCH 2018 (Report attached)**
- 10.15am 3. CURRENT KEY STRATEGIC ISSUES UPDATE – MARCH 2018 –
(Report attached)**
- 10.30am 4. DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT
PLAN AND LOCALITY PLAN ON FOOD SHARING – ENGAGEMENT
EVALUATION AND PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORKS
(Report attached)**
- 10.45am 5. SCOTLAND’S YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE 2018 – DUMFRIES AND
GALLOWAY PLAN (Report attached and Presentation)**
- 11.15am 6. SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE LOCAL PLAN (Report
attached and Presentation)**
- 11.35am 7. POLICE SCOTLAND DRAFT LOCAL PLAN.2017-2020 (Report
attached)**
- 11.45am 8. FUTURE WORK PROGRAMME (attached)**
- 12.00noon CLOSE**



Item 1**DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY
COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD**

**Lecture Theatre,
Garroch Training Centre, Dumfries
Friday 17 November 2017**

Members

- Elaine Murray** - Leader
Chair Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Jeff Ace** - Chief Executive
NHS Dumfries and Galloway (Advisor)
- Colin Cook** - Location Director for Dumfries and Galloway
Scottish Government (Observer)
- Derek Crichton** - Director Communities
Dumfries and Galloway Council (Substitute)
- Rob Davidson** - Councillor
- Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Archie Dryburgh** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Jane Maitland** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Hamish McGhie** - Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue
Service, Dumfries and Galloway Division
- David McMillan** - Dumfries and Galloway Housing Sector
- Graham Nicol** - Councillor
Dumfries and Galloway Council
- Gary Ritchie** - Chief Superintendent, Police Scotland,
Dumfries and Galloway Division
- Robin Wishart** - Dumfries and Galloway Third Sector

Apologies

Philip Jones - Chairman
Vice Chair NHS Dumfries and Galloway

Sue Irving - Dumfries and Galloway Third Sector

Brian Johnstone - Dumfries and Galloway Further and Higher Education Sector

Alistair McKinnon - Regional Director
Scottish Enterprise

Gavin Stevenson - Chief Executive
Dumfries and Galloway Council

Andrew Wood - Chair
SWestrans

In attendance

Liz Manson - Community Planning and Engagement Manager

Kirsty Peden - Community Engagement Manager

10 Members present from 6 partners

The Chair **WELCOMED** everyone to the meeting of the Community Planning Partnership Board, **HIGHLIGHTING** that meetings are now open to the public.

1. DRAFT MINUTE OF MEETING OF DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP ON 15 SEPTEMBER 2017

APPROVED as a correct record.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

2. EXECUTIVE GROUP BUSINESS BRIEFING – NOVEMBER 2017

NOTED the position of issues within the remit of the Executive Group.

3. CURRENT KEY STRATEGIC ISSUES UPDATE

3.1 Anti Poverty Strategy

NOTED the successful Conference held during Challenge Poverty Week in that a large number of organisations had attended and **THANKED** Wendy Jesson for her hard work in making the arrangements.

HIGHLIGHTED the value of the work around affordable funerals and **AGREED** that details of this work be included in the quarterly to the Board.

ACTION: HEAD OF CUSTOMER SERVICES, DGC

3.2 Children's Services Plan

NOTED progress

ACTION: CHAIR, CHILDREN'S SERVICES EXECUTIVE GROUP

3.3 Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partners' Strategic Plan

NOTED the arrangements in place for the forthcoming Inspection

ACTION: LIFELONG LEARNING MANAGER, DGC

3.4 Local Housing Strategy

NOTED the good foundation for the updating of the Strategy, to be complete by April 2018 and the importance of involving tenants and minority groups such as gypsy travellers, veterans and homeless people in its development.

ACTION: HOUSING SERVICES MANAGER, DGC

3.5 Regional Economic Strategy (RES) 2016 – 2020

NOTED the recent announcement about the arrangements for the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency and that a report was to be considered at the Council's Economy, Environment and Infrastructure (EEI) Committee next week. Councillor Archie Dryburgh, the Committee Chair, outlined the Council's position about membership of the Interim body and the level of resources being allocated to the Agency.

AGREED that the CPP Board's support for Elected Member representation on the Interim body and additional resources be added to the Council's lobbying activity and that the Scottish Borders CPP Board should also be approached to secure its support.

HIGHLIGHTED the potential for the new Agency to improve co-ordination between agencies and streamlining of partnerships working in this area which will give a stronger focus to economic regeneration, **NOTING** support for the Economic Leadership Group to remain as currently established and other groupings being reviewed.

ACTION: LEAD OFFICER, ECONOMIC LEADERSHIP GROUP

3.6 Regional Transport Strategy

NOTED the outline timetable for the refreshing of the Strategy by July 2018.

Arising from the report, the Chair of the Council's EEI Committee advised that there were consultations planned around bus transport and partners' contributions to that would be greatly appreciated.

ACTION: LEAD OFFICER, SWESTRANS

4. END OF YEAR PERFORMANCE REPORT – INTERIM LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN 2016/17 dated 7 November 2017

AGREED the End of Year Report of the Interim LOIP 2016/17 with the following additions, **NOTING** it will be published on the website when complete:

Outcome 1 – additional information on the Local Full Fibre Programme be added in section 1.3.

Outcome 2 – expansion of the information around the D&G PACE (Permanence and Care Excellence Programme) in section 2.3.

Outcome 3 – further information about the use of technology to improve systems (particularly liaison with GP surgeries) and patient care and the planned investment programme; the roll out of Living Wage across companies contracted by the Health and Social Care Partnership and contractual arrangements for travel time.

Outcome 4 – further information on the results of the Mapping Project

**ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER
DGC**

Jane Maitland entered the meeting. 11 members present from 6 partners.

5. DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN(LOIP) AND LOCALITY PLAN

5.1 **APPROVED** the Dumfries and Galloway LOIP 2017-2027, **NOTING** the positive feedback on the draft document and the engagement programme from a range of partners;

5.2 **NOTED** that a glossary and the Appendices would be finalised over the coming weeks and signed off by the Executive Group then the documents will all be published on the webpage;

5.3 **APPROVED** the Dumfries and Galloway Locality Plan on Food Sharing 2017 2027; and

5.4 **REAFFIRMED** support for the performance monitoring arrangements to include case studies and personal testimonies to complement statistical information, as the focus of these plans is to make a difference to local people's lives.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

6. A HEALTHIER FUTURE – ACTIONS AND AMBITIONS ON DIET, ACTIVITY AND HEALTHY WEIGHT – CONSULTATION DOCUMENT

6.1 **NOTED** the issues contained within the Scottish Government Consultation paper and their relevance to Dumfries and Galloway;

6.2 **AGREED** a response be submitted from the Dumfries and Galloway CPP with DG Health and Wellbeing co-ordinating the response, **NOTING** that individual partners may choose to submit a response in addition to the joint one;

6.3 **AGREED** that the response include reference to local activity including e.g the work of DAGCAS about food pricing; food sharing and the availability and use of food banks; the economic importance of food and drink; healthy eating initiatives in schools; and how we support older people in relation to food shopping and preparation; and

6.4 **REMITTED** approval of the response to the Executive Group in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the CPP Board.

ACTION: HEALTH AND WELLBEING SPECIALIST, NHS

7. REVIEW OF LOCALITY PARTNERSHIPS

AGREED

7.1 that the Review of the Locality Partnerships should begin in January 2018 and report to the June 2018 meeting of the Board - subject to the timetable being acceptable to the Steering Group;

7.2 that the detailed methodology and final timescale be agreed in discussion with Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway and the Local Rural Partnership Chairs (or a representative of their LRP) and lead officers; and

7.3 **NOTED** the Council's Commitment to holding Community Planning Workshops will form part of the Review methodology and the research being undertaken for Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway (as part of the Council Commission on Representation and Engagement) would also inform the Locality Review.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

8. FUTURE PROGRAMME AND MEETINGS OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

AGREED

8.1 the mechanisms to identify the private sector and community sector representatives be discussed further at the Executive Group, **HIGHLIGHTING** the importance of representativeness and strategic contributions;

8.2 the CPP Board meeting arrangements and programme for 2018 as set out in the Appendices;

8.3 to participate in the Improvement Service 'Community Empowerment Action Learning Programme' with our four representatives being Jeff Ace, Claire Brown, Hamish McGhie and Gary Ritchie; and

8.4 that meetings will take place in various towns across the region and there will be a visit to a significant project in the locality where the meeting is taking place.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

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Item 2 Appendix 1

COMMUNITY PLANNING EXECUTIVE GROUP
Council Offices, English Street, Dumfries
Wednesday 24 January 2018

Members

- Gavin Stevenson** - Chief Executive
(Chair) Dumfries and Galloway Council (DGC)
- Claire Brown** - Operations Manager
Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway (TS,D&G)
- Michele McCoy** - Interim Director Public Health
(*substitute*) NHS, Dumfries and Galloway (NHS D&G)
- Hamish McGhie** - Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue
Service
Dumfries and Galloway Division (SFRS)
- Alistair McKinnon** - Location Director
Scottish Enterprise (SE)
- Gary Richie** - Chief Superintendent, Police Scotland
Dumfries and Galloway Division (PS)

Apologies

- Jeff Ace** - Chief Executive
NHS Dumfries and Galloway

In attendance

- Liz Manson** - Community Planning and Engagement Manager
- Carol Marshall** - Partnership Support – Administrative Assistant
- Catherine Mackereth** - Consultant in Public Health (Item 6 only)
- Craig McGoldrick** - Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
- Claire Mitchell** - Administrator
- Kirsty Peden** - Community Engagement Manager

1. DRAFT MINUTE OF EXECUTIVE GROUP – 18 October 2017

1.1 **APPROVED** as a correct record.

1.2 Arising from Item 2.3(Outcome 1 Interim LOIP), **NOTED** that there have been two working meetings to develop the Interim South of Scotland Enterprise Agency (SOSEA) Partnership; an additional £10M has been committed by the Scottish Government; and the announcement of the seven members of the Private Sector Advisory Group.

NOTED ALSO the profile of the Borderlands Initiative had increased with the project being a priority of the Prime Minister; the Northern Powerhouse boundary now including Cumbria and Northumbria; additional capital funding allocated, including for Carlisle Airport; and high level meetings with senior UK and Scottish Government political leaders and civil servants, and local authority Leaders and Chief Executives

AGREED that a report be brought to the next meeting with an update on these developments and initial thinking about the implications for our current partnerships, roles and responsibilities relating to economic, academic and employability issues.

ACTION: LEAD OFFICERS ECONOMIC LEADERSHIP GROUP AND EMPLOYABILITY PARTNERSHIP

1.3 Arising from Item 6 (Developing the LOIP), **NOTED** that the Development Group was meeting next week to finalise the Appendices and develop the Performance Management Information to come to the next meeting for finalisation before being submitted to the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board for approval in March 2018

The importance, but challenges, of sharing data and intelligence across partners was **HIGHLIGHTED** and **AGREED** that further information on a digital mapping tool demonstrated at a Scottish Borders travel event be obtained.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANGER

2. COMMUNITY AND PRIVATE SECTOR REPRESENTATIVES ON THE COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

2.1 **AGREED** to approach the Chair of the new SoSEA Private Sector Advisory Board to seek a private sector representative to be a member of the CPP Board; and

2.2 **REAFFIRMED** that Community Councils, as the most local tier of government, be approached to identify a community representative for the CPP Board and that in the event of multiple expressions of interest, each Community Council would have a vote for their preferred candidate.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

3 RESEARCH ON COMMUNITY PLANNING BY WHAT WORKS SCOTLAND

3.1 **DISCUSSED** the emerging recommendations from research conducted by What Works Scotland, **NOTING** that the areas for improvement including: refocusing of policies and strategies around community empowerment; community engagement; use of data and evidence; leadership; and performance management were relevant to our local activity and already in our Improvement Plan

3.2 **NOTED** that the Research Report was due to published in the coming weeks and will be circulated to CPP Board and Executive Group members and wider stakeholders through the Newsletter; and

3.3 **AGREED** to recommend to the CPP Board that there is a Workshop session on the research and its implications for our region at a future meeting.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

4. ANNUAL REPORT ON THE DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING IMPROVEMENT PLAN

4.1 **NOTED** the progress made in the Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning Improvement Plan during 2017;

4.2 **AGREED** an additional action for 2018 in relation to Section 1 : understanding the priorities and timetabling of statutory and third sector partners' strategic planning documents and Budgets, with Public Health identified specifically within NHS Plans and Budgets;

4.3 **HIGHLIGHTED** in Section 4: the production of the co-ordinated Programme of Engagement Activity across partners was a priority so that both potential consultees and resource planning is fully informed as early as possible; and

4.4 **NOTED** that the updated Plan will be submitted to the CPP Board at its March meeting for approval

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

5. ANNUAL REPORT – COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT WORKING GROUP 2016/2017

5.1 **NOTED** satisfactory progress in the establishment and activity of the Working Group and the Participation and Engagement Network during 2016/17;

5.2 referring to Item 4.3 above and Item 9 of the Workplan for 2017/18, **HIGHLIGHTED** the importance of producing the joint calendar of engagement activity for 2018; and

5.3 **AGREED** the addition of a culture change programme to the WorkPlan to be implemented across all parts of all partners about the importance of consistent, good

quality engagement so that our communities and residents are valued partners in facing the challenges ahead.

ACTION: COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT MANAGER, DGC

6. 'A HEALTHIER FUTURE - ACTIONS AND AMBITIONS ON DIET, ACTIVITY AND HEALTHY WEIGHT' --DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY PARTNERSHIP RESPONSE TO SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT OBESITY STRATEGY

6.1 **NOTED** the content of the draft response and **AGREED** that additional references be included in relation to: the importance of ensuring that Scotland's traditional food and drink products are considered appropriately in relation to any new legal requirements and restrictions; information and education about food, healthy eating and cooking should be integral parts of any work around food banks, as demonstrated in our Locality Plan on Food Sharing; and the importance of a detailed Implementation Plan involving a wide group of stakeholders including third sector organisations.

6.2 **NOTED** that the updated response will be submitted, subject to consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of the CPP Board; and

6.3 **HIGHLIGHTED** the importance of an integrated approach to food and physical activity and **AGREED** that proposals for improving our partnership arrangements be brought to this Group after the National Strategy has been published.

ACTION: HEALTH AND WELLBEING SPECIALIST, NHSD&G

7. UPDATE ON MOFFAT COLLABORATION

7.1 **ENDORSED** the StoryBoard presented by the Moffat Access Group to representatives of the Executive Group on 13 December 2017 and **COMMENDED** the Group's vision and community empowerment agenda;

7.2 **AGREED** that support continue to be given from Police Scotland in relation to the Community Asset Transfer; and Dumfries and Galloway Council in relation to realising the infrastructure improvements and developing new approaches to service delivery; and

7.3 **FURTHER AGREED** to investigate the potential for temporary dedicated Project Officer support to be identified from the Council's Redeployment/forthcoming ERVS staff; with financial resource for the post from the new SOSEA.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

8 EXECUTIVE GROUP WORK PROGRAMME

APPROVED the Work Programme as set out in the Appendix and with the additional reports agreed at this meeting.

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

**Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning
Improvement Plan progress as at 28 January 2018**

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
<p>1. Develop the Interim Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Introduce the LOIP • Develop a fuller picture of partners' resources, in particular financial resources, and identify where and how discretionary spend can be aligned • Establish baselines and targets to measure the impact of actions that are designed to reduce inequalities in Dumfries and Galloway 	<p>The End of Year Performance Report for the Interim LOIP 2016/17 was agreed by the CPP Board in November 2017.</p> <p>The LOIP was agreed by the CPP Board at its November 2017 meeting and has focused directly on tackling inequality.</p> <p>Some limited financial information on the five statutory partners and Third Sector Interface is detailed in Appendix 5 of the LOIP.</p> <p>The development of the LOIP has identified some initial performance measures, drawn from the eight supporting Strategies and Plans.</p> <p>The Improvement Service Community Planning Outcomes Profile has assisted by making trend and comparator information easily accessible and is included in Appendix 1 of the LOIP</p>	<p>The glossary and LOIP assessed by the Plain English Campaign and the final version promoted through partners.</p> <p>Posters and support materials used to promote the LOIP Outcomes.</p> <p>Session(s) on the Budget challenges and timetable/cycle of the five statutory partners and Third Sector Interface to be included in the forward work programme of the Executive Group</p> <p>In addition to Indicators and projects, personal testimonies and case studies are to be part of our performance management of the LOIP and Locality Plan; and the monitoring arrangements will involve people with lived experience of inequality.</p> <p>NHS Dumfries and Galloway has developed a Social Capital Index and this will be rolled out during 2018.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
		<p>The Impact Assessment materials used by the Council and NHS have been updated to incorporate new Guidance from Health Scotland about health inequalities and these are also used by thematic partnerships to assess and improve their plans and strategies.</p>	
<p>2. Improve the operation of the Strategic Partnership</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure the membership of the Strategic Partnership reflects its role and remit by considering its size and appropriate representation from all key sectors • Review the membership, role and remit of the Executive Group 	<p>The Strategic Partnership changed to a CPP Board in September 2017, with representatives being elected or appointed members; and the Executive Group acting as advisors.</p> <p>Mechanisms to identify community and private sector representatives for the Board have been agreed.</p> <p>The membership of the Executive Group is now those five organisations with the same statutory responsibility for community planning (as detailed in the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015); and the Third Sector Interface (as detailed in the associated Guidance)</p>	<p>Appointment of community and private sector representatives to the CPP Board</p> <p>Representation from Scottish Enterprise/the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency to be considered once the new arrangements are developed.</p> <p>Representation from Scottish Enterprise/South of Scotland Enterprise Agency to be considered once the new arrangements are developed</p> <p>Consider the contributions of partner organisations to the CP support arrangements, benchmarking with other CPPs in Scotland.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review the arrangements for Thematic Partnerships and in particular the relationship with the Strategic Partnership and Executive Group Set out how communication takes place from the Strategic Partnership 	<p>Individual thematic partnerships report to the Executive Group with their Annual Report/future work programme. The Executive Group then provides an update in its Business Briefing to the CPP Board on key issues and areas receiving attention.</p> <p>Executive Group members are now advisers to the CPP Board.</p> <p>Guidance has been produced and promoted for effective partnership working, drawing on work by the Improvement Service, Audit Scotland and Getting It Right for Every Child.</p> <p>The minute of each meeting is publicly available on the community planning webpages; an e-newsletter is produced after each meeting communicating the key decisions; and a press release is issued where appropriate</p>	<p>A strategic level Public Protection Partnership is to be created as part of the new Community Justice arrangements, rationalising the strategic groupings for alcohol and drugs, domestic abuse and violence against women and youth justice; the arrangements for Community Safety and Anti-Social Behaviour are to be updated; and our partnership forum(s) for healthy weight and physical activity.</p> <p>The Employability Partnership/Developing Young Workforce/Economic Leadership Group arrangements and relationships re to be reviewed in light of the new South of Scotland Enterprise Agency and Borderlands Initiative.</p> <p>The Community Planning webpages are to be revamped by spring 2018. In the meantime, old information is being deleted so that it is factually up to date.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li data-bbox="427 233 752 596">• Members of the Strategic Partnership set out how they communicate decisions of the Partnership within their own organisations/ sectors <li data-bbox="427 826 752 1082">• Ensure the programme of meetings and formats reflect the role and remit of the Strategic Partnership <li data-bbox="427 1120 752 1305">• Develop a CPP risk register and set out how the Strategic Partnership will manage the risks 	<p data-bbox="786 233 1402 635">Members of the Strategic Partnership have established arrangements with their sector/organisation e.g. feedback at Management Team meetings; housing sector representative has an item on a forum where the Chairs of all local housing providers attend to give an update on the previous Strategic Partnership meeting. The FE/HE sector representative meets on an individual basis with local University Principals.</p> <p data-bbox="786 673 1368 783">The Community Planning team provide assistance on request e.g. attendance at meetings for general update</p> <p data-bbox="786 858 1391 1082">The CPP Board agreed in November 2017 that its meetings are to be open to the public and will move around the region to be more accessible to local people and partners, scrutinising local major developments when in the locality</p> <p data-bbox="786 1120 1402 1337">A Risk Register was developed and agreed by the Executive Group in September 2014 and there were quarterly updates to the Executive Group, with the headline information reported to the Strategic Partnership.</p>	<p data-bbox="1424 233 2018 450">Changes within partners' management arrangements indicate that there is no longer 'standing items' on agendas in the same way and so new approaches are required to ensure an effective cascade throughout organisations.</p> <p data-bbox="1424 858 2029 1002">Advertising of the CPP Board meetings when in the locality to encourage local organisations and residents to understand partnership issues.</p> <p data-bbox="1424 1120 2018 1225">The new Risk Register is to be developed by the CPP Board at its March meeting, now that the LOIP has been agreed.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Engage with neighbouring strategic level Boards to identify best practice and any shared issues and activity. 	<p>Material and information from neighbouring Boards was brought to the Executive Group and Strategic Partnership as part of reports and particularly in relation to the LOIP and Locality Plans.</p> <p>The CP Manager has been elected Chair of the Community Planning Network and is therefore in a key position to bring to the local partners information from the other 31 CPPs.</p> <p>At its November 2017 meeting, the CPP Board agreed to have a joint meeting with the Scottish Borders CPP.</p>	<p>Updates on other CPPs activities will be identified at Network events and reported to the CPP Board and Executive Group.</p> <p>A session on the implications for our region of the Findings of the What Works Scotland Research Report on community planning.</p> <p>Feedback from our four participants in the Improvement Service/Scottish Community Development Service Action Learning Programme with Ayrshire CPPs will inform future improvements.</p> <p>Arrange a joint event with Scottish Borders CPP during 2018.</p>
3.Improve the empowerment of individuals involved in Community Planning forums	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set out the expectations and behaviours of individual members in championing Community Planning and the LOIP within their own organisations/ sectors 	<p>The role of Board members as leaders/champions of the region was highlighted at LOIP Workshops and are set out during Induction discussions. The Operating Protocol sets out the remit for the CPP Board and Executive Group</p> <p>The Executive Group agreed a 'Collaboration Project' to develop their shared leadership approach which involves both a thematic issue (a shared property asset register); and a geographic issue (development of Moffat as 'The Access Town')</p>	<p>Progress the Collaboration Project (shared property asset register between NHS and Council and development of Moffat as The Access Town.)</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify support for individual members to assist them in fulfilling their role in collective decision-making and being held accountable for decisions made by the Strategic Partnership Support the capacity building of the Third Sector, in particular for its contribution to the SP, EG and other CP partnership groupings 	<p>Background information and expert advisors participated in Strategic Partnership Workshops and for scrutiny sessions.</p> <p>The Third Sector representatives on the Strategic Partnership are Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway Board members and the Chief Executive of Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway is a member of the Executive Group. All thematic partnerships and Working Groups have third sector representation in their membership.</p> <p>The CPP budget and staff team gives sponsorship and has display material at Third Sector conferences and events as required and there is representation by the team, and other community planning partners, at Conferences – including the annual Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway event in November each year.</p>	<p>Required support identified through the What Works Scotland forthcoming Research and Improvement Service/SCDC Action Learning Programme.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
<p>4. Improve the Strategic Partnership's approach to using evidence</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure all reports contain robust and sufficient evidence to support proper consideration by the Strategic Partnership. Prepare a programme of stakeholder engagement taking into account the activity of individual organisations/sectors of the Strategic Partnership and the CPP collectively to understand the needs of individuals/communities. 	<p>All reports are signed off by a Chief Officer and have a clear recommendation and sufficient information on which to make a sound judgment. Council Governance standards and processes are applied to ensure high standard of reports.</p> <p>A Briefing session took place in February 2017 for a range of officers across partners about how to get best use out of the Improvement Service Outcomes Improvement Profile tool</p> <p>The Participation and Engagement Working Group was established in December 2016 and the WorkPlan for 2018 has been agreed by the Executive Group.</p> <p>The LOIP and Locality Plan were developed with extensive stakeholder involvement and the initial feedback has evidenced a high degree of satisfaction with the arrangements.</p>	<p>A partnership programme of engagement for 2018 will be in place by March 2018.</p> <p>The Evaluation of the Stakeholder engagement in the LOIP and Locality Plan will be concluded by February 2018.</p> <p>The monitoring and reporting of the LOIP and Locality Plan will include stakeholders with lived experience of inequality.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Develop a programme of research and data analysis to ensure the CPP has up to date and complete information to guide its decision making including area profiles. 	<p>Ward Profiles have been developed for the 12 Wards of the Council;</p> <p>A number of community plans are in development, supported by a range of organisations, and these are being collated and collected by the Ward Officers.</p>	<p>Continue to develop expertise in using the Local Outcomes Improvement Profiling Tool through training sessions for officers; and develop expertise and a shared approach to Community Capacity Building.</p>
<p>5. Improve the Strategic Partnership's influence on the national agenda</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Set out the collective activity and contributions of individual organisations/sectors particularly liaison with MPs, MSPs and Scottish Government. 	<p>MPs, MSPs, MSYPs are part of the CPP Stakeholder Group and therefore, as set out in the Operating Protocol, they receive invitations to CPP activities and updates on activities including the e-newsletter and events.</p> <p>The CP Manager leads the Community Planning Network and Reference Group; and is a representative on the Oversight Board for Public Health Reform.</p> <p>Members of the CP Team are involved in national networks and events including the Syrian Resettlement Programme.</p>	<p>Opportunities for engagement with national groups and key individuals are sought on an ongoing basis.</p>
<p>6. Improve Local Community Planning focus</p>	<p>Develop local community planning approaches, building on current area based work.</p>	<p>The scope for the Review of Locality Partnerships has been agreed by the CPP Board.</p>	<p>Review of locality partnerships, beginning in spring 2018 with improved links between the CPP Board and locality focus as one outcome.</p>

Issue	Improvement Action 2016/17	Achievements 2016/17	Next action 2017/18
		<p>The Health and Social Care Local Groups are now established and reporting to Council Area Committees; Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service have also reported their performance to Area Committees and Local Plans have been agreed.</p>	<p>A session on the Police and Fire and Rescue Local Plans to take place at the CPP Board</p>

EXECUTIVE GROUP UPDATE–MARCH 2018

1. Background

This Briefing provides an update on issues that the Executive Group has dealt with since the last meeting of the Board in November 2017. The minutes of the Executive Group meeting on 24 January 2018 are attached as **Appendix 1**.

2. Key issues

2.1 Community Planning Research

2.1.1 A collaboration of Higher Education Institutions come together under the banner 'What Works Scotland' and one of the partners, Edinburgh University, undertook a Survey of almost 200 people involved in community planning in late 2016 and the results of the Survey and recommendations for next steps are due to be published later this month.

2.1.2 The Executive Group recommends to the Board that there is a Workshop session on the research and its implications at the next Board meeting in June 2018 led by Dr Oliver Escobar, the lead researcher. .

2.2 Community Planning Improvement Plan

The Executive Group undertook its annual review of our Improvement Plan and Appendix 2 details the results of their analysis.

2.3 Action learning programme

2.3.1 As agreed at the last Board meeting, our Partnership is to participate in the Improvement Service/Scottish Community Development Centre 'action learning' programme. Our four representatives are: Claire Brown (Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway; Hamish McGhie Scottish Fire and Rescue Service; Catherine Mackereth, NHSD&G; and Gary Ritchie, Police Scotland). There are two sessions, taking place on 21 March and 14 May 2018, and our regional grouping is with Ayrshire Community Planning Partnerships.

2.3.2 The feedback from this session could usefully form part of the Workshop in June, alongside the national Community Planning Survey findings and next steps.

2.4 Membership of the Board

At the last meeting of the Board, consideration was given to the most appropriate ways of securing community and private sector representation. The Executive Group was asked to give further consideration to the methods to identify representatives. The Executive group recommends that community councils be approached for expressions of interest given their statutory role in engagement;

and that the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency interim Private Sector Advisory Group be approached for a private sector representative, to secure close links with the new body.

3. Recommendation

The Board is invited to

- (1) Agree to a workshop session at the next Board meeting to consider the findings and recommendations from the What Works Scotland Community Planning Research and the Action Learning Programme being led by the Improvement Service and SCDC;
- (2) scrutinise and comment on the Community Planning Improvement Plan; and
- (3) agree to the community representative being sought through community councils; and the private sector representative through the South of Scotland Enterprise Agency interim Private Sector Advisory Group.

Liz Manson, Community Planning and Engagement Manager
8 March 2018

Appendices

- 1 Minutes of the Executive Group meeting of 24 January 2018
- 2 Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning Improvement Plan as at 28 January 2018

CURRENT KEY STRATEGIC ISSUES UPDATE – MARCH 2018

1. Background

The Board has identified eight key Strategies and Plans that support the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan:

- Anti Poverty Strategy
- Children's Services Plan
- Community Justice Improvement Plan
- Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partners' Strategic Plan
- Health and Social Care Strategic Plan
- Local Housing Strategy
- Regional Economic Strategy
- Regional Transport Strategy

2. Update reports

Lead officers for the Anti-Poverty Strategy, Children's Services Plan; CLD Partners' Strategic Plan; Health and Social Care Strategic Plan; Local Housing Strategy; and the Regional Transport Strategy have provided progress reports for this meeting and they are detailed in the **Appendix**.

3. Recommendation

Board Members are invited to scrutinise and note the progress being made in the key Strategies and Plans that support the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan

Liz Manson, Community Planning and Engagement Manager and lead officers
9 March 2018

Appendix – updates on Strategies and Plans

UPDATES ON STRATEGIES AND PLANS**1. Anti-Poverty Strategy**

1.1 The Action Plan to deliver the Anti-Poverty Strategy is being implemented with [significant investment of £1.295M](#) (pages 134-139) agreed by Dumfries and Galloway Council in its Budget for 2018/19 as follows:

Cost of the School Day – removal of pupil contributions for Home Economics and Technical subjects £140k; pupil charges for other curricular subjects linked to national qualifications in the senior phase - £25k; extra curricular travel £30k
Removal of period poverty in schools £100k
Extension of the food in schools support to include holiday meals and during study support - £200k

Area Committee Local Anti-Poverty Fund - £350k

Community and Voluntary groups contributing to the Anti- Poverty Strategy (to be determined through Participatory Budgeting) - £250k

Credit Union development - £50k

Mitigating the consequences of Welfare Reform - £150k

1.2 The Tackling Poverty Reference Group (volunteers) continues to meet monthly and has a programme of engagement activity and volunteer development.

1.3 The Community Planning Tackling Poverty Co-ordination Group is also meeting monthly and the WorkPlan is being developed for approval by the Community Planning Executive Group.

Lead Officer: Harry Hay, Head of Customer Services, Communities Directorate, Dumfries and Galloway Council.

2. Children's Services Plan

2.1 In December 2017 an interim progress report on the Children's Services Plan was presented to DG Council. The full report with progress updates and performance information is publicly available [Children's Services Plan - 6 Month Interim Progress Report](#) with a summary of the assessment of progress being that almost all actions are either on track or facing no major obstacles and the Children's Services Executive Group is confident that the plan is on track to deliver improved outcomes for children and young people in Dumfries and Galloway.

2.2 The annual report to Scottish Government in 2018 will provide a more detailed analysis of performance information, supplemented by engagement activity with children and families in order to demonstrate evidence of impact.

2.3 We have a statutory duty to submit our first Joint Annual Report on our Children's Services Plan to the Scottish Government "as soon as is practicable" after the end of Year 1 of the Plan (31 March 2018). The Children's Services Executive Group has agreed a process for the development of the Report which will involve multi-agency workshops and consultation. The aim is to finalise the report by mid-May so that progress can be communicated to stakeholders as promptly as possible in line with statutory guidance.

**Lead Officer: Colin Grant, Director Children, Young People and Lifelong Learning,
Dumfries and Galloway Council**

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3. Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partners' Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018

3.1 Dumfries and Galloway Council was notified on 9 October 2017 that Education Scotland would inspect the strategic arrangements for CLD within Dumfries and Galloway as follows:

- Phase 1 – Strategic Focus – 7 and 8 November 2017
- Phase 2 – Place Based Inspection – 4 – 8 December 2017

3.2 The CLD Partnership led the preparation for inspection with a Strategic and Place Based Self Evaluation requiring to be produced and submitted to Education in advance covering the following key quality indicators:

- 9.2 – Leadership & Direction
- 3.1 – Impact on staff and volunteers (not formally graded)
- 1.1 – Improvements in performance
- 4.1 – Impact on the local community
- 5.1 – Delivering the learning offer with learners

3.3 Following engagement with core CLD Partners, it was decided that the place based inspection would cover the town of Dumfries. Inspection timetables were produced for each part of the inspection involving key CLD Sector partners to help evidence impact and progress against the key quality indicators.

3.4 The inspection outcome was very positive with the final inspection report going live on [Education Scotland website](#) on 29 January 2018. Final gradings were outlined as follows:

Grading Scale	Leadership and direction (9.2)	Improvements in performance (1.1)	Impact on the local community (4.1)	Delivering the learning offer with learners (5.1)
Excellent				
Very Good	Very Good		Very Good	Very Good
Good		Good		
Satisfactory				
Weak				
Unsatisfactory				

High level strengths were highlighted as follows:

- Strong leadership that is driving change.
- Well targeted approaches for those facing additional challenges.
- Ambitious community organisations taking forward innovative projects.
- Participants and volunteers contributing to learning.

Areas of Improvement were:

- Improving the voice of community organisations.
- Develop a shared understanding of provision and progress.

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Other key comments highlighted within the feedback report were:

- The recent move to a Ward Officer structure is helping to deliver the Council's aspirations in terms of the Community Empowerment Act;
- The Chief Executive of the Council and Community Planning Partnership (CPP) leaders demonstrate a commitment to addressing poverty and disadvantage
- Partnership work to address poverty is well developed and ambitious
- Local people in the Tackling Poverty Reference Group report directly to the Community Planning Partnership – this effective practice merits sharing elsewhere
- Support for high profile events by Elected Members and senior officers such as YouthBeatz demonstrate a commitment to improving life chances
- Partners use data, research and needs assessments well to plan learning programmes. There is a strong focus on improving life chances and addressing poverty
- Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway met or exceeded their targets for volunteer engagement in the last year
- Whilst good informal networks exist, it is not always clear where third sector organisations go to for support and advice
- It would also be beneficial for partners to reflect on how well community planning arrangements support community organisations to contribute to decision making at all levels.

3.5 Key improvement actions identified will now be integrated into the Partners' Year 2 Action Plan and a new CLD Partners' Plan is required by September 2018 to cover the period 2018 – 2021. Planning for this is being taken forward through the CLD Strategic Partnership with engagement provisionally planned for May/June 2018.

Lead Officer: Stephen Jack, Lifelong Learning Manager

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4. Health and Social Care Strategic Plan

4.1 The Health and Social Care Strategic Plan runs from 2016-1 April 2019. Preparations are therefore underway for its update with the [Second Strategic Needs Assessment 2-18](#) now published in draft.

4.2 The 2017/18 second quarter performance report on the Strategic Plan (to 30 September 2017) underwent scrutiny by the Senior Management Team and the performance and Finance Sub Committee and was considered at the Integration Joint Board on 30 November 2017 where it was approved.

Highlights from the report include:

- A12 Acute Emergency Admissions are rising
- B2 Cancer Waiting Times figures are now in line with the rest of Scotland
- B10 CAMHS Patients are now seen within 18 weeks of referral
- B16 Smoking Cessations target was not met.
- B12 Infection Control these rates are being reported differently nationally and this has caused some challenges
- B11 Psychological Therapies Waiting Times - due to a reduction in staffing levels and patients not attending appointments this has led to a significant increase in patients waiting to access this service.

4.3 Other issues dealt with at the last meeting of the IJB on 1st February 2018 were – developing new models of care in the Esk Valley; the annual Chief Social Work Officer's Report; and the new 2018 general medical Service Contract in Scotland.

4.4 The biggest development for the Health and Social care Partnership since the last meeting of the CPP Board is the opening on 8 December 2017 of the new Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary at Cargenbridge Dumfries.

4.5 Details of the new hospital and other issues for the Partnership can be found on our website: <http://www.dg-change.org.uk/>

Julie White, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care

5. Local Housing Strategy

5.1 A range of Local Housing Strategy engagement events have been arranged to ensure a wide range of stakeholders are able to participate in the development of this work. Our broad objective is to ensure that as many of our local citizens, community groups and partners have the opportunity to participate in the formulation of ideas to be included in the Strategy.

5.2 A meeting of the Strategic Housing Forum on 12 March 2018 will consider the Strategy development and those invited to the meeting include Police Scotland, NHS Dumfries and Galloway, Adult and Children's Social Work Services, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway, local Registered Social Landlords and the LGBT Plus Network.

5.3 Further consultation events have been arranged with tenants of Dumfries and Galloway Housing Partnership and Loreburn Housing Association, the Tackling Poverty Reference Group, the Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway and residents on the Council operated Gypsy/Traveller sites. As a result of the specific challenges faced by the Gypsy/Traveller community, the draft Local Housing Strategy will be circulated to the residents who will then be invited to participate in a drop in session on the site to discuss further. During this, we will seek their feedback for incorporation into the Strategy going forward.

5.4 To help ensure a broad profile of our citizens are reached, the draft Strategy and questionnaire will be posted through the Council's social media pages, webpage and in Customer Service Centres/Libraries throughout the region. These processes described will run concurrently and this will allow the feedback received to shape the content of the final draft. By this stage, we hope to have achieved a broad consensus on the housing matters that are important in our region.

5.5 The Strategic Objectives contained in the draft Local Housing Strategy 2018-23 follow the Guidance published by the Scottish Government and are as follows:

Strategic Objective 1

Supply of Housing and Place-Making

'Ensure that the available housing stock in our region is fully utilised and new housing development supports the sustainability of our towns, settlements and villages.'

Strategic Objective 2

Specialist Provision and Independent Living

'We will work effectively with the Health and Social Care Partnership to ensure people are able to live as independently as possible in community settings.'

Strategic Objective 3

Private Rented Sector

'We will ensure that households who choose to live in the Private Rented Sector, have a home that is safe, warm and achieves the required standards'

Strategic Objective 4

Fuel Poverty and Climate Change

'We will help everyone in our region to live in warm, affordable, energy efficient homes'

Strategic Objective 5

Scheme of Assistance

'Ensure that people in our region are able live in homes that are of a high quality and good condition'

**Lead Officer: Jim O'Neill, Housing Services Manager, Communities Directorate,
Dumfries and Galloway Council**

6. Regional Transport Strategy

6.1 At its meeting on 17 January 2018, the SWestrans Board received an overview of the process being undertaken for the review of the National Transport Strategy (NTS) and its impact on the delivery timetable for a refresh of the Regional Transport Strategy.

6.2 To deliver the NTS, Transport Scotland has set out an approach that is focused on collaborative working with partners, developing a robust evidence base and engaging with stakeholders and citizens across Scotland to give them a greater say in the development of transport policy. This collaborative approach involves a wide variety of internal and external stakeholders, who meet regularly to develop the successor NTS through working groups and partnership forums. Transport Scotland will deliver a wide programme of engagement across Scotland to ensure that transport users also have an opportunity to feed into the NTS process. The NTS Review will work towards a formal public consultation on a draft strategy in early 2019 with a view to publishing the successor strategy in July 2019.

6.3 This full review of the NTS will have significant impact on the refresh of our own Regional Transport Strategy which will be required to align our regional delivery to the national vision, strategy and outcomes. Therefore, officers will be developing the RTS Main Issues Report in step with the work on the NTS Review.

Lead Officer: Douglas Kirkpatrick, Transportation Manager, SWestrans

Item 4 Appendix 3

LOCALITY PLAN ON FOOD SHARING PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

Outcome 1 People are able to meet their own food needs

Indicators	source
Number of partners' support surgeries held in Customer Service Centres	APS Action Plan
<i>Time period that food banks are accessed by individuals (new)</i>	<i>Food Bank providers</i>
Projects	
Community Food Growing Strategy	DGC (Communities)
Better eating better learning free breakfast clubs	APS Action Plan
Community Case Study	
Food costs in D&G	DAGCAS
Personal testimony	
Veterans Garden, Carnsalloch Dumfries	First Base Agency

Outcome 2 – support is given to people who need help with food where, when, how they need it

Indicators	source
Value of additional supports(Discretionary Housing Payments; Scottish Welfare Fund, Clothing Grants; Free school meals)	APS Action Plan
Projects	
Customer Journeys in accessing services	APS Action Plan
Poverty awareness training	APS Action Plan
Universal Credit roll out (support for people transferring)	APS Action Plan
	APS Action Plan
Community case studies	
Referral system to access food bank provisions	Food bank provider
Personal testimonies	
Barriers to accessing food parcels	Food bank user

Outcome 3 – Involvement in food sharing helps with other aspects of people’s lives

Indicators	source
Number of volunteers in food related projects and organisations	Third Sector, D&G
Number of young people and adults who report an improvement in their confidence and in their individual, family and community or working life	DGC (CYPLL)
Projects	
Deliver a programme of learning development hubs	CLD Partners’ Strategic Plan
Community Case Study	
Alcohol and Drugs Partnership Community Garden in Castle Douglas	H&SCP
Personal testimonies	
Journey of a volunteer now an employee in a local food provider	Kate’s Kitchen

Outcome 4 – our food sharing arrangements are as efficient and effective as possible

Indicators	source
Number of community groups supported (food related organisations)	DGC (Communities) and TS,D&G
Number of organisations signposted to grants and given financial advice	TS, D&G
Projects	
Roll out of the ‘Tell Us Once’ model	APS Action Plan
FairShare Project	Tackling Poverty Co-ordination Group Action Plan
Community Case Study	
Information about suitable donations; and items donated	Voluntary organisations
Personal testimonies	
Co-ordination of transport provision	TS,D&G and SWestrans (PSP)

DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN (LOIP) AND LOCALITY PLAN

1. Background

1.1 The Dumfries and Galloway LOIP and a Locality Plan on Food Sharing were agreed by the Strategic Partnership on 15 September 2017 and published by the statutory due date of 1 October 2017. Final amendments were agreed at the Community Planning Partnership Board on 15 November 2017.

1.2 The Evaluation Framework to assess the engagement of stakeholders in the LOIP has been developed and sessions held with the Equality and Diversity and Tackling Poverty Reference Groups on 20 and 21 February 2018; and the Executive Group on 7 March 2018. Input from the Lead Officers for the supporting Plans and Strategies is currently being sought and the CPP Board is invited to comment on its involvement

1.3 The Impact Assessment has also been completed with stakeholders and the results are:

- 6 high positive (age, disability, gender reassignment (transgender identity) sexual orientation; health and well-being and health inequalities; economic and social sustainability; 3 medium positive (sex; race; religion or belief; Human Rights) and 2 low positive religion or belief; carbon management)
- 2 neutral (marriage and civil partnership; pregnancy and maternity)
- no negatives

1.4 The Performance Management Framework for the Plans has also now been developed by the Development Groups and discussed at the Executive Group meeting on 7 March 2018.

Key Issues

3.1 Evaluation

3.1.1 The Evaluation Framework for engagement around the [LOIP](#) has drawn on evaluation frameworks and advice from a range of sources and is being completed on a face to face basis.

3.1.2 The results of the discussion with the volunteers at the Equality and Diversity and Tackling Poverty Working Groups on 20 and 21 February 2018 is attached as **Appendix 1**. These volunteers were invited to each of the Workshops held to develop the LOIP during 2016-17 and were given support to participate at the events; and to discuss the drafts as they progressed.

3.1.3 The CPP Board members are invited to express any views on their experience of the four Workshops held at Cargen Towers, Garroch; and the reports to each meeting of this Group during 2017; and identify any areas for improvement:

- I received and could easily understand the information that I needed to participate
- I had enough time to give an informed opinion
- I felt my views were listened to
- the staff involved were helpful
- how could your experience have been improved?

3.2 Performance Management Framework (PMF)

3.2.1 The Development Group and the Lead Officers have selected performance indicators and projects from the Supporting Plans and Strategies that provide relevant performance measurement for each of the Outcomes. This will be statistical/quantitative information. The draft attached suggests a total of 34 Indicators and 16 projects.

In addition, as agreed by the CPP Board and to comply with the requirement to report how communities have contributed to the implementation of the LOIP, Case Studies and personal testimonies are part of the Framework and proposed issues and sources have been identified. It is proposed that there is one Case Study and one testimony for each Outcome and this will be narrative/qualitative information. The Executive Group highlighted that the statistical information should be accompanied by explanatory narrative and have trend information where possible.

Appendix 2 sets out the initial Framework recommended by the Executive Group for consideration by the Board.

3.2.2 Discussion with community representatives and the Development Group suggests that the draft performance report could be discussed at an annual event; and that the volunteer representatives, with Executive Group/Lead Officer participation, could undertake visits to some of the Projects and services within the Framework and their report would form an additional part of the Annual Report. This could be in writing and/or recordings.

3.2.3 Work is also ongoing about the development of a health inequality indicator as part of the Health and Social Care Strategic Plan; around the D&G Social Capital Index; and also the reporting arrangements for the Fairer Scotland (formerly known as the Socio-Economic) Duty and these developments may have a contribution to make to the LOIP PMF.

Locality Plan on food sharing

3.3. Evaluation

The Evaluation Framework for the engagement around the [Locality Plan](#) on Food Sharing has also drawn on a range of sources and is being undertaken on a face to face basis with food sharing providers and service users across the region. The timetable for completion is early May 2018 and will be reported to the Executive Group at the May meeting and the CPP Board June meeting.

3.4 PMF

3.4.1 The Locality Plan Development Group has selected a small number of performance indicators and projects that provide relevant performance measurement for each of the Outcomes.

In addition, as agreed by the CPP Board and to comply with the requirement to report how communities have contributed to the implementation of the Locality Plan, Case Studies and personal testimonies are part of the Framework and proposed issues and sources have been identified. **Appendix 3** sets out the initial Framework recommended by the Executive Group for consideration by the Board. There is a proposal to create one new Indicator as there is no existing Indicator or project that would provide the necessary information.

3.4.2 Area based events are recommended for consideration of the draft Annual Performance Report; and the involvement of service users to undertake visits to some of the Projects and services within the Framework is also recommended. Their report would form an additional part of the Annual Report and could be in writing and/or recordings.

3.5 National developments and support

3.5.1 There is work ongoing at national level on the evaluation frameworks for the LOIPs through the Outcomes Evidence and Performance Board (chaired by Steve Grimmond of Fife Council) and the Community Planning Network – this Workstream is being led by Gerry McLaughlin of Health Scotland.

3.5.2 There is also a ‘stocktake’ of LOIPs and Locality Plans being undertaken by Audit Scotland, the Improvement Service and Health Scotland with the results to be available at the end of this month/early April 2018.

Kirsty Peden, Community Engagement Manager
Liz Manson, Community Planning and Engagement Manager
8 March 2018

Appendices

- 1- Evaluation Framework for the LOIP
- 2- Proposed PMF for the LOIP
- 3- Proposed PMF for the Locality Plan on Food Sharing

Item 4 Appendix 2

LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN

PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK

Outcome 1 Everyone who needs help to work receives the right support

(Key groups – people in the justice system, LAYP, care leavers, veterans, disabled people and long term unemployed people)

Indicators	source
% of LAC school leavers who enter positive destinations	Children's Services Plan
Number of unemployed adults over 25 supported into a positive destination (specific sub groups – women, disabled people, long term unemployed people)	DGC (EEI)
Projects	
Develop increasing employment opportunities for people with offending backgrounds	Anti-Poverty Strategy Action Plan
Case Study	
Oasis Youth Centre in Dumfries supporting young people to sustain employment	DGC (CYPLL)
Personal testimony	
Local veteran about their journey to secure employment	First Base

Outcome 2 Learning opportunities opportunities are available to those who need them most

(Key groups; lifelong learning in community settings; LAYP and care leavers, justice system, gypsy travellers, LGBT young people, isolated and unemployed people; volunteers)

Indicators	source
LAC leaving school who have achieved literacy and numeracy at National Level 4	Children's Services Plan
Number of volunteers in the Tackling Poverty Reference Group undertaking SVQ in volunteering	Anti-Poverty Action Plan
Gypsy traveller children school attendance	DGC (CYPLL)
Number of Saltire Awards issued (Young People's volunteering awards)	TS,D&G Business Plan
Number of new volunteering opportunities	TS,D&G Business Plan
Projects	
Links to Work (covers specific groups in North West Dumfries and Stranraer)	DGC (EEI)
Community Case Study	
Development and changes to ESOL service in D&G	ESOL Partnership
Community Case Study	
Gypsy traveller who has benefitted from learning and training	Skills Development Scotland

Outcome 3 Health and Wellbeing inequalities are reduced

(Key group: lower life expectancy; Carers, young people, mental health, Carers, veterans LGBT, refugees, substance misuse and justice system)

Indicators	source
Premature mortality rate per 10,000 people	H&SC Strategic Plan
Increased support for vulnerable families and victims of those in the justice system	Anti-Poverty Strategy Action Plan
number of justice sector staff trained to deliver alcohol brief interventions	Community Justice Improvement Plan
Number of LAC and Care Leavers participating in Leisure and Sport activities	CSP
Children and Mental Health Services patients who started treatment within weeks	NHS,D&G Delivery Plan
Number of Alcohol Based Interventions delivered in priority settings(primary care; A&E; ante-natal)	H&SC Strategic Plan
% Carers who feel supported to continue their caring role	H&SC Strategic Plan
Project	
Delivery of the Better Eating Better Learning Breakfast Clubs	Anti-Poverty Strategy Action Plan
Sustain and embed successful smoking quits in the 40% most deprived areas	H&SC Strategic Plan
Delivery of the UK Syrian Refugee Resettlement Scheme in D&G	DGC (Communities)
Community Case Study	
Building Healthy Communities work in west Wigtownshire or the Machars	H&SC Partnership
Personal testimony	
The experience of a refugee/refugee family now living in our region	D&G Refugee Action (MOOL)

Outcome 4 There is affordable and warm housing for those who need it most

(key issues and groups younger adults esp care leavers, veterans, prison leavers, leaving hospital after a long stay, single adult households; older single people in rural areas; fuel poverty)

Indicators	source
Number of homelessness applications from applicants who were LAC as acknowledged by the local authority within the last five years	CSP
Number of affordable new homes through the SHIP	LHS
Projects	
Home Energy help for fuel poor households in D&G	APS Action Plan
Tenancy Sustainment Support for 18-25 year olds	LHS
Prison Outreach Services (by DAGCAS)	LHS
Community Case Studies	
Work of the South West Scotland RNR Charity to support injured ex-soldiers with housing in the local area	SWS RNR
Personal testimony	
A former patient leaving hospital after a long stay who lives in a remote rural location in Stewartry	H&SC Partnership

Outcome 5 the money available to people on Benefits and low wages is maximised

(key issues and groups: people in debt, maximise wage levels, promoting the Living Wage; care leavers, Carers and disabled people)

Indicators	source
Crisis grants processing time	DGC (Communities)
Number of days to process housing benefit (new claims)	DGC (Communities)
Number of adult Carers being supported	H&SC Strategic Plan DGC (EEI)
D&G average gross weekly pay	
Projects	
Increased promotion of the Living Wage	APS Action Plan
Development of Credit Unions	APS Action Plan
Community Caste Study	
The level of debt in our region and action being taken to address it	DAGCAS
Personal testimony	
A Carer who is getting financial education and/or support	Parents Inclusion Network

Outcome 6 People are safe and feel safe

(key issues child protection, domestic abuse, hate crime, substance misuse, bullying, health protection, home and road safety)

Indicators	source
% of children on the Child Protection Register for more than 36 weeks	CSP
% residents who feel safe in their local neighbourhood	DGC (Communities)
% detection rate for hate related crime	PS
Target perpetrators of domestic abuse and % detection rate	PS
number of drug deaths	RSP
number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads	RSP PS
number of accidental dwelling fires	
number of acquisitive crimes (housebreakings at residential properties)	
Projects	
Delivery of the Adult Protection Family Support Team Intervention Activities	APS Action Plan
Delivery of Operation Safety	RSP
Community Case Study	
The reporting of hate crime (including third party) and areas for improvement	The Equality Partnership
Personal testimony	
LGBT adult who has experienced bullying	LGBT Plus

Outcome 7 People are well connected

(key issues and groups: affordable transport options for disabled people and isolated people; Broadband helping businesses; access to computers with assistance for isolated areas and people experiencing poverty)

Indicators	source
proportion of D&G non-residential addresses that are within postcodes where Next Generation Broadband is available	DGC (EEI)
Projects	
Expand discounted travel	DGC (EEI)
Community Transport Provision (through the Public Social Partnership)	TS, D&G/SWestrans
Community Case Study	
Work of the Learners Together initiative	Learners Together
Personal testimony	
Disabled people's experience of travelling in D&G	DGVoice

Outcome 8 Individuals and communities are empowered

(key issues and groups: opportunities to contribute to you communities; people working with local organisations to improve services; having community voices heard; individuality of our region and diverse communities)

Indicators	source
% people who say 'I can influence decisions affecting my local area'	CLD Partners' Strategic Plan
Number of LAYP and care leavers having their voices heard on issues affecting young people	CSP
Number of campaigns and initiatives promoting diversity	Equality and Diversity Working Group Action Plan
Number of Participation Requests	DGC, NHSD&G; SE; PS; SFRS; and H&SCP DGC
Number of volunteers assisting with the delivery of services	(Communities); H&SCP Partnership
Projects	
Programme of community engagement opportunities in D&G 2018-2021	Participation and Engagement Working Group Action Plan
Development of Participatory Budgeting in DGC	DGC (Communities)
Community Case Study	
Moffat Collaboration Project	Moffat Community Council
Personal testimony	
An individual in D&G who has gained confidence to play an active role in community or public life	Sleeping Giants

Abbreviations

CSP – Children’s Services Plan

DGC – Dumfries and Galloway Council

CYPLL – Children Young People and Lifelong Learning Directorate

EEI – Economy Environment and Infrastructure Directorate

APS Anti-Poverty Strategy

H&SCP – Health and Social Care Strategic Plan

LHS – Local Housing Strategy

PS – Police Scotland

RSP – Road Safety Plan

TSD&G – Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway

Developing the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2027 Evaluation of the Engagement Process

1. Purpose of Engagement

Dumfries and Galloway Strategic Partnership wanted to understand views of people experiencing socio-economic disadvantage and inequality of outcome in order to develop a Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP) that responded to local need.

2. Key Stakeholders

2.1 Dumfries and Galloway Strategic Partnership had structures in place to enable representation of those experiencing socio-economic disadvantage and inequality of outcome to contribute to the community planning process. The key stakeholders identified to influence the development of the LOIP were:

- Dumfries and Galloway Strategic Partnership and Executive Group
- Equality and Diversity Working Group (representatives of organisations supporting or advocating protected characteristics groups)
- Lead Officers for 8 supporting strategies that deliver the LOIP Outcomes;
 - Anti-Poverty Strategy
 - Children's Services Plan
 - Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan
 - Community Learning and Development Partners' Strategic Plan
 - Health and Social Care Strategic Plan
 - Local Housing Strategy
 - Regional Economic Strategy
 - Regional Transport Strategy
- Tackling Poverty Coordination Group (volunteers with lived experience of poverty)

2.2 Working together stakeholders were involved in planning the engagement process, identifying appropriate methods of engagement and producing resources to support their involvement.

3. Process

3.1 The Community Planning Partnership committed to improving the quality of engagement processes by providing training for staff to improve their confidence, knowledge and skill in consultation. Staff carrying out the engagement were guided by the National Standards for Community Engagement and benefitted from Best Practice in Consultation training delivered by the Consultation Institute.

3.2 The engagement process undertaken and all feedback gathered between February – November 2017 to inform the development of the LOIP is detailed in Appendix 3 to the LOIP.

3.3 Appendix 3 will also include an evaluation of the engagement process to identify strengths and areas for improvement. It is important that the Executive Group and Community Planning Partnership have an opportunity to contribute to this evaluation. Partners may wish to discuss the extent to which the CPP has achieved the following:

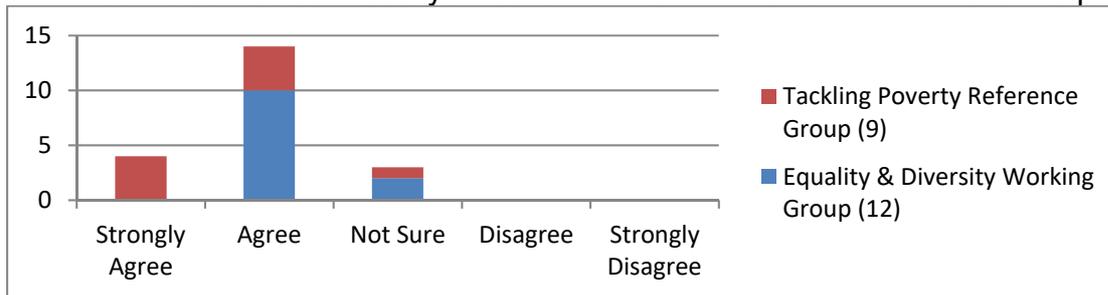
1. CP partners contributed effectively to the development of the LOIP.

2. The CPP has worked with community organisations as key stakeholders, specifically targeting those organisations tackling poverty and inequality.
3. As a result of effective participation the CPP has a clear understanding of the needs of those experiencing poverty and inequality in Dumfries and Galloway
4. The content, format and performance management of the LOIP has been influenced by contributions from the key stakeholders named in paragraph 2.

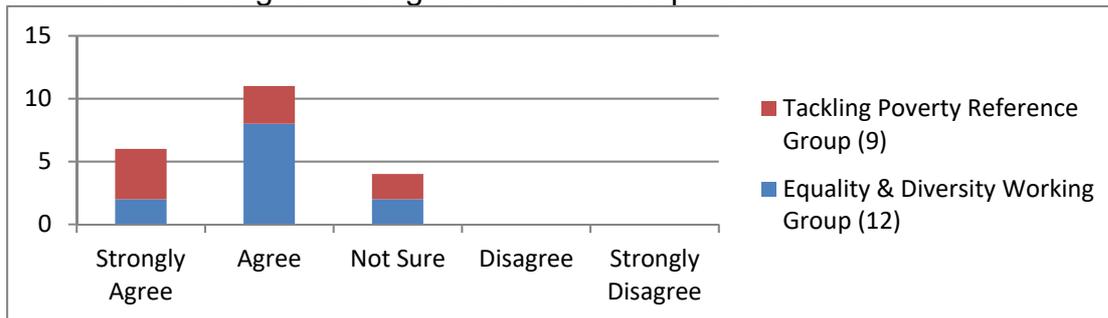
4. Evaluation Results to date

4.1 Focus Groups were held the Equality and Diversity Working Group and Tackling Poverty Reference Groups to gather feedback on their experience of the process.

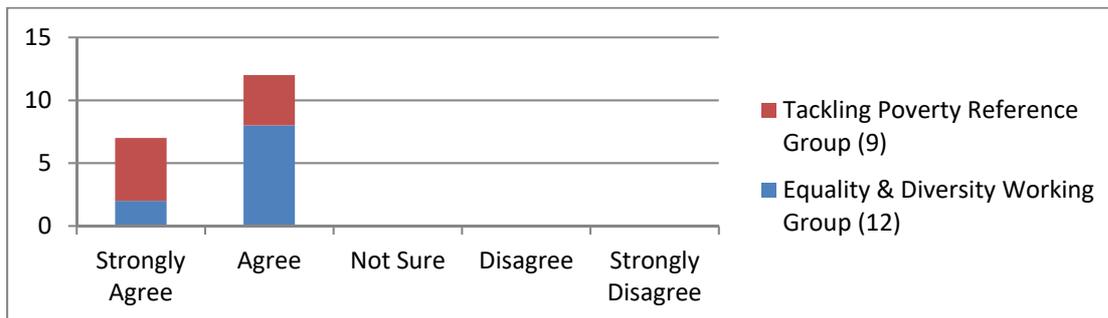
1. I received and could easily understand the information that I needed to participate.



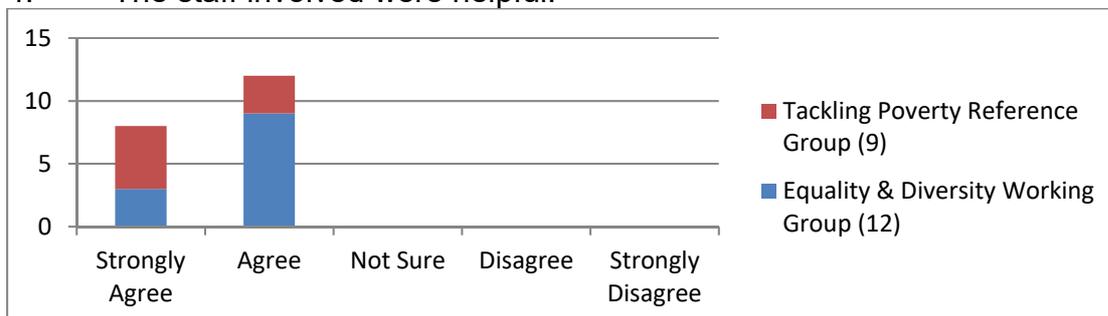
2. I had enough time to give an informed opinion.



3. I felt my views were listened to.



4. The staff involved were helpful.



5. How could your experience have been improved?

- “A very interesting and thought provoking experience – a timely plan (LOIP) especially to tackle and reduce poverty in our towns and regions.”
- “A Buffet lunch”
- “This was my first experience of an E&D Working Group meeting, so it wasn't particularly easy to make an informed decision. Would be interested to see some of the evidence – can go and have a look if available online”
- “I understood all information, even though I did not speak out I agree with all that was discussed.”
- “Having more time to go into the nuts and bolts of things.”
- “Information and way this was presented was really good and easy to understand”
- “I liked it that we kept getting updates on what was happening and I could see by the papers how our views were being listened to”
- “The information leaflet we had at the beginning was really helpful in making it clear what a LOIP was.”

4.2 External Evaluation

The recent HMle Inspection of Community Learning and Development activity in the Dumfries area included a focus group with the Tackling Poverty Reference Group. In HMle's assessment of the strategic leadership of community learning and development the report states *“Local people in the Tackling Poverty Reference Group report directly to the CPP. Their opinions are valued and have a direct influence on the development of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan. This effective practice merits sharing elsewhere.”*

Members of the Tackling Poverty Reference considering the LOIP – Oct 2017





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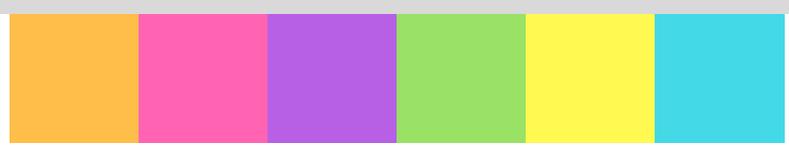


RE-FOCUSSING THE LENS ON OUR YOUNG PEOPLE IN 2018



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FOREWORD



Young people are one of Dumfries and Galloway's greatest assets and for Scotland's Year of Young People, our Council has co-designed an aspirational plan for Dumfries and Galloway.

Providing the best start for our children and young people is a key priority for our Council. The ambitious plan outlined here ensures that our Council strives to invest in our young people and support them to become successful learners, confident individuals, effective contributors and responsible citizens.

This plan also highlights the confidence that national organisations have in Dumfries and Galloway to host and contribute to national and international events for young people. Our signature events programme for 2018 will bring the very best events that happen during Scotland's Year of Young People to our area, here in Dumfries and Galloway.

We are particularly pleased that the Scottish Government has acknowledged the Youth Beatz Festival including The Toon as a unique celebration of youth culture and the positive outcomes it meets for young people. We look forward to our Council welcoming thousands of young people from across Scotland to Dumfries and Galloway to the many events held next year.

Councillor Elaine Murray

Leader - Dumfries & Galloway Council

Councillor Rob Davidson

Depute Leader - Dumfries & Galloway Council

Scotland's year of young people gives us the opportunity to celebrate our young people in Dumfries and Galloway and highlight the important contribution they make to civic life.

This year long plan of activities, experiences and events will not only provide the chance to celebrate our young people but also to help develop their skills and capabilities. As our Council's Young People's Champion, I look forward to the many events that will grow our young people and build their skills which will stay with them for life.

Through the hosting of a number of national and international events in 2018, we also have a real opportunity to showcase our region to young people across Scotland and further afield.

Councillor Adam Wilson

Young Peoples Champion



This plan has been developed in consultation with young people across the length and breadth of Dumfries and Galloway. The events, projects and activities that will be delivered during 2018 are designed to create opportunities for young people to shine locally, nationally and globally. It will feature a range of high-profile events and an exciting grassroots programme accessible and inclusive to all young people in rural Dumfries and Galloway.

The Young People's Project Team are honoured to be representing Dumfries and Galloway's youth during such a momentous year that will celebrate and showcase the achievements and talents of young people across our region.

Jordan Todd

Chairperson - Dumfries and Galloway's Year of Young People Steering Group



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VISION AND MISSION

OUR VISION

Celebrate the personalities, talents and achievements of young people in Dumfries and Galloway and showcase the best of Dumfries and Galloway to young people across Scotland.

MISSION TO DELIVER THE VISION

Deliver an aspirational programme for the Year of Young People 2018, providing a range of experiences, activities and events across the region that have a clear legacy and impact for Dumfries and Galloway.



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INTRODUCTION

As part of the Scottish Government's programme of themed years, 2018 has been identified as the Year of Young People, aiming to inspire Scotland through its young people, celebrating their achievements, valuing their contribution to communities and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

This is an exciting opportunity for Dumfries and Galloway to co-produce an innovative and dynamic calendar of projects, experiences and events to celebrate and showcase young people and youth work across our region.

The responsibility leading the development of this plan rests with the local authority, however, the plan is a regional plan and not just a Council plan. Each directorate within our Council and a number of third sector organisations are involved and significant consultation and engagement with wider stakeholders including young people took place to develop the plan.

The Dumfries and Galloway Plan has 3 high level strands which have been agreed by the strategic group and the youth steering group



Hosting of National Events For Young People



Local opportunities, experiences & community activities

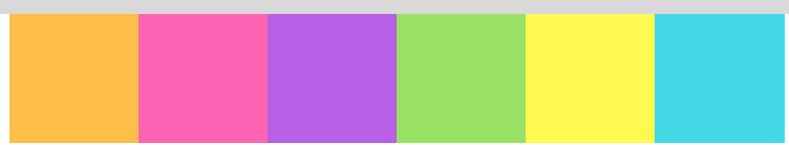


Participation in national events and programmes for young people in Dumfries & Galloway



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WHAT IS YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE - IN A NUTSHELL

Year of Young People 2018 is an opportunity to celebrate the amazing young personalities, talents, and achievers that make up Scotland. It's all about inspiring our nation through its young people's ideas, attitudes and ambitions.

This year long programme of events, activities and ideas will give young people in Scotland the opportunity to show the world what they're made of. Year of Young People 2018 is something everyone can support (young or young-at-heart) and be immensely proud of.

An in-depth engagement process was undertaken by young people in 2015 and 2016 across Scotland, including Dumfries and Galloway.

Based on what was heard through this engagement process, young people made recommendations for what the aim, objectives and priority themes should be for the Year of Young People 2018. All activity delivered through Year of Young People 2018 will be developed with a clear focus on meeting these aims and objectives.

AIMS

Year of Young People 2018 aims to inspire Scotland through its young people, celebrating their achievements, valuing their contribution to communities and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

OBJECTIVES

- Provide a platform for young people to have their views heard and acted upon
- Showcase the amazing talents of young people through events and media
- Develop better understanding, co-operation and respect between generations
- Recognise the impact of teachers, youth workers and other supporting adults on young people's lives
- Provide opportunities for young people to express themselves through culture, sport and other activities



culture

Share and celebrate young people's talent and contribution to Scottish culture and arts.



health and wellbeing

Make sure young people have the chance to lead healthy, active lives and understand the importance of mental health and resilience.



enterprise and regeneration

Celebrate young people's role in innovation, entrepreneurship and the Scottish economy as well as making Scotland a greener and more pleasant place to live.



equality and discrimination

Recognise the positive impact of young people in Scotland and encourage them to take the lead in challenging all forms of prejudice and discrimination.



education

Allow young people to have more say in their education and learning.



participation

Give young people the chance to influence decisions that affect their lives.



RE-FOCUSSING THE LENS ON OUR YOUNG PEOPLE

Dumfries and Galloway is located in the South West of Scotland. It is the 3rd largest region in Scotland covering 6,439sq meters. The region borders with various local authorities – East Ayrshire, South Ayrshire and Borders Regions in Scotland and Cumbria in England.

In Dumfries and Galloway, there is a youth population of over 25'000 young people aged 10-25 based on the Crichton Institute's local area profiles that were produced in 2011.

Of this, 18.8% reside in Wigtownshire, 14.2% in Stewartry, 42.1% in Nithsdale and 24.9% in Annandale and Eskdale.

Dumfries and Galloway has a long standing tradition of supporting young people and successfully hosting events for young people including Youth Beatz Festival, Commonwealth Youth Summit, Young Quality Scot Awards, Children and Youth Arts Festival and Under 20's Ice Sports Championships.

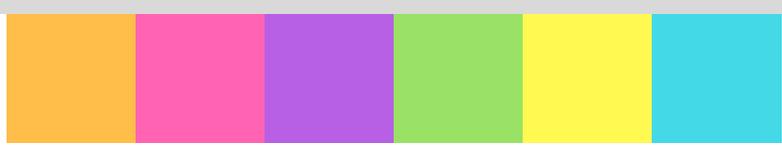
The Year of Young People 2018 is an opportunity to refocus the lens and focus on what is great about young people in Dumfries and Galloway. The year gives us an opportunity to discuss with young people what we offer them and what our offer for young people in Dumfries and Galloway should be in the future. It is an opportunity to provide universal opportunities for all our young people as well as providing targeted events for our young people most in need.





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DEVELOPING THE PLAN

To ensure Dumfries and Galloway maximises the opportunities around Scotland's Year of Young People a strategic group has been established and has been meeting since early 2017. This group includes representatives from young people within the Youth Steering Group, all directorates within our Council and Third Sector organisations. There are over 30 organisations represented in the group. The group is co-chaired by the young person who is the Chair of the Youth Steering Group and the Manager - Young People.

The remit of this group is:

- Provide strategic overview of Year of Young People for Dumfries & Galloway to maximise impact & reduce duplication.
- Lead on all aspects of Year of Young People for Dumfries & Galloway

DELIVERING THE PLAN

The Young Peoples Service within the Children, Young People and Lifelong Learning Directorate has strategic responsibility for the delivery and co-ordination of the Year of Young People in Dumfries and Galloway. Each theme has an identified service to act as the lead.

It is important that young people are at the heart of everything we do for the year and to ensure young people are involved in all decisions and shape the plans for the year, young people have been engaged in the following ways:-



Youth Steering Group (Celebr18) - This is a group of 16 young people from across Dumfries and Galloway that has representatives from all 4 areas and they provide oversight and direction of our work in relation to the Year of Young People. They lead on projects and activities to create events and opportunities to celebrate young people. The opportunity to be part of the group is open to any young person and the initial group was recruited to from a range of organisations working with young people.

National Ambassadors - Ambassadors ensure that people and organisations in their communities know about what's happening. Together with other Ambassadors they lead on projects and activities to create events and opportunities to celebrate young people. There are 200 ambassadors across Scotland, and Dumfries and Galloway has ambassadors who are all be part of the youth steering group.

Communic18 National Group - Communic18, are the co-design champions for the whole of the Year of Young People and are involved in making key decisions about the celebratory year. The Communic18 role includes taking part in funding panels, supporting activity in local authority areas, supervising the year's six themes, helping to spread the word about the Year of Young People and how to support it, amongst local communities. Dumfries and Galloway has 1 representative on this group, alongside 31 other local authority representatives. The young person was selected after a rigorous selection process that was conducted by Young Scot, The national youth information charity for Scotland on behalf of The Scottish Government.



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CONSULTATION AND FINDINGS

INTRODUCTION

The purpose of the consultation was to engage with young people, aged 8-25 years and living in Dumfries and Galloway, primarily to find out what youth opportunities and experiences they would like to see happen in the region as part of the Year of Young People. At the same time we took the opportunity to discuss some of the key challenges and issues faced by young people to help us develop a better understanding of the barriers to participation, the needs of local communities and the gaps in opportunities for young people.

The consultation was carried out jointly by Dumfries and Galloway Council's Youth Work Service and young people from the Dumfries and Galloway Project Team (youth steering group for Year of Young People)

METHODOLOGY

The consultation was carried out during May & June 2017. A range of approaches were adopted to involve different groups of young people that were relevant, accessible and appropriate to their age and ability.

Resources and activities such as mobile youth centre, photo booths, team games, arts & crafts and vote with your feet were used to create an informal, fun and engaging environment.

EVENT	TARGET AGE	NUMBER	GEOGRAPHIC AREA
Visioning Day	8 - 12 year olds	57	Primary Schools across D&G
Interactive Workshops	12 - 18 year olds	268	Secondary Schools across D&G
Surveys	12 - 25 year olds	312	Youth Groups/centres across D&G
Focus Groups	8 - 25 year olds	70	Held across D&G

The conversations within the workshops focused on the following topics:

1. YOYP Aspirations
2. Scottish Celebrations
3. Communication
4. Respect
5. Being Young in Dumfries & Galloway
6. Youth Opportunities
7. Youth Participation & Democracy





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CONSULTATION AND FINDINGS

RESULTS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The main findings have been summarised to enable the Year of Young People Strategic Group and Youth Steering Group to take forward key priorities for 2018.

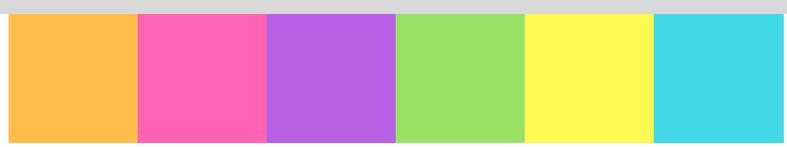
- The exercise provided a wealth of information about existing groups and organisations within the region that are currently providing excellent services for our young people and highlighted areas where there is a clear lack of opportunities.
- Young people expressed a desire for more arts and physical based activity, opportunities to participate in events and trips and opportunities to be involved in local decision making processes.
- Transport, cost and confidence are the main barriers stopping young people from participating in youth work opportunities outwith their own community
- Young people want more opportunities to develop their wider achievement, employability, confidence and skills
- Young people want more opportunities to influence decisions that affect their life, including their education
- Preferred methods of communication with young people is via social media, youth workers or through school
- Celebrating and recognising achievement is important to young people
- Young people view Dumfries and Galloway as a nice and safe place to live but feel disadvantaged by the rurality of some areas across the region

CONCLUSION

From the information gathered through the consultation the following key priorities have been agreed as a focus for the Dumfries and Galloway Year of Young People plan.

1. Increase opportunities for young people in Dumfries and Galloway to take part in free, accessible and positive activities and experiences including opportunities to participate in wider achievement & accreditation
2. Deliver youth opportunities in smaller towns and villages across the region and promote the existing groups and organisations
3. Develop opportunities for young people to participate fully in their own local community of place through active citizenship, volunteering and having their voices heard with local decision makers
4. Develop a robust communication strategy that involves utilising social media as the primary way of contacting young people
5. Create opportunities for young people to participate in activities and events outwith the region
6. Create opportunities to celebrate and showcase the talents and contributions of young people regionally





Signature EVENTS

Our Council has been working with various national organisations to host some of the national Year of Young People events within Dumfries and Galloway as well as enhancing the Youth Beatz Festival. Our signature events programme has events across the region throughout 2018.



66th SCOTTISH YOUTH PARLIAMENT SITTING
 Hosting the national youth parliament for the first time in Dumfries and Galloway
When: 9th & 10th June 2018
Key Partner: Scottish Youth Parliament

MOVING FORWARD TOGETHER
 Regional gathering of adults working or volunteering with young people to develop new collaborations and sharing of good practice nationally and locally
When: 27th October 2018

DUKE OF EDINBURGH'S AWARD NATIONAL YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE EVENT
 Leadership and skills development residential for young people from across Scotland involved in DofE
When: 17th - 21st September 2018
Key Partner: Duke of Edinburgh's Award Scotland

STRANRAER

NEWTON STEWART

KIRKCUDBRIGHT



YOUTH BEATZ FESTIVAL
 Scotlands largest free youth music and education event including The Toon and Fringe

When: 23rd June - 1st July 2018
Key Partner: Oasis Events Team & The Toon Productions

CLOSING EVENT
 Final celebration of young peoples achievements over 2018, and launching the results of 10,000 voices

When: 6th December 2018
Key Partner: The Crichton Trust

UNDER 20 WORLD ICE HOCKEY CHAMPIONSHIPS & DUMFRIES CHALLENGER SERIES CHAMPIONS TOUR

Hosting of the Under 20s World Ice Hockey Championships & Dumfries Challenger Series Champions Tour

When: 9th - 17th December 2017
Key Partner: International Ice Hockey Federation, Ice Hockey UK & Dumfries Ice Bowl Curling Association (DIBCA)

LAUNCH EVENT
 To kickstart the year of young people, a lantern procession followed by a youth music concert and fireworks display

When: 12th January 2018
Key Partner: Annan Athletic FC

LGBT NATIONAL YOUTH GATHERING
 National gathering to celebrate LGBT Young people from across Scotland and support the development of LGBT Youth social action programme

When: 12th - 15th April 2018
Key Partner: The Crichton Trust & LGBT Youth Scotland

#ROOTS
 A regional get together of all young people involved in youth democracy, including our care experienced young people to look at the past, present and future of being young in Dumfries and Galloway

When: 10th March 2018
Key Partner: Life Changes Trust

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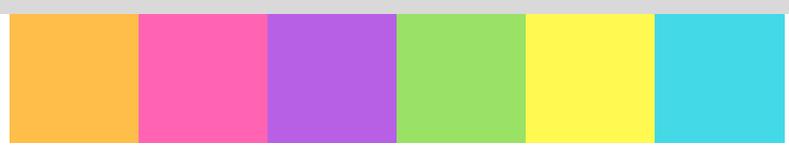
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10,000 VOICES

10'000 voices is set to be Dumfries and Galloway's largest ever exercise to collect the views of young people aged 10-25 from the issues impacting them, to their perceptions of the communities in which they live, and will run throughout 2018.

This project will involve young people in every phase from the initial planning and development through to the delivery and the subsequent analysis and reporting of the findings. This information will be used to inform a 5 year strategic plan for young people's services and will be an excellent insight into young people's views and priorities for all organisations working iwth young people across Dumfries and Galloway.

Engagement will begin in January 2018 at the Year of Young People launch event and will continue throughout the year at a range of events, community based provision and alongside our local secondary, higher and further education centres.

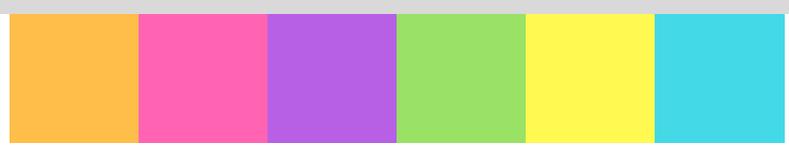
The findings of 10,000 Voices will be announced at the closing event in December 2018.





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APPENDIX 1

DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE PARTNERSHIP

PROGRAMMES AND ACTIONS



CULTURE



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Share and celebrate young people's talent and contribution to Scottish culture and arts.

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Launch Event	A lantern procession and youth musical showcase. Where young people become aware of, and know how to get involved in, the Year of Young People events and opportunities happening across Dumfries & Galloway	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan 2018	Participation
Try- Arts Try-Sport Try-Science	Young people have increased opportunities to participate in the arts, sport and science through a programme of taster sessions delivered in local communities across the region, giving opportunities to express themselves through culture, leisure and the sciences.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Arts Sector Partners Community Sports Clubs STEM Providers	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation Health & Wellbeing Education
Big DoG	A Children's Book Festival for Dumfries	Wigtown Festival Company	April 2018	Participation
Youth Beatz Festival	An 8 day festival for 12-25 year olds which includes the community fringe events, The Toon and the enhanced main Youth Beatz day	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Oasis Events Team The Toon Productions	June - July 2018	Participation Education
Wigtown Book Festival – WTF18	Young people are involved in developing youth opportunities to be included as part of Wigtown Book Festival.	Wigtown Festival Company	Oct 2018	Participation
Wigtown Childrens Festival	Literature festival for children	Wigtown Festival Company	Oct 2018	Participation
Dreams for the Future - Celebrating the opening of the National Centre for Children's Literature and Storytelling at the birthplace of Peter Pan	Creating a major international visitor attraction for Dumfries and Galloway due to open end 2018. Community events to celebrate the opening of the Centre and highlighting the town's heritage and connections with the creation of the story of Peter Pan	Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust	Nov 2018	Participation Education
Closing Event	Young people's talents, skills, contribution to local communities and achievements, including young businesses, are recognised and celebrated through the closing event.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) The Crichton Trust	Dec 2018	Participation Education

STRATEGIC LEAD - YOUNG PEOPLES SERVICES (YOUTH WORK)



EDUCATION



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Allow young people to have more say in their education and learning

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Careers Education	Young people (3-18) will have opportunities to learn about the world of work, including STEM partnership working, e.g. presentations, activities, career mentoring sessions. They will have opportunities to profile skills and qualities and be aware of rights and responsibilities. Careers education in D&G schools will promote diversity and challenge discrimination.	Schools Services	Jan - Dec 2018	Enterprise & Regeneration Health & Wellbeing Equality & Discrimination
Pupil Councils and Student Forums	Young people will have opportunities to participate in the life of the school. These bodies will have responsibility for sharing Pupil Voice within schools, reflecting on key themes e.g. curriculum, learning and teaching, self evaluation.	Schools Services	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation
Past, Present and Future of being young in Dumfries and Galloway	An intergenerational project exploring what being young in the region was 50 years ago, capturing what it is like now and looking to the future to 2068. The project will include burying a time capsule to be opened in 2068	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation
Schools for the Future	The new facilities at North West Campus and St Joseph's College will open and these facilities will improve the learning estate and increase learning opportunities for young people.	Schools Services	April 2018	
Kirkcudbright Art Gallery Education Programme	Young people will engage and experience new opportunities for learning through the opening of the new art gallery.	Kirkcudbright Art Gallery	April 2018	Culture
Peer Programmes	Young people will have the opportunity to lead groups of learners within school communities and thus shape the culture within these communities e.g. MPV programme supported by Police Scotland's Violence Reduction Unit and ASSIST programme supported by NHS, Local Authority and Third Sector, LGBT Schools Charter supported by LGBT Youth Scotland.	Schools Services	June 2018	Health and Wellbeing Equality & Discrimination



ENTERPRISE & REGENERATION



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Celebrate young people's role in innovation, entrepreneurship and the Scottish economy as well as making Scotland a greener and more pleasant place to live

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Enterprise and Entrepreneurial skills - young businesses	Young people will have opportunities to participate in structured programmes e.g. Young enterprise Scotland, Micro-Tyco etc. They will learn fundamental business principles in a safe environment and reflect on experiences for learning purposes.	Employability & Skills Service	Jan - Dec 2018	
Planning for the Future Residential Programme	Provide young people with the skills to make informed choices about their future career choices including giving young people the chance to explore different career pathways through a regional residential programme at the Barony College	Employability Partnership Schools Services	June 2018	Education Participation Equality & Discrimination
Business Week – Developing Young Workforce	Young people can showcase their business expertise and share experiences with other businesses and young entrepreneurs	Employability Partnership	Oct 2018	
Moving Forward Together	Regional gathering of adults working or volunteering with young people to develop new collaborations and sharing of good practice nationally and locally	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Oct 2018	Participation
Dumfries Learning Town Career Event	A careers event where young people can meet employers from various businesses across the region, learn about career pathways and find out about career opportunities available in the region	Employability Partnership	Nov 2018	Education

STRATEGIC LEAD - EMPLOYABILITY AND SKILLS SERVICE



EQUALITY & DISCRIMINATION



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Recognise the positive impact of young people in Scotland and encourage them to take the lead in challenging all forms of prejudice and discrimination

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Pay It Forward	<p>Young people are trained and supported to volunteer safely and effectively within their own communities of place or interest.</p> <p>Improved public perception of young people.</p>	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Participation Health & Wellbeing
#ROOTS	A regional get together of all young people involved in youth democracy, including our care experienced young people to look at the past, present and future of being young in Dumfries and Galloway	Young Peoples Service (Champions Board Team)	March 2018	Participation
LGBT National Youth Gathering	Celebrate diversity and the lives of LGBT young people across Scotland through bringing 250 LGBT Young People together in the region for a national gathering	LGBT Youth Scotland Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) The Crichton Trust	April 2018	Participation Health & Wellbeing
The Toon Productions	<p>The Toon is an issue based drama production taking a look into some of the real life issues faced by today's young people.</p> <p>The Toon is a hard hitting way of informing young people aged 14 - 25 about current issues that may be affecting them or may affect them in the future.</p>	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	June 2018	Culture Health & Wellbeing Education Participation
I'm a Councillor – Get Me Out Of Here!!	Fun, informal opportunities for young people to have their voices heard with local decision makers in a safe and controlled environment.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Oct 2018	Participation

STRATEGIC LEAD - YOUNG PEOPLES SERVICES (YOUTH WORK)



HEALTH & WELLBEING



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Make sure young people have the chance to lead healthy, active lives and understand the importance of mental health and resilience.

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Under 20 World Ice Hockey Championships	Hosting the International Ice Hockey Federations Men's under 20 World Championship Div 2a which will see Great Britain, Japan, Korea, Romania, Netherlands and Estonia compete here on our doorstep.	Leisure and Sport	Dec 2017	Culture Education Participation
Cool2Talk	Implement a digital health intervention "Cool2Talk", an interactive website for young people that will provide young people with access to digital health information.	Health & Wellbeing	Jan 2018	Education Equality & Discrimination
Young People as Leaders in Dance	Develop opportunities for young people through dance leadership programmes and events that enhance their skills and abilities to deliver sustainable dance programmes and activities.	Health and Wellbeing	Mar - Jul 2018	Culture Education Participation
Area Committee and Sports Grant Funding	Discussions will take place around Area Committee Funding and Local Sports Grants Funding for the 2018 – 2019 financial year will include additional criteria in support of Young people's progression or development in their chosen field or sport, and events or programmes for young people.	Health & Wellbeing	Mar - Dec 2018	Participation
Young People as Leaders in Sport	Develop a year long programme of opportunities for young people through leadership programmes that enhance pathways and progression into further education and employment in the field of sport and physical activity. This will see an increased programme of opportunities to participate in sport and physical activity.	Health & Wellbeing	Sept/Oct 2018	Participation Education
Mental Health and Resilience Programme to Support Young People	Implement a systematic and sustainable long term Mental Health Framework to maximise the mental health and wellbeing of our young people.	Health & Wellbeing	Ongoing	

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Give young people the chance to influence decisions that affect their lives.

PROGRAMME/ACTION	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	TIMESCALE	OTHER YOYP THEMES
Young Peoples Choices	A participatory budgeting project that will allow young people to apply for funding to deliver young person led YOYP projects, that will be selected by other young people voting for their choices	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	ALL THEMES
Educational Excursions Out of the Region	Young people across the region have opportunities to participate in YOYP events across Scotland.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Culture
2018 Bucket List	Opportunities for young people to have a say in their own learning journey through an interactive and challenging project using modern day technologies to engage with hardly reached young people.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Health and Wellbeing Education Culture
Fun Sized Tour	Outreach youth work programme to increase the opportunities for young people living in remote and rural places to participate in youth work provision within their own communities.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan - Dec 2018	Culture Health & Wellbeing
Develop and launch a new youth engagement and participation strategy,	providing a joined up approach for how young people influence decisions and have their voice heard meaningfully	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Jan 2018	
Holiday Programmes	Young people have increased opportunities to take part in free, accessible events and activities.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Apr 2018 July 2018 Oct 2018	Health and Wellbeing Culture
Scottish Youth Parliament – National Sitting	Our region will host the National Scottish Youth Parliament sitting in the West of the region.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Scottish Youth Parliament	June 2018	Equality & Discrimination Education
Amaze Me Leader	Hosting of European exchanges between young people in different countries.	Dumfries & Galloway Leader	August 2018	Culture
Duke of Edinburgh Award –National YOYP Event	300 Young people across Scotland inc. uniformed groups, come together to further develop their volunteering and leadership through sharing experiences & challenges at the national DofE event.	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work) Duke of Edinburgh's Award Uniformed Groups	Sept 2018	Health & Wellbeing
International Youth Volunteering Exchange	25 young people from across the region will work on a global education project exploring global issues and culminating in an international youth exchange	Young Peoples Service (Youth Work)	Oct 2018	Culture Education



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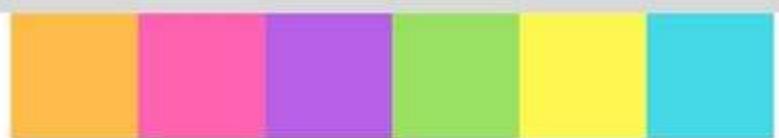
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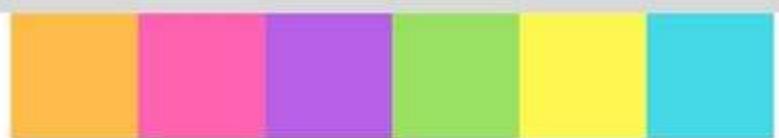
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DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE PARTNERSHIP

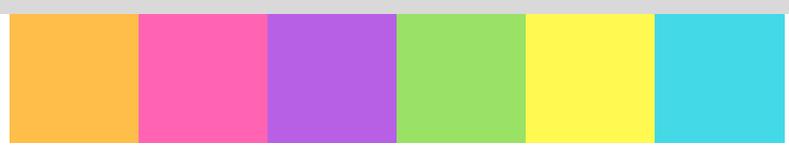
EVENTS AND ACTIVITY CALENDAR



Event/Activity	Location	Lead Service	Identified YOYP Theme
Jan-18			
Launch Event	Annan	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Big Burns Supper outreach work with schools	Various	Schools Services	Culture
Big Burns Supper	Dumfries	Big Burns Supper	Culture & Participation
Feb-18			
Southern Scottish Counties Burns Association Regional and Scottish Competitions	TBC	Education	Culture
Portfest- Traditional songwriters music (Portpatrick)	Wigtownshire	Portfest- Traditional songwriters music (Portpatrick)	Culture
Mar-18			
#Roots	Lockerbie	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
D&G Environmental Fair	Nithsdale	Dumfries and Galloway Council	Culture
Dumfries and District Music Festival Association – Speech, Music, Scottish Country Dancing, Accordion & Fiddle	Dumfries Academy	Schools Services	Culture
Young Enterprise Scotland Awards Evening	Easterbrook Hall, Dumfries	Schools Services	Enterprise & Regeneration
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live- A minimum of 6 events programmed for young people by young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live- A minimum of 4 events programmed for young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
A Taste of Your Future	SRUC – Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
Wild Film Festival	Region-wide	Southern Uplands Trust	Culture
Apr-18			
LGBT National Youth Gathering	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Big DoG Festival	Region-wide	Wigtown Festival Company	Culture
Playwrights' Scratch	Region-wide	DG Arts Festival	Culture
Big Lit	Stewartry	The Bakehouse	Culture
May-18			
Moniaive Folk Festival	Nithsdale	Moniaive Festival Village	Culture
Maidens of Music	Nithsdale	Independent (Carol Brotherston)	Culture
DG Arts Festival	Region-wide	DG Arts Festival	Culture & Participation
Festival of Museums	Region-wide		Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival A minimum of 5 Events programmed for young people by young people	Various locations across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival- A minimum of 15 events programmed for young people as part of the 10 day arts festival	Various locations across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Spring Fling	Region-wide	Upland	Culture
Springfling outreach work with school	Various	Schools Services	Education
Da Vinci Competition	TBC	Schools Services	Education
Annual Open Day	SRUC – Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
South West Scotland Community Woodland Trust -Taliesen Kids Camp	Stewartry	South West Scotland Community Woodland Trust (Taliesen) Kids Camp	Culture Participation
Jun-18			
66th Scottish Youth Parliament Sitting	Stranraer	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Student Film Festival	Nithsdale	Dumfries & Galloway College	Culture
World Peace Festival	Nithsdale	Allanton Peace Prayer Sanctuary	Culture
Theatre Stage at Youth Beatz- Theatre showcase for young people	Dumfries	DG Arts Festival & Young Peoples Services	Culture
Dumfries and Galloway College Schools' Competition	Dumfries and Galloway College	Schools Services	Education
Annual Prizegiving Awards	SRUC – Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
RHET Farm Visits	SRUC Crichton and Barony Campus	SRUC	Education
Planning For Your Future Residential Event	Crichton Campus / SRUC Barony Campus	CCLG	Education
Crest Awards Ceremonies	Regional (Stranraer, DLT & Dalbeattie)	Schools of the Future and Dumfries & Galloway College	Education
Stewartry Careers Day	Stewartry	Stewartry Schools YGC's	Education
Kirkcudbright Jazz Festival	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Jazz Festival	Culture
Youth Beatz Festival	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	



Jul-18			
Moniaive Comic Festival	Moniaive	Moniaive Festival Village	Culture
Galloway Children's Festival (Kirkcudbright)	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Culture
Midsummer Music Festival (Gatehouse of Fleet)	Stewartry	Gatehouse of Fleet Festival Group	Culture
Creative Whithorn - Arts and Craft Trail	Wigtownshire	Creative Whithorn - Arts and Craft	Culture
Let's get Sporty Super Sunday Fun Day	Easterbrook Hall	Let's get Sporty	Health & Wellbeing
Aug-18			
Electric Fields	Nithsdale	Electric Fields	Culture
Environmental Arts Festival Scotland	Region wide		Participation
Kirkcudbright Art and Crafts Trail	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Art and Crafts Trail/ Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Culture
Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Stewartry	Kirkcudbright Summer Festivities	Culture
Let's Get Celebrating	TBC	Let's get Sporty	Participation
Lowland Gathering- (Stranraer)	Wigtownshire	Lowland Gathering- Stranraer	Culture
Sep-18			
Duke of Edinburgh's Award National Year of Young People Event	Kirkcudbright	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Lockerbie Jazz Festival	Annandale & Eskdale	Lockerbie Jazz Festival	Culture
Moniaive Michaelmass and Bluegrass Festival	Nithsdale	Moniaive Festival Village	Culture
Nithraid	Nithsdale	The Stove Network	Culture
Sanctuary Lab- Murray's monument, Newton Stewart	Wigtownshire		Culture
Wigtown Book Festival – school's programme	Wigtown	Schools Services	Education
Higher Education Conference	Easterbrook Hall Dumfries	Schools Services	Education
Proposed Crichton Campus Roadshow	Regional	Crichton Campus	Education
WTF18	Wigtownshire	Wigtown Festival Company	Participation
Oct-18			
Moving Forward Together	Newton Stewart	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Dumfries Music Conference	Nithsdale	The Stove Network	Culture
Wigtown Book Festival	Wigtownshire	Wigtown Festival Company	Culture
Wigtown Children's Festival	Wigtown	Wigtown Festival Company	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live A minimum of 6 events programmed for young people by young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Dumfries & Galloway Arts live A minimum of 4 events programmed for young people	Various venues across the region	Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival	Culture
Gender Imbalance Day	Dumfries & Galloway College	Dumfries & Galloway College	Education
Nov-18			
STEM Day	Dumfries & Galloway College	St Joseph's College	Education
Schools! Creative projects in schools culminating in special events in town	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Inspired! celebrity guests share their story and meet local young people at National Centre for Children's Literature & Storytelling	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
CrocRock! Community Parade with giant light-up ticking crocodile leading to spectacular Peter Pan themed town Christmas Lights Switch On	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
DLT Careers Event & Dumfries & Galloway College's Open Doors Event	Dumfries & Galloway College	DLT/DGTAP/ Dumfries & Galloway College	Education
Dec-18			
Staged! music and theatre commissions and performances in local venues (all by young people), performed alongside a staged production of the first play of JM	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Mutiny! Takeover Day when the National Centre will be opened to the public and run and organised by a team of young volunteers	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Shared! Young people takeover the story of the opening of Moat Brae – using social media and creative content development	Dumfries	Peter Pan, Moat Brae Trust	Education
Nursing Open Day	Crichton Campus	UWS / NHS	Health & Wellbeing
Under 20 World Ice Hockey Championships & European Curling Championships	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
Closing Event	Dumfries	Dumfries and Galloway Council	
No Confirmed Dates			
School concerts and performances	Various	Schools Services	Education
School activities / Health week	Various	Schools Services	Health & Wellbeing
Annandale and Eskdale Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Annandale and Eskdale	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Nithsdale Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Nithsdale	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Stewartry Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Stewartry	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Wigtownshire Physical Education, Physical Activity and Sport (PEPAS) Calendar	Wigtownshire	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Disability Sport Calendar	Dumfries and Galloway	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Secondary School Sport Calendar	Dumfries and Galloway	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing
Dance and Physical Activity Calendar	Dumfries and Galloway	Wellbeing	Health & Wellbeing



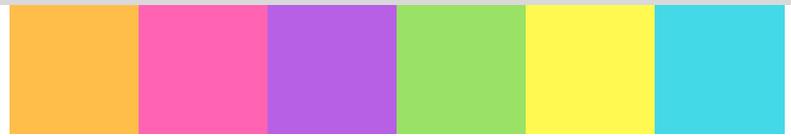
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- Duke of Edinburgh's Award
- Dumfries Ice Bowl Curling Association
- Dumfries & Galloway Arts Festival
- Dumfries & Galloway College
- Dumfries and Galloway Leader
- DG Unlimited (on behalf of its Members from the creative sector)
- Employability and Skills Service
- Event Scotland
- Ice Hockey UK
- International Ice Hockey Federation
- Leisure and Sport
- Let's Get Sporty
- LGBT Youth Scotland
- Life Changes Trust
- NHS Scotland
- Oasis Events Team
- Peter Pan Moat Brae Trust
- Schools for the Future
- Schools Services
- Scottish Youth Parliament
- Skills Development Scotland
- SRUC - Barony Campus
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SCOTLAND'S YEAR OF YOUNG PEOPLE 2018 – DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY PLAN

1. Background

1.1 This report provides details on Scotland's Year of Young People 2018 and the Dumfries and Galloway plan for the year.

1.1.2 As part of the Scottish Government's programme of themed years, 2018 has been identified as the Year of Young People, aiming to inspire Scotland through its young people, celebrating their achievements, valuing their contribution to communities and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

This is an exciting opportunity for the area to co-produce an innovative and dynamic calendar of projects, activities and events to celebrate and showcase young people across our region.

The Year has 6 key themes; Participation, Equality and Discrimination, Education, Health and Wellbeing, Culture & Enterprise and Regeneration.

1.1.3 The Council's Chief Executive has been leading on behalf of the Society of Local Authority Chief Executives (SOLACE) to ensure a coordinated approach to maximising the impact of Scotland's Year of Young People is taken across all of Scotland's 32 Local Authorities.

2 Key Issues

2.1 Strategic Group

To ensure Dumfries and Galloway maximises the opportunities around Scotland's Year of Young People a strategic group has been established and has been meeting since April 2017. This group includes representatives from young people within the Youth Steering Group, all directorates within our Council, NHS, The Crichton Campus Partners and Third Sector organisations. There are over 30 organisations represented in the group. The group is co-chaired by the young person who is the Chair of the Youth Steering Group and the Manager - Young People.

The remit of this group is:

- Provide strategic overview of Year of Young People for Dumfries & Galloway to maximise impact & reduce duplication.
- Lead on all aspects of Year of Young People for Dumfries & Galloway including meeting Scottish Government Requirements.
- Children, Young People & Lifelong Learning is lead directorate for Dumfries and Galloway Council and lead officer for the year is Manager – Young People.

2.2 Involvement of Young People

It is important that young people are at the heart of everything we do for the year and to ensure young people are involved in all decisions and shape the plan for the year we have been using a co-production model throughout the development of our plan. Young people will be continually engaged throughout all aspects of our work in relation to year of young people and this will be overseen by the youth steering group. The group of young people leading the year are from all parts of Dumfries and Galloway and are highly committed to maximising the opportunities from the year. The group meets on a weekly basis to take forward their work.

Young People are involved in the following different ways;

- Youth Steering Group (Celebr18) - This is a group of 16 young people from across Dumfries and Galloway that has representatives from all 4 areas and they provide oversight and direction of our work in relation to the Year of Young People. They lead on projects and activities to create events and opportunities to celebrate young people. The opportunity to be part of the group is open to any young person and the initial group was recruited to from a range of organisations working with young people.
- Engagement Events - A series of engagement events have taken place across the region throughout May and June 2017 to hear directly from young people about what they would like to see included in the year. Over 800 young people were consulted as part of these engagement events.
- National Ambassadors - Ambassadors will ensure that people and organisations in their communities know about what's happening. Together with other Ambassadors they will lead on projects and activities to create events and opportunities to celebrate young people. There will be 200 ambassadors across Scotland, and Dumfries and Galloway has 8 ambassadors who are all part of the youth steering group. The number of places were determined by the number of applications received by each local authority area.
- Communic18 National Group - Communic18, are co-design champions for the whole of the Year of Young People and be involved in making key decisions about the celebratory year. The Communic18 role includes taking part in funding panels, supporting activity in local authority areas, supervising the year's six themes, helping to spread the word about the Year of Young People and how to support it, amongst local communities. Dumfries and Galloway has 1 representative on this group, alongside 31 other local authority representatives. The young person was selected after a rigorous selection process that was conducted by Young Scot, The national youth information charity for Scotland on behalf of The Scottish Government.

2.3 Dumfries and Galloway Plan

The Dumfries and Galloway Plan has been led by the Council, however the Plan is a regional and partnership Plan. Work commenced in January 2017 to develop the Plan and to take it forward.

2.3.1 Young People and partners had the opportunity to put forward their ideas and views on what could be included within the themed year at seminars that were held across the region to allow input into the plan, prior to it being finalised and agreed at the Councils Children, Young People and Lifelong Learning Committee in September 2017. The seminars were facilitated by young people involved in the youth steering group. All feedback was incorporated into the final plan.

2.3.2 The group established an overarching Plan developed on the 6 key themes, as detailed in the Appendix with a lead officer and service identified for each theme.

The Plan has 3 high level strands that were agreed by the strategic group and the youth steering group, as detailed below:

Strand 1	Strand 2	Strand 3
Hosting of National Events For Young People	Local opportunities, experiences & community activities	Participation in national events and programmes for young people in Dumfries & Galloway
Youth Steering Group		

2.3.4 A number of projects and initiatives within the plan are fully funded by the lead organisation as they are existing projects or events that have been included within our plan. However to deliver on other elements of the plan additional funding was required. We secured external funding of £141,000 from LEADER which was match funded from various small funders and policy development funding of £98,000 from the Council which was agreed as part of the 2018/19 budget.

2.3.5 The Dumfries and Galloway Plan was submitted to the Scottish Government and the national partners and the Government have been highlighting our plan to other local authorities as an example of best practice. This was recognised through the national launch taking place in Oasis Youth Centre, Dumfries in November 2017 with the First Minister.

2.4 Signature Events and Monitoring

The plan contains details of the 9 signature events across Dumfries and Galloway in addition to the local and community based events or activities which contribute to at least one Year of Young People theme identified within the plan. It should be noted that the plan will be an evolving document that will continue to be updated throughout 2018 in order that it can be dynamic and responsive to new and emerging plans and activities. An events calendar has also been developed and is included in the appendix. The plan and full details of the opportunities for Year of

Young People are available online at www.yoypdg.co.uk in order that the continual updating can happen.

2.4.1 The Dumfries and Galloway Plan is delivered through various working partnerships, that are well established and involve many agencies and organisations, which provides strong community support and effective delivery mechanisms for its actions. The Plan is led, monitored and reported by Dumfries and Galloway Councils Children, Young People and Lifelong Learning Directorate.

3. Recommendations

The Board is invited to:

- 3.1 note the Dumfries and Galloway Plan for Year of Young People 2018, as detailed in the Appendix of this report;
- 3.2 Note the substantial amount of external funding that has been secured to deliver the plan and the £98,000 that has been allocated as part of Dumfries and Galloway Council Policy Development and
- 3.3 note the good work that the young volunteers that are part of the project team are carrying out across the region

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Appendices

Appendix 1 - Our Dumfries and Galloway Plan, Year of Young People 2018

Item 6**SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE LOCAL PLAN AND FUTURE ARRANGEMENTS**

1. Background

1.1. The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 as amended by the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 requires the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) to ensure there are adequate arrangements in place to carry out duties in each Local Authority area and to prepare a local Fire and Rescue Plan setting out the priorities of the Service in connection with local needs

1.2. The SFRS Local Plan 2014 - 2017 was noted by the Council in June of 2014 and required to be reviewed within its 3 year cycle. This review along with an extensive engagement programme was used to inform the development of the proposed Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017 that went out for public consultation on the 19th of June 2017. It set out the priorities, actions and outcomes for the Dumfries and Galloway Area of the SFRS. The public consultation process concluded on the 26rd of September 2017 including a consolidated response from Full Council.

1.3. Subsequently, on 12 December 2017 the Dumfries & Galloway Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017 was agreed (**Appendix 1**)

1.4. The Plan outlines six priorities:

- Domestic Fire Safety
- Unintentional harm and Injury
- Deliberate Fire Setting
- Non-Domestic Fire Safety
- Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals
- Operational Resilience and Preparedness

2. Key issues

2.1 The significance of partnership working is intrinsic within the Plan, with the sharing of information between agencies and targeting resources at areas of greatest need being the key principles that will contribute to improving the overall safety and wellbeing of communities in Dumfries and Galloway. It clearly identifies that the SFRS does not operate in isolation and that it has a crucial role in helping to deliver the ambitions of the Community Planning Partnership.

2.2 A consultation on the safe and planned future of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service is ongoing to which individual partners may choose to respond. A copy of the consultation document is attached as **Appendix 2** and a short presentation will be made at the meeting

3. Recommendations

The Board is invited to endorse the Local Plan and note the consultation on the future of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Hamish McGhie, Local Senior Officer for Dumfries and Galloway Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

Appendices

1 - Dumfries & Galloway Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2017

2 - A consultation on the safe and planned future of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

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LOCAL FIRE AND RESCUE PLAN FOR DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

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Introduction

Welcome to the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) Local Fire and Rescue Plan for Dumfries and Galloway. This Plan has been developed to support the delivery of agreed local outcomes for Dumfries and Galloway's communities in conjunction with the national priorities contained within the SFRS Strategic Plan 2016 – 2019. With the ambition of working in partnership to improving community safety, enhancing the well-being of those living or resorting to Dumfries and Galloway whilst tackling issues of social inequality, this Plan will set out our priorities in order to support this ambition.

The demands placed upon the SFRS to respond to a wide variety of incidents challenges us to ensure our personnel acquire and maintain a range of skills to enable us to respond to emergencies. Through the identification and the management of risks within the area, we will continue to prepare for these responses. However we recognise on many occasions this demand can be reduced through effective engagement and intervention measures.

We recognise as a public service organisation and as a member of the community planning partnership, the demographics of our society is changing which will challenge us to continually improve on how we deliver our services to our communities. Our plan will therefore seek to focus on those areas of demand to maximise the potential to work in partnership and by using our capacity more effectively and innovatively to ensure we direct our resources to the point of need within our communities to protect those most at risk from harm.

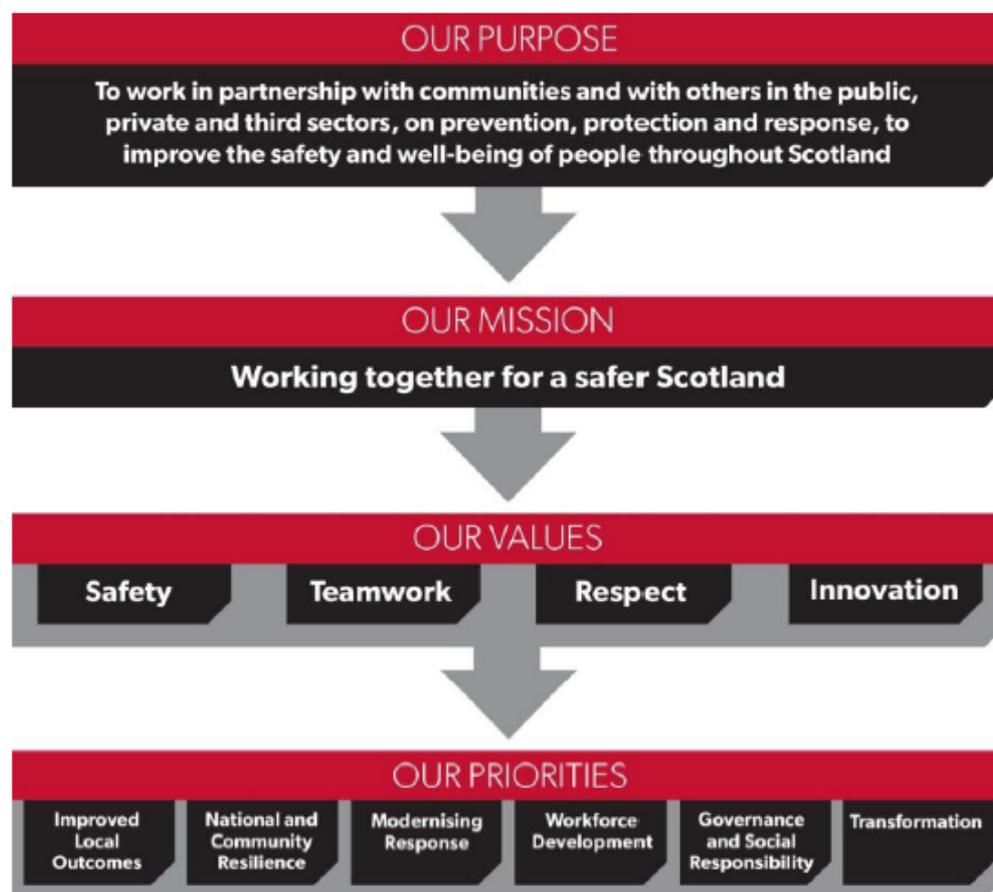
As the SFRS continues to evolve we will seek to play a key part in public service reform and identify new opportunities to broaden our role within society to ensure as a modern Fire and Rescue Service, we continue to protect Dumfries and Galloway's communities. This Local Fire and Rescue Plan in conjunction with the statutory responsibilities placed upon the SFRS will be used as a driver to build upon our existing partnership arrangements in Dumfries and Galloway whilst seeking to foster new relationships to support the Service's mission of "Working Together for a Safer Scotland".

Hamish McGhie
Local Senior Officer

National Context

Scottish Ministers set out the specific expectations for the SFRS in the Fire and Rescue Framework for Scotland 2016. This provides the outline we should follow to ensure our resources and activities are aligned with the Scottish Government's purpose and National outcomes.

Our Strategic Plan 2016 – 19 has been designed to meet these national expectations. Set against a complex and evolving backdrop our Strategic Plan encapsulates our mission, values and strategic priorities.



These have been shaped with due regard to the challenges we face and to what we need to achieve to be a highly effective, sustainable public service. Operating within a climate of significant financial uncertainty and public service reform means we need to transform how we operate. This will particularly include how we prepare for and respond to changing societal needs, the impact of climate change and the thread of terrorism.

Strong leadership, supported by sound governance and management arrangements are at the very core of our foundations. These arrangements will direct and provide assurance that we comply with our statutory responsibilities. In addition, they will provide Local Senior Officers with supporting mechanism to deliver services specifically tailored to local needs.

Local Context

The current population of Dumfries and Galloway, which is approximately 149,500 and constitutes 2.8% of the total number of persons living in Scotland, is predicted to decrease by *2% by the year 2025 (*percentage change from baseline year total for 2014).

However, during this same period the demographical aspect of the area suggests a projected significant increase in elderly residents by 31.6% for persons over the age of 75 whilst the number of people of working age and young persons are projected to fall by 7.5%.



To enable the SFRS to plan and deliver on a proactive and reactive basis, it is important to understand where and how demand for fire and rescue resources may arise in the short, medium and longer term. As a local authority area, Dumfries and Galloway is constituted by 12 multi-member electoral wards covering a range of diverse urban and rural communities over approximately 6,426 square kilometres. Emergency response within the local authority area is provided from 17 locations comprising of one Wholtime station (permanently crewed) and 16 stations which operate on an 'On Call' basis.

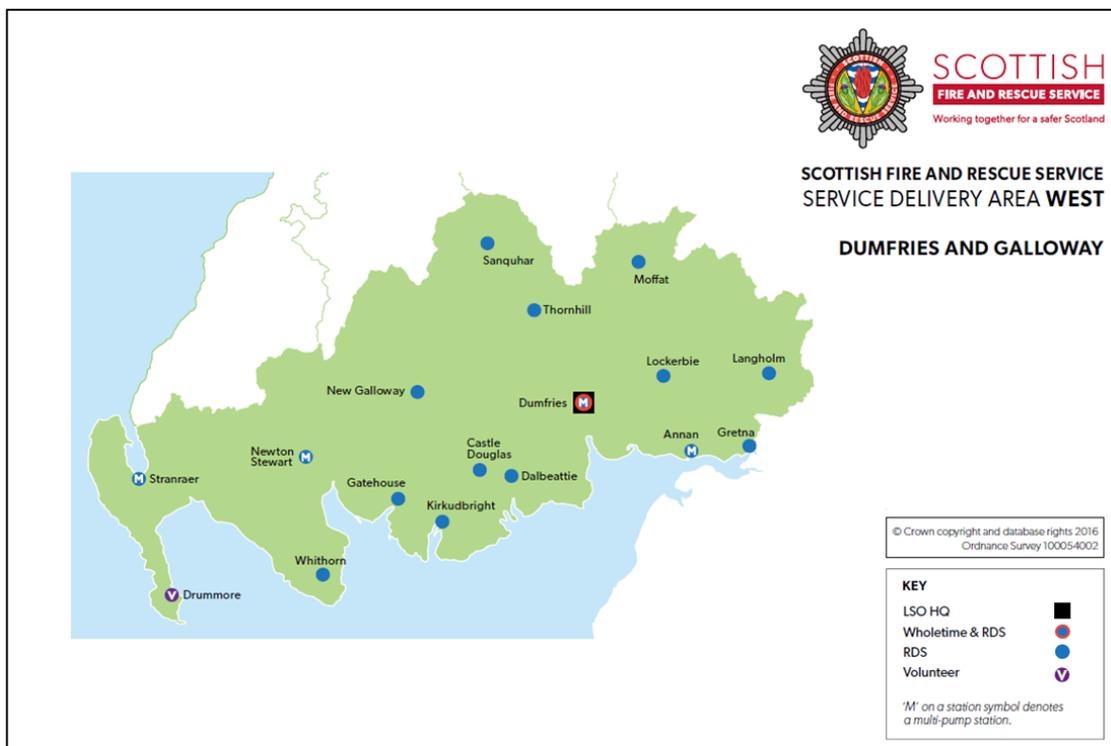
Our continued focus is to attract further career opportunities to Dumfries and Galloway; this would build upon Dumfries as the administrative centre, already sharing accommodation with a number of national functional resources including HR, Finance and Strategic Planning.

A review of operational activity across Dumfries and Galloway indicates an upward trend in overall activity levels over the last four years. In terms of fire related activity, accidental dwelling fires have shown a sharp downward trend with these fires accounting for only one third of the total number of the same fires two years ago. The provision of early warning systems, community engagement and the majority of incidents being dealt with in their initial stages has reduced the severity of fires within the home. The protection of, and engagement with our most vulnerable members has also been key to these reductions.

Fire fatality rates within Dumfries and Galloway are extremely low with slight fluctuations shown each year. The number of slight and serious fire casualties who are required to attend hospital due to their injuries shows a substantial downward trend over the last four years with the majority having been deemed to have sustained only slight injuries.

Deliberate fire setting on average accounts for one in four of all fire related activity within Dumfries and Galloway. Figures indicate that although deliberate fires often fluctuate, these figures remain similar to those from previous years. Analysis identifies deliberate fire setting occurring on an ongoing basis with peaks identified during the spring period and November each year.

Whilst attendances at non-fire related emergencies on average account for around one in every five operational mobilisations and are slightly less than the number of fire related incidents, the number of fatalities and casualties are notably higher than fire related injuries (fatal and non-fatal). Whilst the majority of non-fire emergency casualties (fatal and non-fatal) are as a result of road traffic collisions within Dumfries and Galloway, another emerging trend has been identified in those persons requiring assistance from other organisations. This results in support being requested from the SFRS in the form of forcing entry into premises to render assistance to occupants or the provision of first responder (medical) assistance.



Whilst many incidents within Dumfries and Galloway are as a result of a confirmed genuine emergency, on average more than half of emergency responses made by the SFRS turn out to be false alarms. The growth in response to false alarms over the last two years can be attributed to the change in procedures following the merger of operational fire controls. These alarms may be as a result of a genuine belief that a fire is occurring which subsequently is confirmed not to be the case or through malicious activity resulting in a report of fire being made knowing this report is false in its nature.

There are also a number of warnings of fire generated by the fire alarm systems which, following an attendance and investigation, turn out to be false in their origin. Currently attendances to premises which generate these false signals account on average for a quarter of all emergency responses within Dumfries and Galloway resulting in disruption to those within the premises in

which the alarm activates and also to the SFRS who, on many occasions, are diverted from other activities to attend these incidents.

Reducing service demand, whilst developing the role of the SFRS as part of the ongoing process of public service reform, presents both challenges and opportunities for us to become more integrated in the community planning partnership environment. The recent introduction of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 has now placed a statutory duty upon the SFRS to take on an enhanced leadership role in community planning and will do so through its active participation within the Dumfries & Galloway Strategic Partnership and Community Planning Executive Group.

Through these forums the Service has participated in the development of Dumfries and Galloway's Local Outcome Improvement Plan and its eight outcomes:

Outcome 1: Everyone who needs help to work receives the right support.

Outcome 2: Learning opportunities are available to those who need them most

Outcome 3: Health and wellbeing inequalities are reduced

Outcome 4: There is affordable and warm housing for all

Outcome 5: The money available to people on benefits and low wages is maximised

Outcome 6: People are safe and feel safe

Outcome 7: People are well connected

Outcome 8: Individuals and communities are empowered.

The SFRS are committed, in partnership, to addressing these key issues and the delivery of local outcomes that make a positive contribution across Dumfries and Galloway's communities. In developing this Local Fire and Rescue Plan, the SFRS will seek to ensure its activities compliment and support the locality planning process. Operationally, working closely with the 12 Ward Officers and D&G Community Safety Team, the Service will be better able to undertake an assessment of community risk, identify and responding to their needs at a local level. Assurance that all of this is being managed effectively will be achieved through engaging closely within the D&G Area committee structure.

With the development of the Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan (CJOIP) within Dumfries and Galloway following the introduction of the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016, the SFRS will ensure, as a statutory partner within the Dumfries and Galloway Community Justice Partnership, its resources contribute to support the delivery of the CJOIP.

The delivery of shared outcomes is embedded within Dumfries and Galloway through its range of community planning approaches. Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning Partnership is committed to the delivery of its vision of "*working together to create an ambitious, prosperous and confident Dumfries and Galloway where people achieve their potential*".

The SFRS takes an active role in the delivery of these priorities and their intended outcomes through participation and engagement across the partnership arena. Supporting the delivery of Anti-Social Behaviour, Adult and Child Protection, Health and Social Care including Alcohol and Drug strategies are examples of where the SFRS can collaborate in the delivery of these priorities at a local level whilst pursuing the key priorities of this Local Fire and Rescue Plan.

Local Priorities

1. Domestic Fire Safety

Fire safety within the home is a key prevention strategy for the SFRS as the consequence of fires within the home can result in a range of impacts on individuals, families, social landlords and communities. For organisations, the requirement to respond, intervene and deal with the aftermath of domestic fires places demand on its resources. To reduce this demand, it is essential approaches to prevention are evidence based in order to maximise and focus resources to make the biggest impact to safeguard those most at risk of fire.

Analysis of accidental dwelling fire data identifies cooking as the most common cause of fires within the home in Dumfries and Galloway and also the most prevalent cause where fire related injuries are sustained by occupants. Distraction has been identified as the main contributory factor where accidental dwelling fires and/or injuries occur. Those who are deemed at risk from fire may also have other vulnerabilities and impairments due to age, health, mobility or socio economic reasons and they may also be receiving support from other partners.

The scope therefore exists to work more closely together to protect those most vulnerable from fire through effective information sharing. Such partner agencies include the D&G Multi Agency Support Hub (MASH), Alcohol and Drug Awareness team (ADAT), Dumfries & Galloway Housing Partnership (DGHP), Registered Social Landlords (RSL's) and Health and Social Care Partnership.

In order to reduce the potential for fires from occurring, influencing positive change in occupant behaviours through raising fire safety awareness will be at the forefront of our preventative activities. By increasing the ownership of working smoke detection, the means of giving early warning of fire will also contribute to mitigating the severity of fires and fire related injuries within the home. By using assistive technology such as 'Telecare', the opportunity exists to further enhance the safety of those who are at risk from fire.

We will seek to reduce accidental dwelling fires and fire related injuries within the home by:

- *Promoting and undertaking Home Fire Safety Visits to those deemed most vulnerable from fire.*
- *Working with our partners in Dumfries and Galloway to share information where fire risks within the home have been identified and to provide solutions to protect those who are at risk.*
- *Focusing engagement activities in those areas where service demand has been identified.*
- *Supporting the provision of assistive technology within the home to increase occupant safety.*
- *Improving awareness of our young people on personal safety and responsible citizenship through the delivery of educational programmes such as Operation Safety.*

We will monitor our progress in promoting our domestic safety strategy by:

- *Reducing the number of accidental dwelling fires and their severity.*
- *Reducing the number and the severity of fatal and non-fatal fire related injuries.*
- *Increasing the presence of working smoke/heat detection within homes affected by fire.*

By achieving a reduction in the frequency and severity of accidental dwelling fires and fire related injuries we will:

- *Support the safety and wellbeing of Dumfries and Galloway residents.*
- *Support the independent living of vulnerable members within our communities.*
- *Reduce the social and economic cost of fires and fire related injuries.*
- *Reduce demand on the SFRS and its partners.*

2. Unintentional Harm and Injury

It is not uncommon for those at risk from fire to also be at risk from other injuries within the home, in particular from injuries arising from slips, trips and falls. Requests to the SFRS to provide assistance directly through a first responder role or to provide support to other agencies are increasing. Analysis of data indicates falls are a common cause of accidental deaths and injuries and account for a significant proportion of admissions to hospital. Those persons injured through falls may often be affected by other medical conditions such as dementia.

The SFRS has a role to play in contributing to the protection of those at risk from injury and harm within the home. Through operational attendances and delivery of home (fire) safety visits, we have the opportunity to identify those at risk and through an assessment of such risk, refer individuals to partner organisations for additional support such as Social Services. Close working with the MASH and Health & Social Care Partnership will further assist in developing this area.

Out of the domestic environment, the SFRS respond to a range of non-fire related emergencies. The most common incident of this type within Dumfries and Galloway is attendances at Road Traffic Collisions (RTCs) which results in the majority of non-fire related injuries. Responding to RTCs is a statutory duty for the SFRS, however a collective approach is required amongst community planning partners to support risk reduction measures. As a partner, the SFRS will support the education of young drivers who are considered to be an 'at risk' group and support other initiatives intended to reduce the instances and impact of RTCs within Dumfries and Galloway.

We will seek to reduce the impact of unintentional injury and harm by:

- *Utilising our Home Fire Safety Visit programme to assess for non-fire related risk and refer those deemed at risk from injury and harm to partners to provide additional support.*
- *Provision of awareness training for fire and rescue service personnel to assist them in the identification of those factors that increase the risk of unintentional injury or harm.*
- *Working in partnership to deliver targeted road safety programmes to young drivers.*
- *Focusing resources where demand has been identified and deliver key safety messages.*

We will monitor the effectiveness of our intervention strategies by:

- *Reviewing the number of requests for assistance from other agencies and for the provision of medical and first responder support.*
- *Reviewing the number of attendees at RTCs and the frequency and severity of injuries arising from RTCs.*
- *Reviewing and identifying trends in the number of other non-fire related emergencies and the frequency and severity of injuries arising from these incidents.*

By achieving a reduction in the frequency and severity of unintentional harm and injuries we will:

- *Reduce the social and economic cost of unintentional harm and injury.*
- *Support vulnerable members within our communities to live independently within their communities.*
- *Ensure the safety and wellbeing of those living, working and visiting Dumfries and Galloway*

3. Deliberate Fire Setting

Deliberate fire setting accounts for a significant number of operational incidents with Dumfries and Galloway and takes various forms. Whilst a small proportion involves occupied buildings, vehicles and outdoor structures (primary fires), the majority of deliberate fires are classed as secondary in nature and on most occasions occur in derelict properties and outdoor locations.

Analysis of incident data identifies deliberate secondary fires occurring throughout the year, however peak activity is noted in the spring time, during the bonfire season and when prolonged periods of dry weather arise. Deliberate fire setting is regarded as anti-social behaviour and is also criminal in nature. These acts can lead to serious consequences such as personal injury, damage to property and the environment. Dealing with instances of deliberate fire setting also diverts fire and rescue resources from other meaningful activities.

Working with our partners, we will seek to combine our information to identify those parts of our communities that are being affected by anti-social behaviour in order to reduce such instances whilst tackling the underlying causes of such behaviour. On some occasions the SFRS will work with Police Scotland to investigate deliberate fire setting to determine the cause and if possible those responsible for such acts. Diversionary and engagement activity is regarded as an important approach in tackling anti-social behaviour and will continue to be part of our approach to raise awareness of the impact of this unwanted activity particularly during school holidays.

We will seek to reduce the instances of fire related anti-social behaviour by:

- *Identifying those parts of Dumfries and Galloway's communities affected by deliberate fire setting to share this information with our partners.*
- *Utilising our Young Firefighters, Fire Reach, Firesetters and school's education programmes to raise awareness of the impact of fire related anti-social behaviour.*
- *Working with partners to develop joint strategies to reduce the risk posed by deliberate fire setting and to mitigate its impacts.*

We will monitor the effectiveness of reducing fire related anti-social behaviour by:

- *Reducing the number and type of deliberate fire setting incidents within Dumfries and Galloway.*
- *Evaluating the effectiveness of our youth engagement programmes.*

By achieving a reduction in fire related anti-social behaviour we will:

- *Enable the SFRS to divert its resources towards other community based activities.*
- *Protect the natural and built environment.*
- *Support the promotion of active and responsible citizenship across Dumfries and Galloway's communities.*
- *Support our communities in feeling safe from crime, disorder and danger.*

4. Non-Domestic Fire Safety

In general, all workplaces and businesses are classed as non-domestic premises and as such come within the scope of Part 3 of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 (the Act) which places duties on persons responsible for these premises to comply with the Act and its associated regulations. The SFRS has a statutory duty to promote fire safety and where required enforce compliance with fire safety legislation. To discharge this duty and to secure compliance, the SFRS has adopted an approach utilising advice, education and where required formal enforcement powers.

Given the variety of premises which come within the scope of the Act, the SFRS has developed a fire safety enforcement framework which is based on the principal of risk combined with historical fire data across occupancy groups to create the fire safety audit programme. Those premises which present a higher degree of risk from fire are subject to regular fire safety audits to verify compliance.

The impact of fire can have a devastating impact on business, employment, the provision of critical services and also our heritage. Evidence suggests that premises affected by a serious fire experience a high failure rate. The SFRS will undertake its audit programme to support Dumfries and Galloway's ambition to grow its economy during this challenging period of economic recovery and seek to safeguard its culture, heritage and continuation of employment opportunities.

We will seek to reduce the instances of fires within non-domestic property by:

- *Undertaking our fire safety audit programme in accordance with the SFRS Enforcement Framework.*
- *Engaging with duty holders to promote responsible fire safety management of premises that come under the auspices of Part 3 of the Fire (Scotland) Act 2005.*
- *Working in partnership to ensure the appropriate provision of fire safety standards are incorporated in new premises under construction or premises undergoing material changes.*
- *Where necessary ensure legislative compliance through enforcement powers and working in partnership with other enforcement agencies and organisations.*

We will monitor the effectiveness of reducing fires in non-domestic premises by:

- *Reviewing the number of fires in non-domestic premises and the type of premises involved in fire.*
- *Reviewing the number and types of fire safety audits carried out across Dumfries and Galloway.*
- *Reviewing the outcome of fire safety audits carried out in non-domestic premises.*
- *Reviewing the number of enforcement notices issued.*

By achieving a reduction in fires within non-domestic premises we will:

- *Enable the industrial, commercial and service sector to maintain business continuity and employment across Dumfries and Galloway.*
- *Reduce the potential for loss of life and injury.*
- *Protect Dumfries and Galloway's culture and heritage.*
- *Protect the natural and built environment and reduce the impact of fire on our communities.*

5. Unwanted Fire Alarms

Fire protection within premises can be viewed as a holistic approach for the purposes of safeguarding life and/or property by inhibiting, growth and spread of fire. The design and use of premises will influence the extent of the fire protection required to be incorporated within it. In developing a fire protection strategy for the various premises types and for that strategy to be successful, a key component is the provision of early warning of fire. The provision of early warning enables those within premises sufficient time for them to exit the building to a place of safety in the event of fire.

Whilst a small number of fire alarm signals generated are due to confirmed fire conditions being present, there are an even greater number of signals generated, which when investigated, have occurred when no fire conditions have been present. On such occasions these are known as 'Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals' (UFAS) and is defined as 'an event which has required an operational attendance by the fire and rescue service due to the unwanted actuation of a fire alarm system'. On these instances the signal may originate from a monitoring/call centre as a result of an automatic activation of the fire alarm system or a person activating the fire alarm system either maliciously or with good intentions believing a fire was occurring within a non-domestic premises.

The impact of responding to UFAS incidents causes disruption to the premises working environment and to the range of activities the SFRS undertake. Unnecessary blue light journeys also create additional risks and hazards to firefighters and to the public whilst responding to UFAS incidents and also have a detrimental impact on the environment through additional carbon emissions. Active and positive engagement with occupiers to take responsibility in limiting the number of UFAS incidents within their premises is integral to reducing these impacts.

We will seek to reduce the instances of Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals by:

- *Investigating every cause of alarm and engaging with those responsible for fire warning systems following an operational attendance at a UFAS incident.*
- *Analysing our UFAS attendances at those premises that give cause to frequent generation of false alarms to identify trends and support occupiers to develop demand reduction plans.*
- *Instigating where required, formal fire safety enforcement measures to ensure appropriate demand reduction action is taken by those responsible for premises generating unacceptable levels of false alarms.*

We will monitor the effectiveness of mobilising to Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals by:

- *Reviewing the number of attendances at non-domestic premises and the type of premises generating unwanted false alarm signals across Dumfries and Galloway.*
- *Evaluating the outcomes of occupier's demand reduction plans to review progress and identify and share good practice.*
- *Reviewing our attendances at UFAS incidents to ensure our attendances are based on an assessment of risk and demand.*

By achieving a reduction in Unwanted Fire Alarm Signals we will:

- *Minimise the disruption to business and service continuity across Dumfries and Galloway.*
- *Increase the capacity of the fire and rescue service to carry out other activities.*
- *Reduce the risk to firefighters and public whilst responding to UFAS incidents.*

6. Operational Resilience and Preparedness

The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 and the Fire (Additional Function) (Scotland) Order 2005 defines the duties and responsibilities for the SFRS in relation to responding to emergencies. It is essential our firefighters possess the skills, knowledge and expertise to respond to incidents which, by their nature, can be varied in both their type and complexity. It is important our firefighters understand the risks across their communities to ensure the level of risk is matched by an appropriate level of operational response. In gathering this knowledge, appropriate training can be carried out to safeguard firefighter safety and to ensure any such response results in an effective and efficient deployment of our resources.

Emergency responses across Dumfries and Galloway includes firefighters operating within the Retained Duty System (RDS). Working within this duty system our RDS firefighters respond from home and/or primary work locations and is based on an 'On-Call' provision. Given the dynamic nature of this duty system and to support a balance between primary, personal and firefighting commitments, each RDS Station requires a sufficient number of RDS firefighters to ensure this vital resource is available when required.

There will also be occasions whereby the nature of an emergency will require a combined response by emergency services and other organisations to deal with such a major event. To ensure a co-ordinated response occurs, additional duties are placed upon the SFRS under the Civil Contingencies Act 2004 to prepare and be able to respond to deal with major emergencies. The scope of such preparations will include responding to adverse weather events including flooding, natural disasters, pandemics, chemical incidents or major transport incidents. The threat of terrorism also compels the SFRS to ensure it can also respond alongside other partner agencies should such an event occur.

As an emergency responder, the SFRS needs to ensure it has the capability and the capacity to plan, prepare and respond to major emergencies. Working in partnership at a local and national level, the multi-agency approach requires a joint approach to assess these risks in order to develop appropriate integrated response plans. Following their development, these plans require to be tested to support a return to normality when a significant event and subsequent disruption arises.

We recognise the potential for the role of the SFRS to evolve which provides scope to further protect those members of our communities from harm in the event of an emergency. Assisting other agencies in emergency situations, such as responding to 'Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrests' is one example where resources can be combined to maximise the potential for positive outcomes for those requiring assistance. Out with emergency responses the opportunity also exists to promote and support community resilience in dealing with adverse weather events and to improve the survivability rates from cardiac arrests through active engagement and education across Dumfries and Galloway communities.

We will seek to ensure operational response and preparedness within Dumfries and Galloway is maintained by:

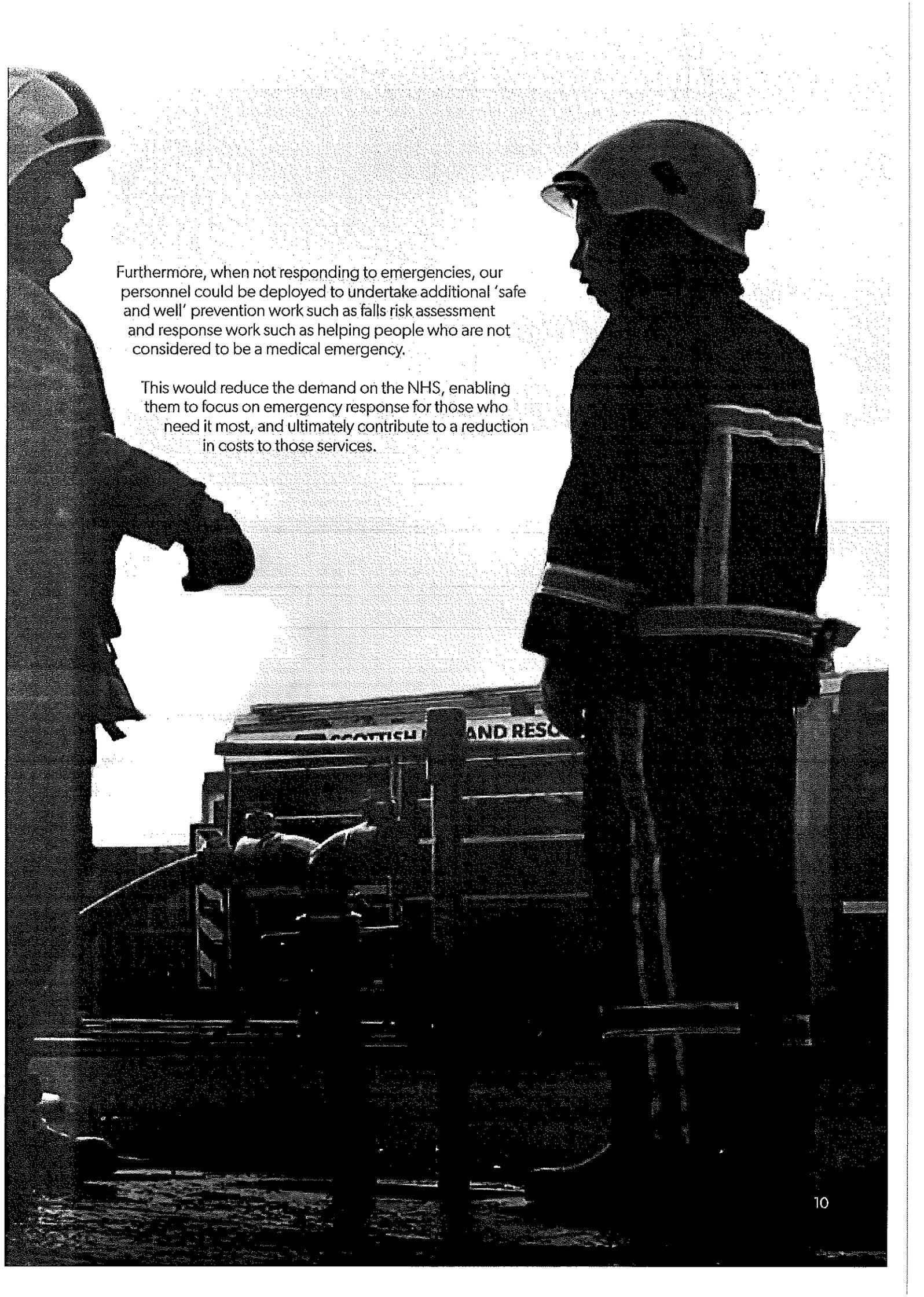
- *Identifying and assessing the risk to our communities through Operational Intelligence gathering.*
- *Undertaking planned training events to support the acquisition and maintenance of skills to provide the capability to respond to emergency incidents.*
- *Continuing with RDS firefighter recruitment campaigns to support operational responses across Dumfries and Galloway.*
- *Reviewing our operational responses to incidents to ensure ongoing firefighter safety and to ensure the ongoing protection our communities from harm.*
- *Working together in partnership to plan, prepare and test our responses to major emergencies including flooding and terrorism.*
- *Supporting and promoting the reduction of harm from 'Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrests.'*



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Furthermore, when not responding to emergencies, our personnel could be deployed to undertake additional 'safe and well' prevention work such as falls risk assessment and response work such as helping people who are not considered to be a medical emergency.

This would reduce the demand on the NHS, enabling them to focus on emergency response for those who need it most, and ultimately contribute to a reduction in costs to those services.

We can operate more efficiently

Aligning resource to need

The fire and rescue service, as we know it, was established via the Fire Services Act 1947. And, although the legislation governing the SFRS has been modernised the operating model established 70 years ago has remained fundamentally unchanged.

The current operating model means that the Service has the same number of firefighters and fire appliances irrespective of the time of day. However, long term incident statistics show that more incidents occur during daytime hours than late at night or the early hours.

In addition, fire engines can cover ground much more quickly at night when traffic is lighter - yet our model does not reflect this.

Our resources are simply not being used as efficiently and effectively as they could be. By rebalancing our people against today's risks and demands, they can deliver even more for Scotland.

This would be achieved through greater flexibility in crewing models, a more effective allocation of fire appliances and a wider firefighter role - all of which are explored in more detail below.

A more effective crewing model

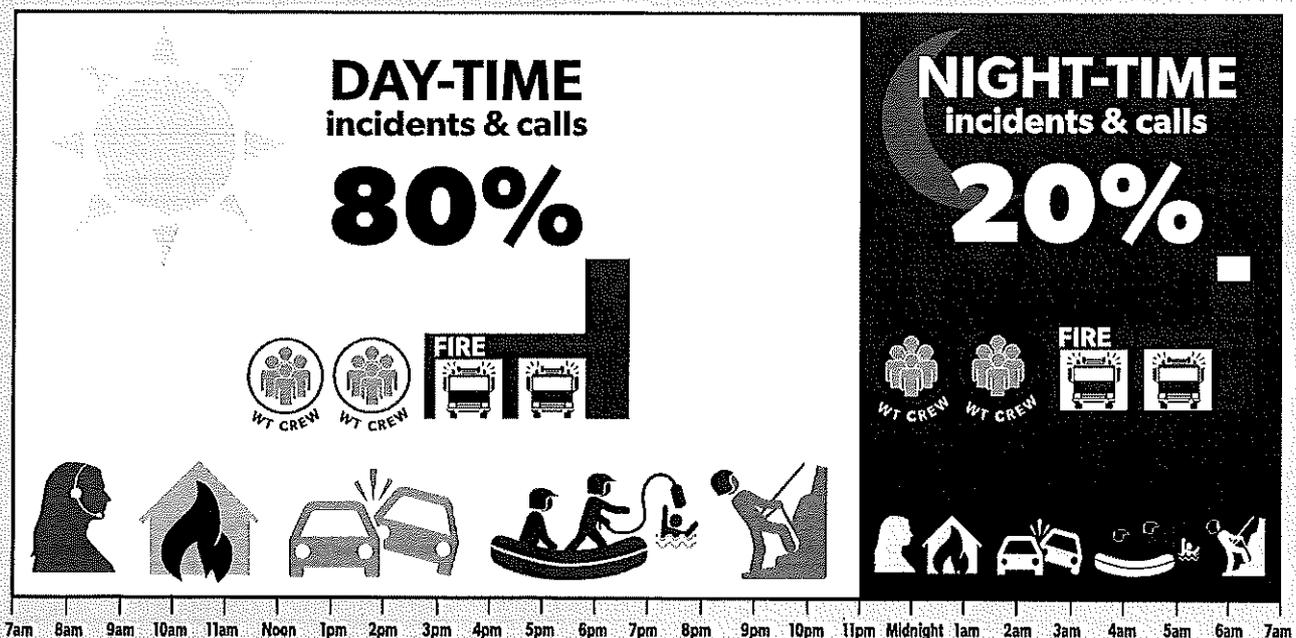
SFRS is the only fire and rescue service in mainland Britain to deploy designated 'first' appliances with a minimum crew of five, and the designated 'second' appliance a minimum crew of four (5+4). All 51 fire and rescue services in England and Wales¹ safely operate with a 4+4 crewing system, or a variation utilising the same number of firefighters.

There is, therefore, significant scope for SFRS to move to a safe yet more efficient model, allowing us to release more of our people to undertake work where there is now new risk and demand. In addition, this will free up resource to reward firefighters for taking on a new role.

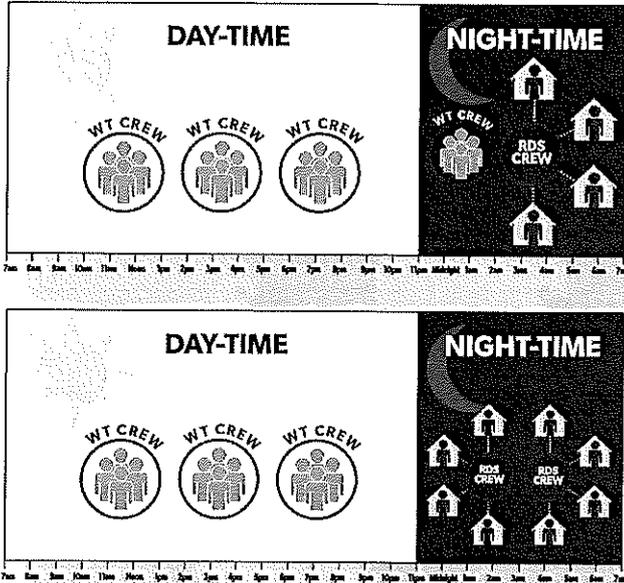
We also believe there could be a more flexible solution for night-time crewing which would safely meet the demand between the hours of 11pm and 7am. Our current system of employing the same number of wholetime firefighters day and night leads to a situation where a significant number are on duty during times of low activity.

These night-time duty patterns also limit the opportunity for firefighters to be deployed to carry out vital preventative work or to engage with partner organisations.

Day-time and night-time demand is not equal but the number of firefighters on duty is always the same



Future crewing models?



Reviewing our national footprint

One of the strengths of the fire and rescue service has been its unique station footprint, but if the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service were to plan that footprint today, it would do some things differently - again to better meet the needs of a modern Scotland.

Put simply, our stations and the resources within them were designed for another era. Many were built around industries that no longer exist, housing that has changed and moved, and are also based on older firefighting techniques. Indeed, some stations in our biggest cities were located to respond to wartime attacks.

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service is much more than a collection of fire stations, but simply closing a station to save money is not in our plans.

We recognise fire stations are focal points within their local communities. It is, however, right for us to give consideration to our combined station footprint and ask if the location, and the number of people and fire appliances within our stations are right for the service they now need to deliver. By looking at activity levels, instances of false alarms and the concentration of stations in given areas, we can determine if a more effective approach can be achieved.

This could see us consider building new stations, disposing of others, re-shaping resource and combining local capabilities, including sharing facilities with our police and ambulance partners.

We will look at this in the context of a national service, which allows us to deploy resources from right across the country into communities with the greatest need.

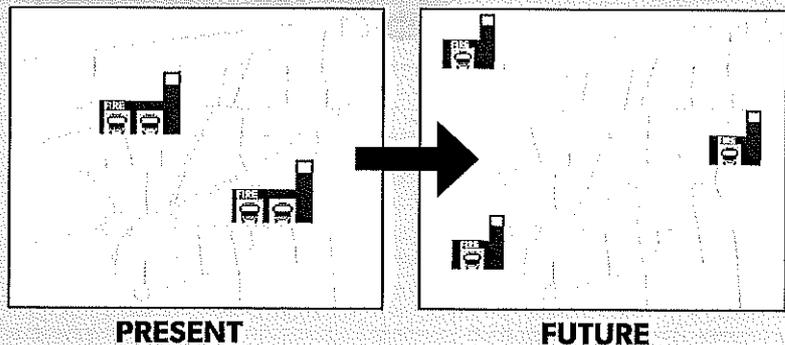
Options to better align resource to need?

Whilst the SFRS will always have the right resources in the right place at the right time, we believe we can safely alter the nature of our response to match modern demand and risk.

Bringing together all elements of a more effective and efficient delivery model will allow the Service to deliver improved outcomes with a slightly smaller number of firefighters. This planned rebalancing of the workforce would be delivered through the retirements that are anticipated over the next four years. There would be **no** compulsory redundancies, and we would continue to recruit both wholetime and retained firefighters.

¹Source: <http://www.cfoa.org.uk/12072>

Options to look at new approach to our national footprint?





**We are looking
at proven
technology
currently used
worldwide**

The need to adopt the latest technology

Advances are being made in firefighting technology around the world, which are proven to increase the safety of firefighters and ultimately improve public safety. Adopting the latest technology to our 'toolkit' will allow us to affect the same results but do so more efficiently.

One example is the Ultra High Pressure Lance (UHPL) system. This enables firefighters to initially tackle fires in enclosed spaces from outside the building. In addition to minimising the need for firefighters to enter the building at the height of a fire, the system reduces the fire and temperature faster than traditional methods.

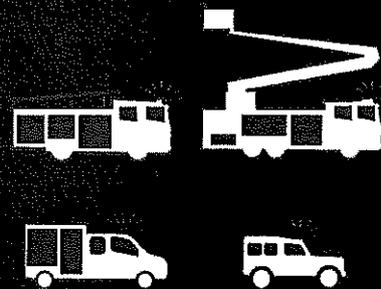
This technology will be particularly useful in the first few minutes of any fire, and will be particularly effective at helping us deliver greater capability in our most rural communities.

We also believe we need to consider the combination of emergency response vehicles we have in our fleet. Again, we need to look at broadening our toolkit to deploy the right vehicle to the right incident. We must ask ourselves if it is right to deploy a full-size appliance to a small secondary fire, automated fire alarm or to conduct prevention and protection work.

In addition, when firefighters take on a broader role, a faster mid-size vehicle could be more appropriate to deliver the emergency response required. We are not proposing direct replacement of all traditional appliances but a more effective range of vehicle types.

Mid-size vehicles are already being used by fire and rescue services the world over, from New York to Tokyo and we believe this more flexible option is something Scotland must also now consider.

A more effective COMBINATION of emergency vehicles



We need to take positive steps to improve availability of RDS appliances

Strengthening our service

Some 240 of the fire stations that serve Scotland are Retained Duty System (RDS). Our RDS crew members - on call firefighters in our more rural communities - are highly trained and committed, but the delivery model they are asked to work to is no longer robust.

Recruitment and availability of RDS crew is a global issue, but for Scotland this means that on any given day up to 100 RDS fire appliances can be unavailable during daytime hours in the communities they serve - largely because we cannot secure the traditional crew of four.

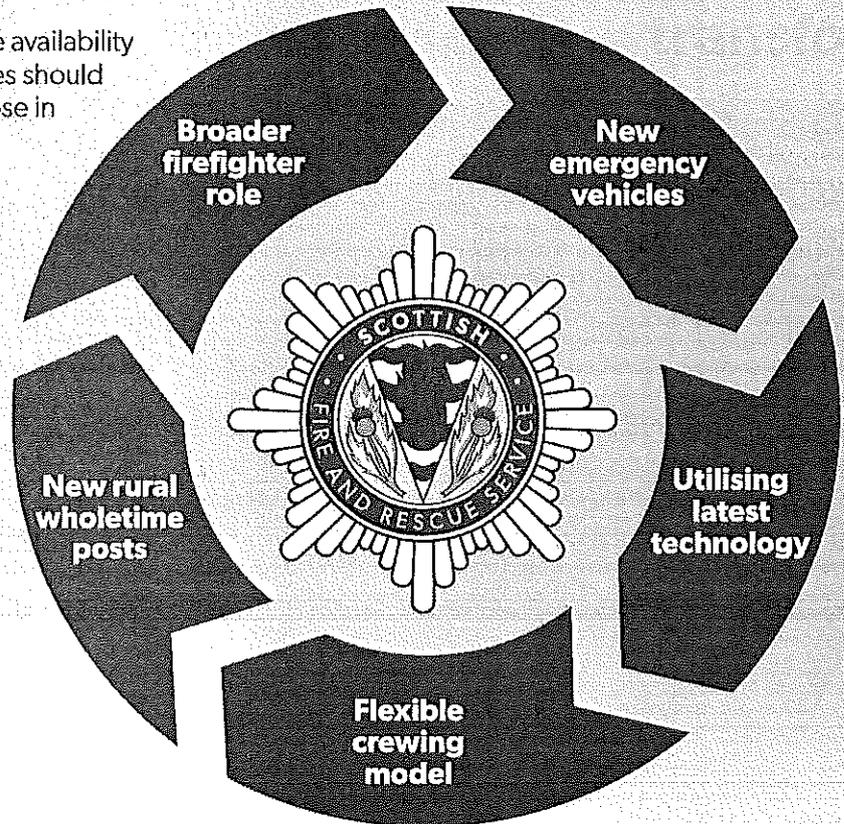


Access to rural communities

We need to take positive steps to improve availability of RDS appliances as our rural communities should expect the same level of protection as those in urban areas.

We want to introduce an integrated programme to strengthen our RDS and improve this availability. This will include the introduction of the latest firefighting technology and vehicles allowing more flexible yet safe, mobilising protocols.

We will also look to introduce new wholetime rural manager positions in key locations across Scotland. These high value and skilled roles will support the delivery of local training, undertake preventative work and increase the availability of appliances during daytime.



**We are proposing
a four-year
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firefighter's role.**



The future firefighter

At the very heart of the SFRS transformation vision, is the future firefighter. Undertaking a new and significantly wider role, they will be trained, equipped and rewarded for meeting new and emerging risks.

We are proposing a four-year programme that will transform both the Service and the firefighter's role.

In recognition of that new role we are proposing an enhanced recognition package. In return, we are asking firefighters to commit to a solution unique to Scotland.

Furthermore, by combining the more efficient operating model, latest technology and increased flexibility outlined throughout this consultation, means we can deliver improved outcomes with a slightly smaller frontline workforce.

A more diverse firefighter role map

- Emergency medical response
- Multi-agency response (terrorism)
- Responding to environmental events
- Wider youth and social prevention work
- Inspection and enforcement responsibilities

- New fully-harmonised Terms and Conditions – all firefighters treated equally across Scotland
- More flexible working arrangements and mobility
- Revisions to crewing models and mobilising arrangements
- The use of new operational techniques, tactics and technologies

The SFRS Strategy for safe and planned transformation

In summary, we believe safe and planned transformation will see a more effective and efficient SFRS delivering more for Scotland.

We will achieve this by:



Responding to this consultation

Your name: Your email:

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Do you agree with the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service overall vision for transformation? Yes No

Please say in the box below what you think the main benefits for Scotland will be:

Please provide your response to the following statements by ticking the relevant box:

Statement	Agree	Disagree	No opinion
I trust the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service to change its operating model – including station footprint - in ways that are safe for Scotland	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Firefighters should be trained and equipped to meet the new and emerging risks Scotland faces	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Firefighters should be rewarded for taking on an expanded role, and in accordance with the risks they take	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Latest technology should be used where possible to improve firefighter and public safety	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Firefighters could be trained to take on roles that would reduce the burden on other public services	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
A more flexible approach to crewing during the late evening and early morning hours would allow firefighters to do more during the day when demand is higher	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Please say why you agreed or disagreed, in the box below:

What single thing is most important to you about the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service?

Do you think there is anything the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service should NOT do as part of transformation?

Please give a reason for your answer in the box below.

Do you have any final comment to make on the transformation of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service?

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the safe and planned
future of the
Scottish Fire and
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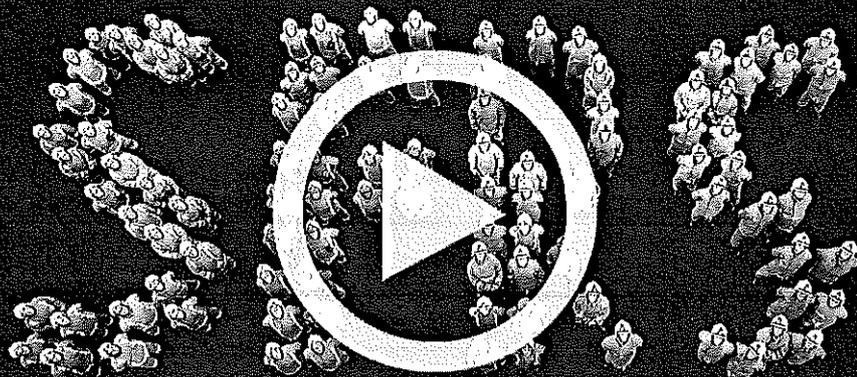
The creation of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) in 2013 has been good for Scotland.

The Service has continued to improve the safety and wellbeing of communities while benefiting from the operational and financial efficiencies of bringing eight brigades together as one.

SFRS has proven that it is capable of delivering major reform. It has laid the foundations for future transformation, and it has continued to ensure the safety and wellbeing of the communities it serves.

But, SFRS needs to continue to transform.

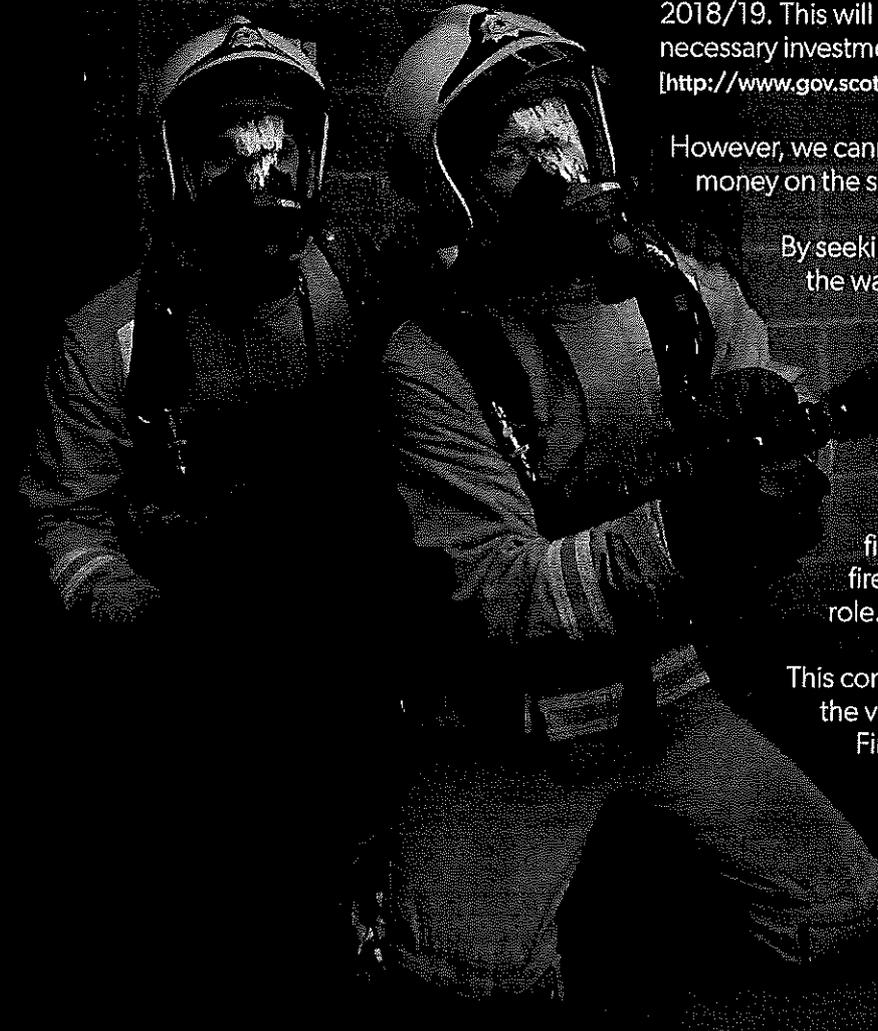
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Tell us your views and ideas on the future of *your* Service

The current SFRS operating model has served Scotland well but was designed to meet the risks of the 1940s - during this time we have seen a significant decrease in fires, but these are being replaced by new and emerging risks. As a result, we are neither as efficient nor flexible as we could be, limiting our ability to meet the needs of a modern Scotland.

Investing in safe and planned transformation will allow the Service to better meet these risks and do so much more to keep people safe and well. It will ensure our people, stations and fire appliances are aligned to greatest need; will introduce latest technology and techniques; and give firefighters the training and equipment to take on an even wider emergency response and prevention role.

The Scottish Government demonstrated its belief in SFRS and the vision for transformation by increasing the spending capacity of SFRS by £15.5m for 2018/19. This will enable the Service to make the necessary investment to turn this vision into reality. [<http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2017/12/8959/11>]

However, we cannot continue to simply spend more money on the same services.

By seeking to transform, SFRS is leading the way in Scotland's public sector. Operating more effectively and efficiently will deliver so much more for the public who fund the Service through their taxes. It will improve their safety, but also enhance the safety of our valued firefighters, and better reward those firefighters for undertaking a wider role.

This consultation document sets out the vision, explains why the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service needs to transform and demonstrates how that transformation could be achieved.

Your voice - why are we consulting?

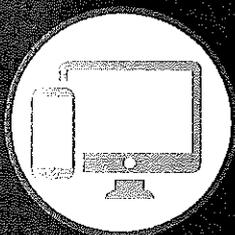
We want you to be part of our decision-making process by giving you the opportunity to tell us your views and ideas on the future of *your* Service. This consultation details issues and proposals under consideration and asks you questions about these and the resulting improvements in outcomes. After the consultation is closed we will publish responses where we have been given permission to do so. Consent to publish is assumed unless you have told us otherwise in your response.

Full details on how to respond are set out at the end. This consultation is now open and will close after a full 90 days on 14 May 2018.

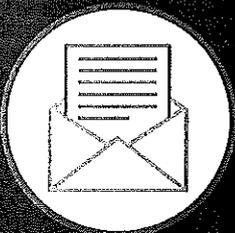
We really do want to hear what you have to say, so please use this opportunity to engage with us and have your voice heard.

We have created a number of ways for you to engage in the consultation, so you can choose the option that best suits you.

How to engage



Complete the consultation online at
www.firescotland.gov.uk/transformation/public-consultation



Print and post your response to:

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Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
Management Suite
Headquarters
Westburn Drive
Cambuslang G72 7NA

If you have any issue accessing our consultation or printing the response form please email:
YourServiceYourVoice@firescotland.gov.uk

You can save and return to your response at any time while the consultation is open. But please ensure that your response is submitted before the consultation closes on 14 May 2018.

You will automatically be emailed a copy of your response after you submit it. If you choose this method you will be directed to complete the Respondent Information Form.

The Respondent Information Form lets us know how you wish your response to be handled, and in particular whether you are happy for your response to be made public.

What safe and planned transformation can deliver for Scotland

Transformation will be comprehensively planned to ensure it is safe for firefighters and the people they serve.

By transforming, we will be able to give firefighters a wider emergency response role, supported by all necessary training and equipment, which will enable them to save more lives and prevent further harm in some of the most challenging circumstances. But, by far, the biggest impact we can have on safety and wellbeing is by preventing emergencies from occurring in the first place.

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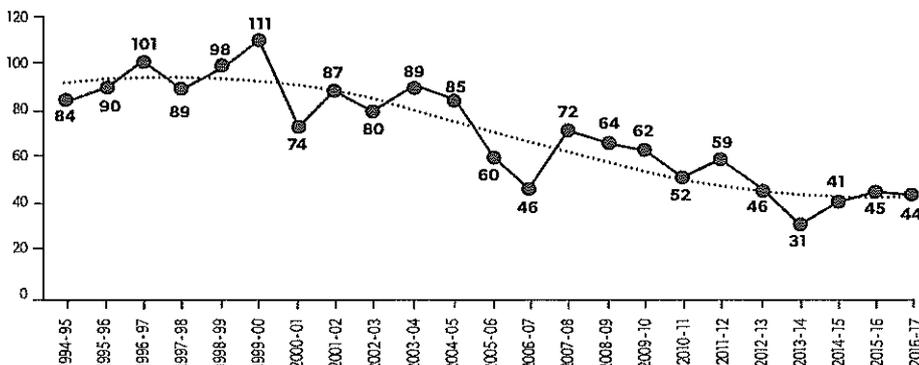
By extending a firefighter’s prevention role, we can increase the impact of their work beyond our success in significantly reducing fires and fire deaths. This would not only improve community safety and wellbeing but would reduce the demand for - and therefore the cost of - other public services.

We want all communities in Scotland to benefit from the specialist firefighter skills and fire and rescue technology that a single national service can offer. As part of that we want to strengthen the service we provide in our rural communities by looking at more effective ways to balance our resources between urban and rural settings.

SFRS will never lose sight of its core emergency response role, but transformation will also allow us to introduce a more effective operating model, combined with latest technology to not only further enhance community and firefighter safety, but deliver a more efficient service for taxpayers.

We believe that a more efficient and effective operating model - one fit for the 21st Century - will allow us to improve both response times and the number of fire engines and firefighting equipment we can deploy to incidents.

Long-term trend of fire fatalities in Scotland, 1994/95 - 2016/17



**55%
DECLINE
IN FIRES**

58,500
primary fires
in 1994-95

26,300
primary fires
in 2016-17

IN SCOTLAND

The SFRS today

The Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) was formed on 1 April 2013, giving the people of Scotland more equitable access to the vast resources and capability of the UK's largest - world's fourth largest - fire and rescue service.

Our Statutory Responsibilities

Originally set out by The Fire (Scotland) Act 2005 and as amended by the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012, our duties have continued to evolve to include the provision of advice and guidance relating to fire safety, and responsibility to respond to fires and road traffic collisions.

The Service is also obliged under the Fire (Additional Function) (Scotland) Order 2005 to respond to chemical, biological, radiological or nuclear incidents; to respond to serious flooding; and respond to serious transport incidents. It also gave SFRS responsibility for Urban Search and Rescue in incidents such as a building collapse.

We also respond to a wide range of emergencies in domestic, industrial, urban and rural environments including water rescues, rescue from height, severe weather-related incidents, animal rescues and many other risk-critical events.

SFRS attended over 91,000 emergency incidents of all types in the year to 31 March 2017. In addition, we carried out over 70,000 home fire safety visits and nearly 9,000 non-domestic fire safety audits.



The mandate to transform

The purpose of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service was set out in the 2013 Framework.

The new Framework which came into effect from 1 September 2016 reiterated the purpose of the SFRS, and also the role the Service plays in the delivery of the National Outcomes. It also emphasised the on-going drive to reform public services, built on the four pillars of the Christie Commission and specified that transformation of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service was to be one of ten Strategic Priorities set by Scottish Ministers.

“The main purpose of the Scottish Fire and Rescue Service is to work in partnership with communities and with others in the public, private and third sectors, on prevention, protection and response, to improve the safety and wellbeing of people throughout Scotland.”

“The SFRS should continue to ensure that the benefits of Fire Reform are fully realised, evidenced and tracked, and it should explore through Service redesign new and innovative ways in which it can improve the safety and well-being of communities throughout Scotland by building on the traditional roles carried out by the Service.”

SFRS subsequently published its Strategic Plan, which sets out how the SFRS proposes to carry out its functions over the period it covers, and the outcomes against which these may be measured.

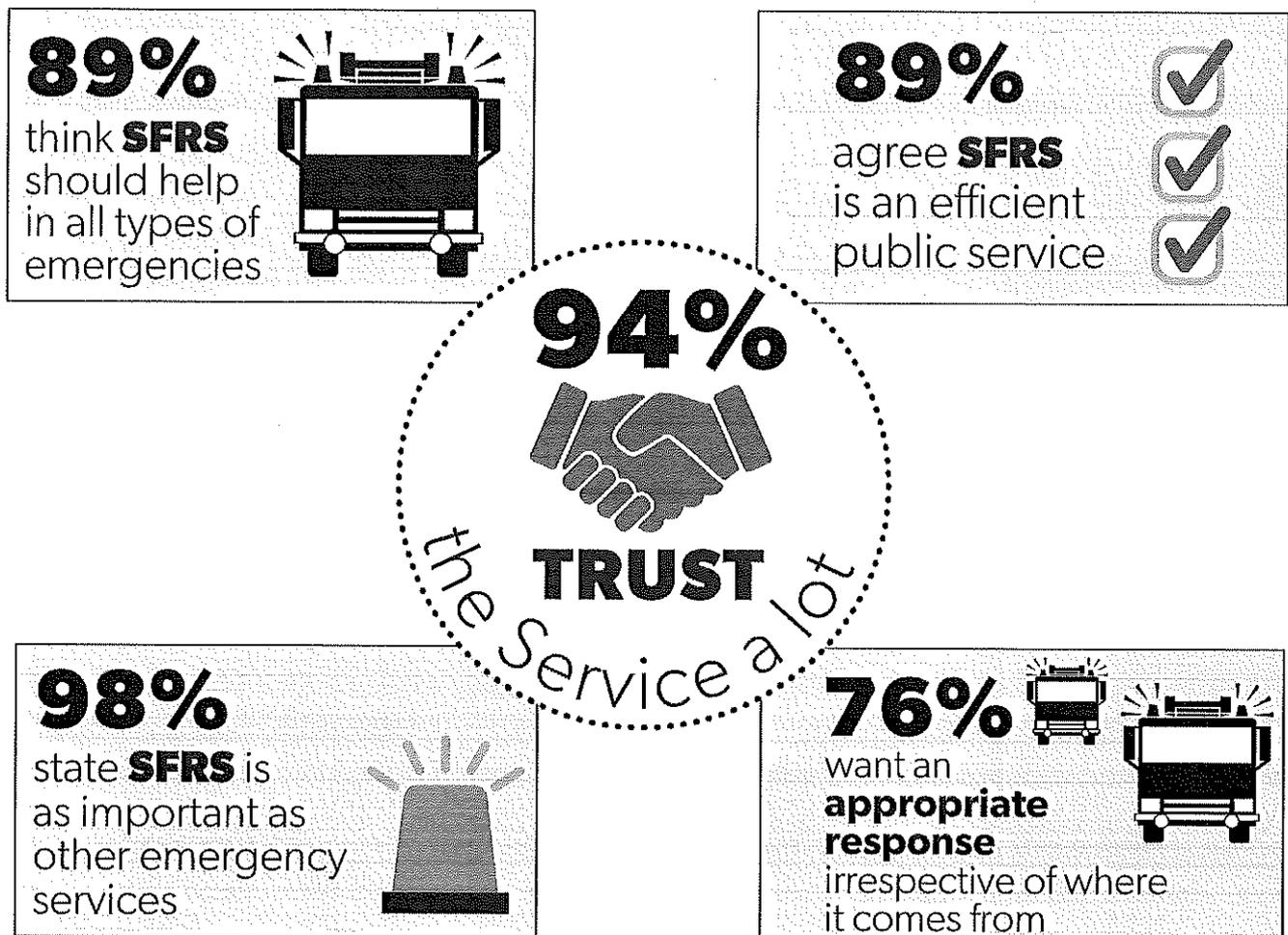
The principles of the proposed long-term Vision for the SFRS are, therefore, entirely in line with the Fire and Rescue Framework for Scotland 2016 and SFRS Strategic Plan 2016 - 2019, both of which have previously been subject to public consultation.

Maintaining public confidence

We understand the public looks to us in their times of greatest need.

It is vital that the public has trust in our capabilities and that we will have the right resources in the right place at the right time and, that the advice we provide on prevention of harm is credible and makes a real difference.

We believe transformation will build even greater public confidence by doing even more to ensure their safety and wellbeing.



MORI Survey of 1,000 adults in Scotland conducted in May 2017

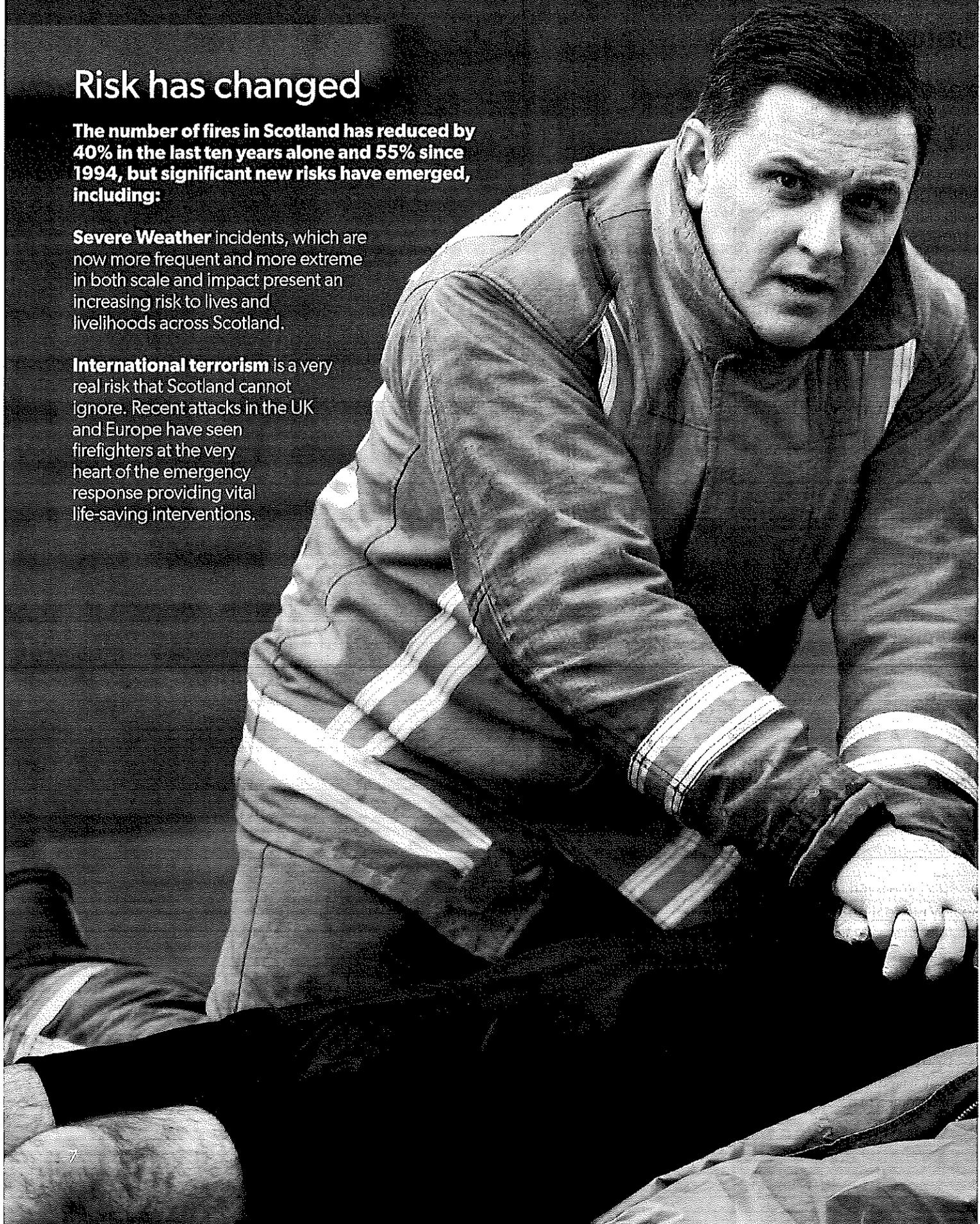
The need to transform

Risk has changed

The number of fires in Scotland has reduced by 40% in the last ten years alone and 55% since 1994, but significant new risks have emerged, including:

Severe Weather incidents, which are now more frequent and more extreme in both scale and impact present an increasing risk to lives and livelihoods across Scotland.

International terrorism is a very real risk that Scotland cannot ignore. Recent attacks in the UK and Europe have seen firefighters at the very heart of the emergency response providing vital life-saving interventions.



Scotland's ageing population is seeing demand generated from an increase in the number of people who are at risk of fire and other forms of preventable harm, such as trips and falls, or showing early signs of dementia, within the home environment.

Firefighters can play a vital role in saving lives through **Emergency Medical Response** and contribute to improving Scotland's survival rates for medical emergencies such as Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest -

the pilot of which with the Scottish Ambulance Service saw lives saved by the early intervention of firefighters. When minutes matter, our trained firefighters could save so many more lives.

Scotland's firefighters will often be the first on scene at such incidents - or preventing harm through early intervention -, but only by transforming can we ensure they are trained, equipped and supported by the right operating model that allows them to meet these risks safely and effectively.



The number of fires in Scotland has reduced by 35% since 1994 but significant new risks have emerged

We can reduce demand across public services

Our preventative work has already contributed to a significant reduction in fires and fire deaths. By extending our expertise in prevention, we can make a direct and meaningful contribution to reducing demand across the public sector.

With access to around 72,000 households a year, the SFRS is in a unique position to contribute to improving wellbeing as well as reducing social and economic inequalities.

We would look to formalise our role in tackling antisocial behaviour, reducing reoffending, and working in partnership to tackle domestic abuse. As respected role models, our diversionary work in communities, supports young people - particularly those at risk of offending - with the aim of avoiding them entering the justice system, as well as working with those who have already entered.

There is scope for the SFRS to work with partners to deliver effective harm prevention measures through a more holistic approach to assessing risk and to take action to reduce or remove it.

For example, responding to help those who do fall, or installing equipment in the home to prevent future accidents.

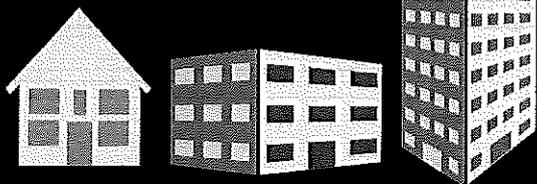
This will give increased confidence to the most vulnerable people living independently. In addition, by increasing the prevention and intervention reach of the SFRS, there is potential to reduce the burden on NHS and social care services.

At present, our operating model limits the time firefighters can spend on meaningful prevention, intervention and diversion work. A transformed operating model would see more availability at the optimum time to conduct this work - further reducing the risk of fires but also delivering real benefits in demand and cost reduction for health, social care and justice.

We have set out earlier in this consultation the Emergency Medical Response role that firefighters can play. This would support our valued colleagues in the Ambulance Service, rendering critical initial aid until further assistance arrives.

Access to around

72,000
households
every year





**POLICE
SCOTLAND**

Keeping people safe



Dumfries & Galloway Local Policing Plan

Local Policing for Local Communities

2017 - 2020



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Dumfries and Galloway Police Division

Dumfries and Galloway is unique. Many of the challenges and threats faced by the people of this region are shaped by the particular social, economic, geographical and cultural make-up of the south west of Scotland. This means that the policing of our region **must** take account of these local issues.

Policing of our communities is also based on the priorities identified by local consultation and analysis of the threats to safety of local people. The publication of this plan fulfils a statutory requirement derived from the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 for the Police to contribute to the delivery of local and national outcomes.

Police Scotland is part of the Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning partnership. Section 6(1) of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 requires each Community Planning Partnership to compile a Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) with the key focus of shared outcomes at a local level.

Overall the Dumfries and Galloway Local Policing Plan 2017-2020 is part of a collaborative approach with our partner agencies to improve the lives of people in our communities.

LOCAL POLICING PLANS

What does it mean for Dumfries and Galloway

This plan clearly sets out our priorities to help us maintain the policing services we need for the kind of lives we want to live in this region. We can only do this as part of a community partnership with our partner agencies, groups, individuals and of course the continued support of the public.

As representatives of the regions communities, members on the Dumfries and Galloway Local Authority have scrutinised and approved this plan. In addition to this three-year plan there are four Local Area Plans which set out the priorities and outcomes for Annandale and Eskdale; Nithsdale; Stewartry and Wigtownshire. These plans detail how we will respond to the specific needs and concerns of those areas.

POLICING DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

How does the region compare to the rest of Scotland

Dumfries and Galloway division (V Division) is a primarily rural region, served solely by Dumfries and Galloway Council with an estimated population of around 150,000. Covering 2,380 square miles, it is the third largest Coterminal Unitary Authority in Scotland in terms of land area stretching from Langholm in the east to Stranraer in the west and from Kirkconnel and Carsphairn in the north down to Gretna on the border.

Over half of the main arterial roadway between England and Scotland (M74/A74 (M)) runs through Dumfries and Galloway. The strategic importance to Scotland of this primary route is evident through policing successes achieved in terms of drug seizures on this road.



The population of Dumfries and Galloway is different from the Scottish population profile with the proportion of 16-29 year olds below the national average and those in the 60-74 and 75+ brackets markedly above the average in Scotland. The makeup of our population therefore brings a range of challenges for policing an area where the average weekly earnings is significantly lower than the Scottish average and the population is changing. The diversity of our communities is also changing with the size of the minority ethnic population having doubled since 2001 to 1.2%.

The creation of Police Scotland in 2013 brought significant change to the structure of national policing and the evolution of local policing has kept its focus on the communities of Dumfries and Galloway. Police Scotland has allowed local officers to gain more experience and knowledge in different arenas. Police Scotland will also actively engage in discussion with Dumfries and Galloway Council and other Community Planning Partners to support the location of central and national support services in the region. We are traditionally a low-crime area and local policing arrangements continue to explore creative ways of engaging with partners and the public to keep it that way.

In Dumfries and Galloway we have strong relationships with our partner agencies and the creation of a Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) located within Police Headquarters, Cornwall Mount, Dumfries enhanced our joint co-ordinated approach to protect and safeguard children and vulnerable adults through information sharing and effective decision making. Dumfries and Galloway led the way in being the first division within Police Scotland to have a fully resourced MASH and with all principles co-located within a Police building. Dumfries and Galloway were also the first division to have adult protection as well as child protection located within the MASH.

The Divisional Commander oversees the delivery of policing in our 2 sub divisions: Dumfries (VA) and Galloway (VG). In October 2016 the Division underwent a restructuring to provide a more efficient and enhanced service delivery by matching resource to demand.

As demand for policing services continues to increase and the nature of that demand continues to change, Police Scotland remains committed to the delivery of one of the Scottish Government's refreshed strategic Police Priorities – Localism - defined as:

‘Ensuring that the needs of local communities are understood and reflected in the planning and delivery of policing at a local and national level.’





LOCAL SCRUTINY AND ENGAGEMENT

The Scottish Police Authority (SPA) was established to maintain policing, promote policing principles and continuous improvement of policing, and to hold the Chief Constable to account. The SPA is also the employer of staff (not police officers) and responsible for the delivery of services to the SPA board and policing throughout Scotland. Dumfries and Galloway division has a close working relationship with the SPA and accounts formally, by report, for our policing activity throughout the year.

Additionally we also report to the Local Authority Police Fire and Rescue Sub Committee on a quarterly basis. This committee of local councillors scrutinises the activities and performance of the local police and can directly hold the divisional commander to account. This is an important opportunity to maintain local engagement and allow for constructive challenge of changes to local service delivery. These are public meetings and fully recorded to be made available via the Council website.

We also report to and attend Local Area Committee meetings where we can give updates on the local policing priorities for those areas. These are also public meetings. We will provide regular updates on national developments, local pilot programmes (such as mental health triage) and the maintenance of local policing through the Council's reporting processes.

ENGAGEMENT

In Dumfries and Galloway division we have a specific emphasis on community engagement and we receive ongoing support from community councils. We rely on a strong rapport with the public throughout our rural region and by working together we will protect our communities and sustain a safe and secure environment.

Over the next three years Dumfries and Galloway Division will focus on further developing community engagement whether geographic, demographic or virtual.

In 2017 we completely changed our Community Policing model having listened to the local community concerns after our division became part of Police Scotland. We recognise the importance of reinventing some traditional styles of community policing, but giving them a modern twist.



ENGAGEMENT

We have a specific focus on making our community officers much more accessible to the public so that we can directly listen to community views, expectations and concerns. We ensure as much as possible that our community officers are now solely deployed for their community engagement purpose, rather than for response policing.

Our community constables will be visible by car, on foot and by bicycle across the region. They will attend at Community Council meetings and the Tenants and Residents Association to discuss ongoing issues and local concerns. By regularly holding Police surgeries we will ensure that everyone is given the opportunity to speak to our community officers, particularly in relation to our most rural locations, in light of concerns regarding station closures.

We also encourage people to attend our `drop in` sessions and highlight details of these via local media.

We now hold small events within supermarkets and garden centres to raise awareness of local issues and ongoing campaigns to ensure that we cover all demographics.

There are schools community officers and officers based within Dumfries and Galloway Royal Infirmary. We have community officers specifically based in the town centre of Dumfries who are visible on foot on a daily basis liaising with the public and retailers. They also attend the Dumfries Retailers Association.

Our officers also regularly attend the University of the West of Scotland and University of Glasgow to speak to students and staff. They also attend elderly groups, youth groups and mother and toddler Groups to raise awareness of issues and campaigns and discuss concerns.

SOCIAL MEDIA

Engagement in the Virtual Community

Our society is changing and the use of social media is constantly increasing and will continue to do so as we move towards the future. We recognise this is now one of the most successful means of community engagement for our rural region.

In Dumfries and Galloway division we have an extensive social media presence where the public can follow our activities and comment accordingly. Dumfries and Galloway Divisions` Facebook page has a very successful following:

On average our posts are seen 150,000 – 200,000 per week with around 3,500 likes, comments and shares added to our page in response to our posts.



In February 2017 we had a particular success story resulting from a post on our Facebook account and the community response, whereby a 4 year old boy was reported missing in Dumfries. Our post was seen by 1000 people per minute, which resulted in a member of the public spotting the boy at the train station, which was over a mile away from his house. The boy was found safe and well within 20 minutes of him being reported missing and this was the result of the excellent response from our Facebook community.

Our Social Media Accounts



DumfriesGallowayPoliceDivision

-  @DumfriesGPolice
-  @GallowayPolice
-  @NithsdalePolice
-  @AnnanEskdPolice



We are proud to say that in Police Scotland, Dumfries and Galloway division regularly receives the highest levels of social media engagement from the public.



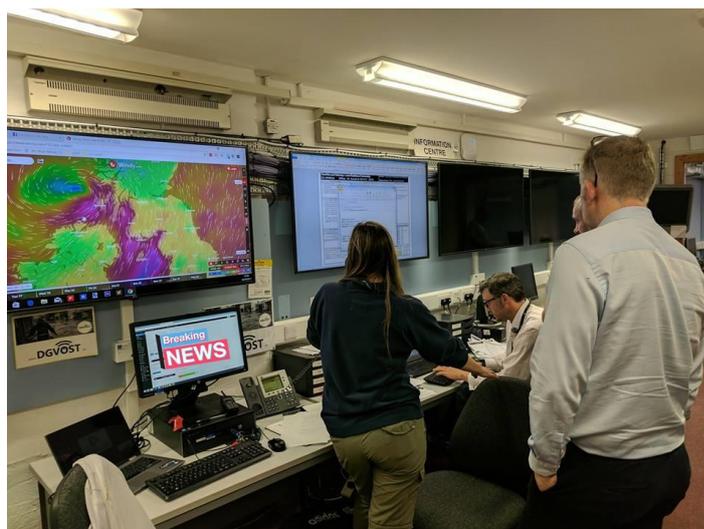
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Dumfries and Galloway Virtual Operation Support Team

Social media has become an increasingly important tool for governmental organisations to share information with the public. During an emergency it can be crucial that people in affected areas are able to obtain accurate information.

Within Dumfries and Galloway, in partnership with Dumfries and Galloway Council, we have introduced a Virtual Operations Support Team. This team is deployed during major incidents and aims to use social media to gather and provide real time information to the public and distribute key safety messages.

The team are also able to counter any misinformation circulating online and provide better situational awareness for incident commanders by gathering live time images and video from the public as the incident develops.



“Dumfries and Galloway division receives full support from the Local Resilience Partnership in relation to the management of major incidents and is committed to working in partnership with local Community Resilience teams.”
– Chief Superintendent Gary Ritchie, V Division, Police Scotland



NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES

Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012

Police Scotland have set National Priorities derived from the Scottish Government, Scottish Police Authority and National consultation exercises. These priorities are:

Violence, Disorder and Anti-social behaviour
Serious Organised Crime
Counter Terrorism and Domestic Extremism
Protecting People at Risk of Harm
Road Safety and Road Crime
Acquisitive Crime

At a national level the Scottish Police Authority and Police Scotland are developing a new long term strategic plan, which will also influence how we deliver policing services in Dumfries and Galloway. The main themes emerging in this plan are:

Protection – Based on threat, risk and harm

Prevention – Tackling crime, inequality and enduring problems facing communities

Communities – Focus on localism, diversity and the virtual world

Knowledge – Informing the development of better services

Innovation – Dynamic, adaptable and sustainable

LOCAL PRIORITIES AND OBJECTIVES

Policing Priorities in Dumfries and Galloway



Tackling Anti-social Behaviour



Protecting vulnerable people at risk of harm



Homes being broken into



Drug dealing / substance misuse



Violent Crime

POLICING DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

How we identified our local priorities

Much of policing in Dumfries and Galloway is spent responding to the demands of the community on a day-to-day basis and that level of service will continue. Of course, choices have to be made about how we will focus our remaining resources and achieve the best possible outcomes whilst working collaboratively throughout our region.

To find out what the public considered should be the policing priorities for the region we have been carrying out an ongoing survey called “Your View Counts”. This has been an important way for us to determine our response to issues of concern to you. This gives local people the chance to influence the setting of both national and local policing priorities by completing an online survey (with alternative option of a paper survey). We also engage with our communities by carrying out a separate ‘User Satisfaction Survey’ which gives an indication of how we are performing on a month by month basis.

At the same time we also prepare a ‘strategic assessment’ which provides an overview of the nature of crime and emerging trends within Dumfries and Galloway and this also contributes to the development of local priorities and objectives.

The third strand of our priority setting is to check that what we propose to do helps the region tackle the inequalities identified by the Community Planning [Local Outcome Improvement Plan \(LOIP\)](#). The overarching Community Planning vision is:

“Working together to create an ambitious, prosperous and confident Dumfries and Galloway where people achieve their potential”.

Alignment with the LOIP also helps us contribute to the national outcomes set by the Scottish Government.

The following information demonstrates how the Local Policing Plan supports the 8 LOIP Outcomes for Community Planning in the region. Under each outcome we have highlighted our Police activity in relation to it



LOCAL OUTCOME 1 - FINANCIAL

Everyone who needs help to work receives the right support

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

Police Scotland recognises the impact of crime on local economy and the part that Policing can play in supporting that economy. Low crime rates are essential for enterprise to flourish and attract inward investment to support jobs and healthy development. We want to ensure that businesses have the confidence of having a safe, secure and crime free environment in which to operate.

We recognise that Police Scotland is a large employer contributing to the overall economy of the region and it is important to ensure employment opportunities in Police Scotland for local people are maintained. We will hold specific recruitment events for regular Constables and Special Constables to promote the advantages of working within Dumfries and Galloway division. Police Scotland is committed to exploring more opportunities to create further roles within the organisation to be based in Dumfries and Galloway. Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out the following activity in support of Outcome 1:

DRUG DEALING / SUBSTANCE MISUSE

AIM: Raise awareness of the effects of drugs and alcohol misuse and achieve a sustainable reduction in demand

ACTIVITY:

- * Develop knowledge and monitor Serious and Organised Crime Group activity.
- * Target drug dealers and enhance financial intelligence of their assets
- * Collaboration with health partner agencies to support persons with addictions
- * Participation in multiagency harm reduction education initiatives and provide alternative positive activities
- * Awareness campaigns / social media
- * Production of interventions plans
- * Stop Searches

INDICATOR:

- * Monitor drug dealing offences recorded and detected.
- * Monitor drug possession offences recorded & detected
- * Monitor drugs death data

DRUG DEALING / SUBSTANCE MISUSE

- The misuse of illegal drugs or the problematic use of alcohol and other substances is a concern across the region and particularly how it affects young people and ultimately their life opportunities.

Through collaborative working we will ensure the effectiveness of access to and understanding of partner data and share a common understanding of harm. By doing this, we will reduce demand and harm of illegal substances in our communities.

PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE AT RISK OF HARM - Between 2017 and 2020 we will focus on early intervention and working with our partners in the MASH (Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub) to identify and support the elderly and most vulnerable, including those that are within the justice system. In collaboration with our partners, we will support Community Justice Scotland and our local Dumfries and Galloway Community Justice Partnership, by ensuring a targeted and joined-up approach that seeks to prevent offending and reduce re-offending.

We will utilise diversionary options when appropriate, including warnings via Restorative Justice, Youth Justice Referrals and Recorded Police Warnings.

LOCAL OUTCOME 2 – LEARNING

Learning opportunities are available to those who need them the most

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

The success of young people in our region is key to the sustainability of our communities. With our partners we will participate in diverting young people from violent crime and ASB, substance misuse and protect the vulnerable from abuse, neglect and exploitation. We will aim to ensure that young people have an understanding of threats and risks in the society in which they live and also those abroad.

We work together with our partners to deliver an event to secondary school pupils called Big World / Do the right thing, which relates to current issues including ASB, Cyber-crime, Drugs Misuse, Social Media and Domestic Abuse to ensure our young people have the right information to make the right choices. Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out the following activity in support of Outcome 2:



ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR – Police Scotland is committed to the prevention of Anti-Social Behaviour across Dumfries and Galloway. We will work with partners to prevent and deter people from being involved in ASB and we will monitor proactive programmes/engagement in local communities. By working collaboratively with our partners and communities we will ensure the protection of children and young people to allow them to flourish in a safe and secure environment and achieve their greatest potential. We will also guide young people towards positive alternatives to criminality through education and training initiatives.

We actively participate in Operation Safety which is a multi-agency initiative designed to educate children aged 10-12 years in different aspects of modern life with a focus on personal safety, responsible citizenship and how to cope with real life scenarios. The content of the sessions are adapted to emerging issues and risks within the local communities. There is also an emphasis on anti-social behaviour and the impact on both individuals and the community.

We will also ensure that we support and reassure victims of Anti-Social Behaviour, particularly the elderly and most vulnerable.



ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

AIM: Divert and deter young people from becoming involved in ASB

ACTIVITY:

- * Make best use of diversionary opportunities to deter young people from becoming involved in ASB
- * Licensing enforcement
- * Support ADP
- * Involvement with multiagency initiatives.
- * Effectiveness of Community Safety team
- * Referrals to EEI
- * Education

INDICATOR:

- * Monitor vandalism offences recorded & detected
- * Monitor complaints of disorder

Average attendance for Operation safety is approximately 1800 children per year. Over the last 18 years, Operation Safety has developed and provided safety education for 32,500 young people across Dumfries and Galloway

TARGET CYBER-CRIME - Cyber-crime is an emerging priority which can affect us all and has the potential to exploit the most vulnerable within local communities. However, it is particularly important we protect young people who use technology on a daily basis from exploitation, intimidation, bullying and abuse.

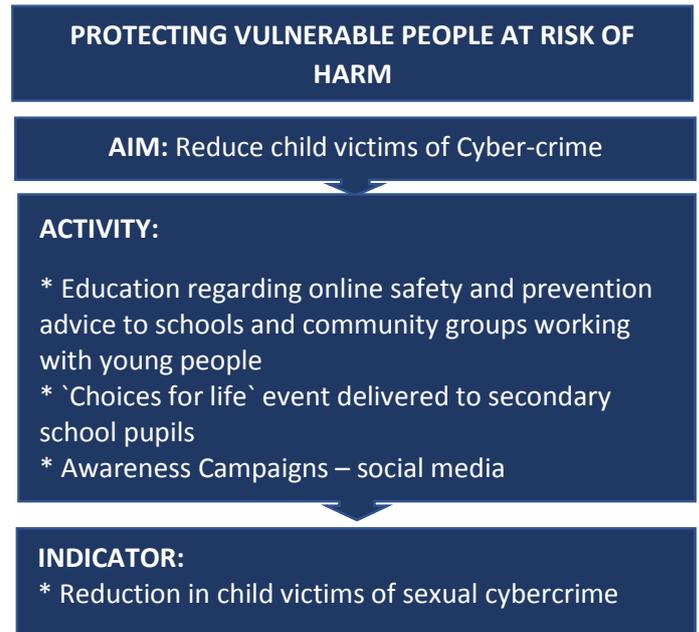
We will also ensure that children and young people are made aware of the risks of being part of a cyber community as they develop into adulthood, to deter them from the trend of posting sexual images online and thereby becoming victims to cyber abuse.

TARGET DRUG /SUBSTANCE MISUSE: Drug and alcohol misuse is a concern across our region and particularly it's` effects on young people and their success.

Links between violent crime, alcohol consumption and health are also well documented.

Through collaborative partnership working with partners including the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership (ADP) and engagement with schools and youth groups our officers deliver drug awareness presentations in relation to drug abuse and emerging Drugs and trends – for example new psychoactive substances (NPS).

Big World / Do the right thing and Choices for Life are particular events for secondary schools relating to a number of current issues, including drug and alcohol misuse. These events ensure young people are fully informed about the risks and encouraged to make better choices in life.



LOCAL OUTCOME 3 – HEALTH AND WELLBEING

Health and wellbeing inequalities are reduced

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

We aim to provide a safer community for vulnerable groups by reducing victimisation and reoffending through early and effective partnership intervention, whilst encouraging vulnerable victims to report crime.

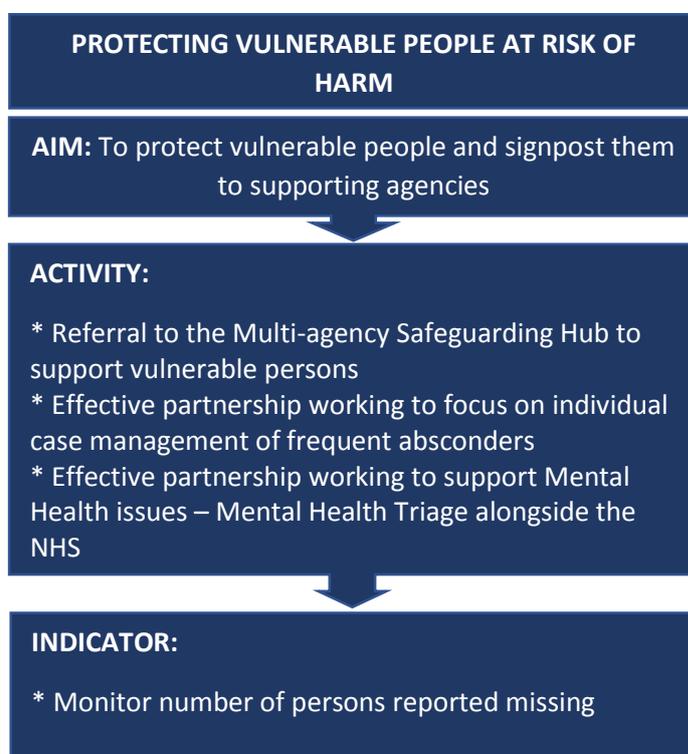
Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out the following activity in support of Outcome 3:

PROTECTING PEOPLE – On average Police in Dumfries and Galloway deal with 30 missing persons every month which is a significant proportion of Police business. Many of these missing persons are affected by mental health issues. It is essential that we work collaboratively with our partners to ensure all vulnerable people are managed and supported effectively.

Protecting the most vulnerable members of our communities from abuse and sexual exploitation has now developed to include the use of internet based applications. Working in partnership with our Multi-Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) we will ensure the protection of vulnerable people at risk.

The Multi Agency Safeguarding Hub (MASH) was implemented to support the process of screening and responding to Adult Support and Protection referrals enabling a multi-agency discussion with regard to risk at the earliest of opportunities. This involved the co-location of Police, NHS and Social Work staff to work out of premises at Police HQ, Dumfries.

Over the next three years, the MASH will allow a more collective approach to sharing information relative to achieving a suitable plan to safeguard those who are deemed at risk within our communities. This will result in a more robust and informed decision making process around risk to adults.



The key principles of the MASH include:

- Safeguarding adults who may be at risk of harm
- Single point of entry for screening referrals on adults at risk
- Assessment and Sharing of information
- Consider Interim Safety Plan
- Identifying patterns of vulnerability in our community
- Identifying / Assessing Risk to adults at risk
- Provide performance information and outcomes.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR - Anti-social behaviour has a destructive effect on our communities and includes alcohol fuelled violence, rowdy behaviour, neighbour disputes, littering and vandalism.

We recognise that the impact of ASB on older and vulnerable people is far greater than on other members of our communities. As such we will be flexible with our response regarding lower level incidents, so that we put particular focus on vulnerable victims.

We will participate in prevention activities, and in collaboration with our partners, intervene to protect those most in need. Criminals who target such individuals will be pursued and the law will be vigorously enforced. We will continue to give specialised security and prevention advice, as well as signposting those in need for additional assistance.



ACQUISITIVE CRIME – In addition to houses being broken into, other acquisitive crime includes theft, `door step` crime (bogus workers), fraud, robbery, vehicle crime, metal theft and ATM crime, all of which affect our local area.

Bogus callers and bogus workers particularly impact on the elderly and erode confidence in independent living.

The Policing activity in relation to ASB is highlighted under Outcome 2.

NB: SFRS – Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

LOCAL OUTCOME 4 - HOUSING

There is affordable and warm housing for all

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

Our activity in relation to protecting vulnerable people at risk of harm has been highlighted throughout this plan and we will signpost those in need, to the relevant partner agencies for support and advice.

LOCAL OUTCOME 5 - MONEY

The money available to people on benefits and low wages is maximised

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

The links between poverty, anti-social behaviour, crime, violence and exploitation are well established and the activities of Police Scotland and its partners to tackle these issues is part of a collaborative approach to break those cyclical links which entrap people and communities. Underlying causes of inter-generational deprivation and low aspiration must be targeted collectively.

Police officers in Dumfries and Galloway encounter poverty and its effects on a daily basis and will endeavour to work collaboratively to increase individual opportunities, divert and deter people from criminal activity, and protect the vulnerable in our communities.

PROTECTION OF VULNERABLE PEOPLE AT RISK AND SUBSTANCE MISUSE

– Low wages and debt issues are often linked to mental health issues including depression and alcoholism. It is imperative that people suffering mental health issues are signposted to relevant agencies for support and advice. Along with our partners we will ensure that referrals are timeously processed in the MASH to identify and provide assistance to the most vulnerable.

Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out activity in relation to this outcome by:

Protecting Vulnerable People at Risk of Harm as per Outcome 3

Substance Abuse as per Outcomes 1 and 2

Acquisitive Crime is covered in Outcome 3. Acquisitive Crime is covered in Outcomes 1, 3 and 7.

LOCAL OUTCOME 6 - SAFETY

People are safe and feel safe

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

Our priority is to keep people safe and create a safe and secure environment for our communities. In Dumfries and Galloway we have a higher demographic of elderly persons than elsewhere in Scotland and we will raise awareness of crimes which specifically target elderly and vulnerable victims and provide security and safety advice. We will also ensure that our community constables are available to elderly communities. We also have a significant number of care establishments for vulnerable young people and it is imperative we work closely with our partners to ensure their safety and protection.

Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out the following activity in support of Outcome 6:

TARGET CHILD ABUSE AND SEXUAL EXPLOITATION - The impact of child abuse can be devastating and extend into adulthood. Protecting the most vulnerable members of our communities from abuse and sexual exploitation has developed to include the use of internet-based applications.

Police Scotland acknowledges the national threat posed by those persons in Scotland who abuse, or seek to abuse, children online. The true scale of this threat is immensely difficult to assess, however Police Scotland is committed to tackling this form of child abuse. In tackling Child Sexual Exploitation we will focus on

awareness raising, training, intelligence, and working with partners to develop early identification and intervention for children at risk.

Our aim is to safeguard the most vulnerable members of our society by working with our partners and by proactively targeting offenders, to reduce the level of abuse and exploitation. We will strive to provide a safer community for vulnerable groups by reducing victimisation and reoffending through early and effective partnership intervention, whilst encouraging vulnerable victims to report crime

PROTECTING VULNERABLE PEOPLE AT RISK OF HARM

AIM: Reduce the level of child abuse and sexual exploitation

ACTIVITY:

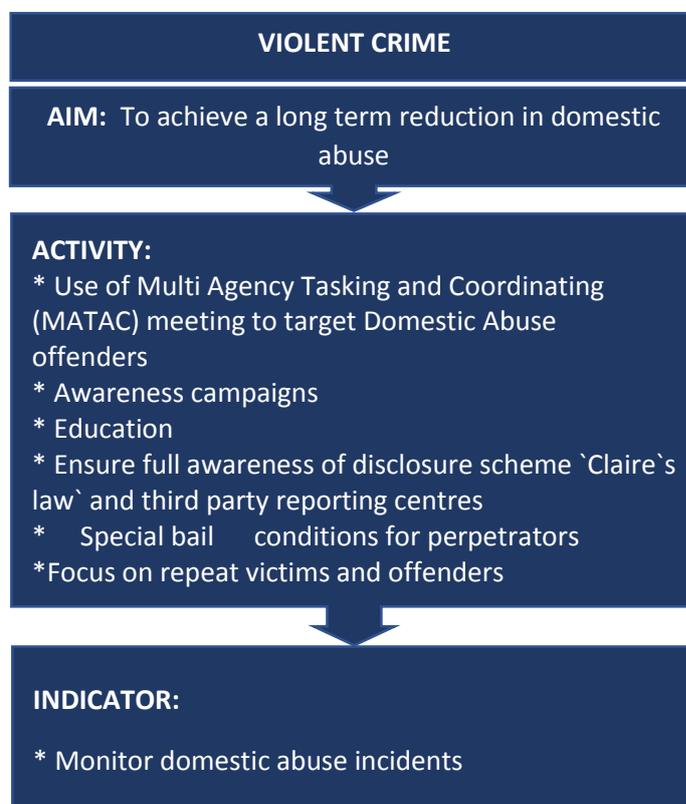
- * Awareness raising activities
- * Identification and investigation of offenders
- * Referral to Multi-agency Safeguarding Hub to support victims
- * Focus on Multi agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA)
- * Public protection performance reports covering specific business areas and partnerships including victimisation surveys.
- * Use of Prevention Orders

INDICATOR:

- * Monitor referrals to partners

TARGET DOMESTIC ABUSE – Violent crime has been highlighted as a concern across our region and a significant number of violent crime incidents involve domestic abuse. The prevalence of violent crime in our region remains relatively low, however, every such crime erodes the quality of life for individuals and the wider community.

Domestic abuse not only affects the victim of the crime, but also has an impact on their families and can seriously harm children and young people. It is imperative that we educate our local communities to recognise and have the confidence to report incidents of domestic abuse so that we can target the perpetrators and break the cycle of violence. We have night time economy plans in place to tackle violent crime in our towns and villages whereby our officers are directed to patrol relevant areas at problematic times and effectively manage licensed premises.



SERIOUS AND ORGANISED CRIME AND DRUG DEALING – Our priority is to keep people safe from the harm posed by the activities of Serious and Organised Crime Groups and individuals who divert millions of pounds from the economy with their illegal activities. These groups make money at the expense of law abiding people and by undermining legitimate business.

Serious Organised Crime Groups also prey on some of the most vulnerable members of our community through criminality such as the sale and distribution of controlled drugs, the addictive effect of which is devastating to the individual, their families and the wider community.

This issue cannot be solely tackled by the Police alone and as such we will work together with our local communities, businesses and partners to tackle SOC and its` effect on our local economy, particularly in relation to cybercrime, money laundering, organised fraud and drug dealing. We rely on information from members of our community to enhance our knowledge of activities of these groups and to maximise our disruptive impact.

We aim to:

Divert people from becoming involved in SOC and using its` products.

Deter Serious Organised Crime Groups (SOCGs) by supporting private, public and third sector organisations to protect themselves and others.

Detect, identify and prosecute those involved in SOC.

Disrupt Serious Organised Crime Groups.

COUNTER TERRORISM – This is a national priority, however the threat from terrorism and radicalisation can affect any community. We aim to reduce the risk of terrorism so that people can go about their business freely, safely and with confidence.

The UK Governments` Counter Terrorism Strategy (CONTEST) has four strands PURSUE, PREVENT, PROTECT and PREPARE. We will contribute to this strategy at a local level by increasing general awareness of counter terrorism through delivery of CONTEST briefings to our partners and providing advice and assistance on their protect and prepare planning.

COUNTER TERRORISM AND DOMESTIC EXTREMISM

AIM: Reduce and mitigate the risk and impact of terrorism in our region

ACTIVITY:

- * Contribute fully to the UK Governments Counter Terrorism Strategy
- * Submit intelligence
- * Raise public awareness – Run, Hide, Tell
- * National campaigns
- * Delivery of Protect / Prepare strands of the strategy to our partner agencies and third sector partners

INDICATOR: Monitor number of CONTEST awareness presentations delivered to partners and third sector organisations

HUMAN TRAFFICKING – This is a hidden crime which is happening now in communities across Scotland and Dumfries and Galloway is not immune. Human trafficking involves adults and children being traded and exploited for profit or personal benefit and often involves Serious and Organised Crime Groups.

Police Scotland will continue to raise awareness of this crime and work with partner agencies to ensure communities are aware of the signs of human trafficking and to report any suspicious activity.

We will monitor business activity within Dumfries and Galloway, with emphasis on those types of businesses where human trafficking and illegal immigrants have been reported in other areas of Scotland. We will also continue to remain vigilant in relation to human trafficking and illegal immigrants at the ferry ports at Loch Ryan and Cairnryan and service areas within the region, particularly those located off the arterial route of the A74(M) Glasgow to Carlisle road.



After the terrorist attack in Manchester on 22nd May 2017 the UK threat level was increased to critical (meaning an attack is expected imminently) and as a result we saw armed police officers increase their visibility within our communities to provide added reassurance. Moving forward the threat from terrorism will continue and the tactics we deploy must adapt to respond accordingly to keep our communities safe.

ACQUISITIVE CRIME - Crime rates in Dumfries and Galloway are among the lowest in Scotland, however having your home broken into, remains a significant concern within the community. Break-ins to commercial premises also impact directly on the local economy. By working together with our partner agencies we can support and enhance the resilience of our communities.

We aim to sustain low levels of this crime and fear of it with productive partnerships which support victims and reduce re-offending, building high levels of public confidence.



LOCAL OUTCOME 7 - ACCESSIBILITY

People are well connected

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

In Dumfries and Galloway a well maintained and protected roads network and infrastructure is vital to our local economy and our rural communities. The transport and digital agenda is of great importance to our communities in terms of access to services, employment and sustainability.

Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out the following activity in support of Outcome 7:

COUNTER TERRORISM AND DOMESTIC EXTREMISM – This is a national priority and the threat from terrorism is real. Dumfries and Galloway has strategic sites, a vast coastline and ferry ports and they will remain a focus for local protection and preventative activity. There will be an emphasis on early intervention and prevention to disrupt any suspicious activity.

We will protect our communities from terrorism through education, ensuring they remain vigilant and resilient.

Our activity in relation to counter terrorism and domestic extremism is outlined in Outcome 1.

TARGET CYBERCRIME - Cybercrime is an emerging National priority with the increase and development of technology. It is a borderless crime which poses a significant threat to the economic and national security of Scotland.

We need to remain vigilant to fraudulent internet scams which target the most vulnerable people in our communities and our local businesses. By improving awareness of internet security we will help to achieve mitigation of cybercrime threat to local businesses and communities.



PROMOTE ROADS SAFETY AND REDUCE ROAD CRIME – In Dumfries and Galloway the main issues affecting our roads are serious or fatal collisions and lengthy road closures caused by such occurrences.

The main roads within our region are critical to local businesses and we recognise the impact that closures have on transport commodities or customer access.

Due to our geographical area Dumfries and Galloway is susceptible to crime committed by travelling criminals. The roads policing unit play a vital part in the detection and disruption of persons who are intent on committing crimes within our local communities.

The roads policing units within Dumfries and Galloway division are responsible for enforcing road traffic law, the investigation, reporting and analysis of road crashes, education and liaison with communities, whilst supporting initiatives at a local and national level.



Police Scotland is a member of the Dumfries and Galloway Roads Safety Partnership which aims to reduce the number of roads deaths and serious injury collisions in the region. The Dumfries and Galloway Roads Safety Partnership is focussed on the five E's: Education, Engineering, Enforcement, Encouragement and Evaluation.





LOCAL OUTCOME 8 - INVOLVEMENT

Individuals and communities are empowered

HOW DO WE CONTRIBUTE TO THIS?

We recognise the importance of empowering the communities in our region to have an effective voice and working with them and our partners to identify local needs as we move towards 2020. We aim to ensure that everyone feels part of our communities.

The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 aims to enhance community involvement in community planning, creating new opportunities for influencing public service provisions and decision making and for community asset ownership and management. In Dumfries and Galloway region we embrace this concept working alongside the Community Planning partnership.

For more information on the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 please [visit this website](#)

We will continue to encourage recruitment of Special Constables to Dumfries and Galloway Division as they greatly assist in our service delivery.

Over the next 3 years Police in Dumfries and Galloway division will carry out the following activity in support of Outcome 8:

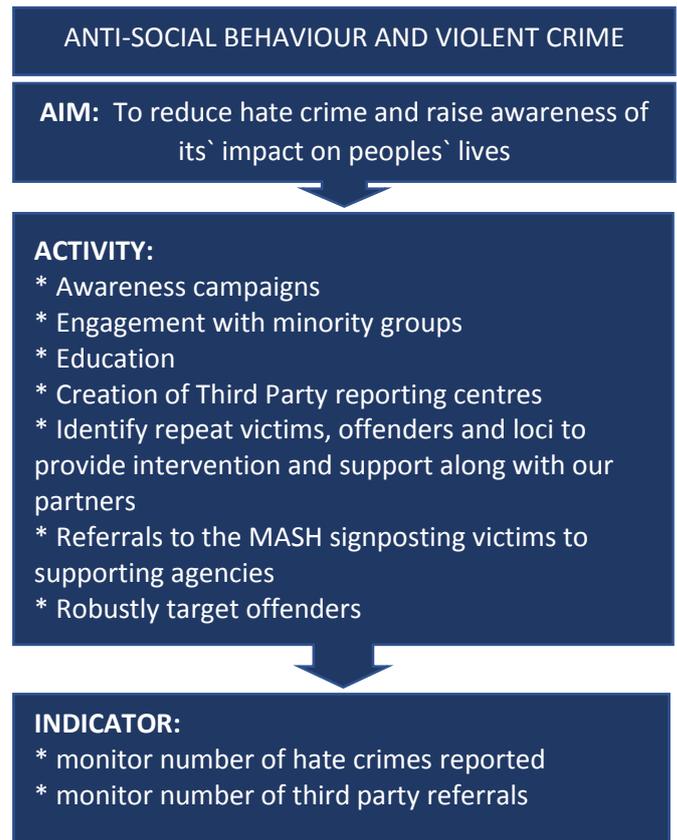
HATE CRIME - Hate crime levels in our region are low and surveys suggest that it is under reported. Such crimes are particularly toxic in nature as they cause a disproportionate level of damage to community relations and the victim's involved. Local policing concentrates on the promotion of zero tolerance and the facilitation of crime reporting including Third Party Reporting Centres to encourage victims and bystanders to report incidents of hate crime.

We actively engage with equality and diversity groups to enable minority groups to influence decision making at a local level and communicate any concerns they have. This is done in a variety of ways including:

- Quarterly external equality and diversity meetings held at Police Headquarters in Dumfries with representatives and speakers from a range of minority groups.
- Designated hate crime officer who liaises with a number of different groups and organisations across all the protected characteristics.
- Support and engagement with the `I Am Me` project and the `Keep Safe` initiative to raise awareness of and tackle disability hate crime.
- Liaison officers for the Islamic Centre, Polish Community and Dumfries and Galloway Multicultural Association
- Four LGBT liaison officers appointed to liaise directly with local LGBT organisations to provide support and assistance to service users and raise awareness across schools and other organisations.

HATE CRIME - Any crime that is perceived by the victim or any other person as being motivated by malice, ill will or prejudice towards race, religion, disability, sexual orientation and transgender identity.

*NB LGBT – Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender





POLICE SCOTLAND YOUTH VOLUNTEERS (PSYV) – This scheme is a nationwide Police initiative designed to inspire and mentor young people to participate positively in their communities by supporting local policing priorities through volunteering and giving young people a chance to be heard.

The scheme brings together twenty-four 13 to 17 year olds from varying social backgrounds and inspires them to contribute positively to their environment. Individual characteristics such as gender, ethnicity and sexual orientation disperse amid a spirit of solidarity.

PSYV Stranraer was established in 2015 and is recruited from S3-S6 pupils at Stranraer Academy, co-ordinated by a local Police Constable and assisted by adult volunteers.

Objectives:

- Encourage the spirit of adventure and good citizenship
- Support local policing priorities through volunteering & giving young people a chance to be heard
- Promote a practical understanding of the police amongst all young people
- Inspire young people to participate positively in their communities.

Activity:

- Promotion of local policing campaigns and issues at youth events
- Raise money for local communities and charities via sponsored events
- Deployment at community events
- Deliver internet safety workshops in local primary schools.

Individual benefits:

- Individual development and achievement
- Improved confidence and self-worth
- Development of a camaraderie and team ethos
- Development of life skills, communication and professional conduct which will assist in adult life, further education or employment.

Stranraer PSYV is a good example of positive citizenship in the local community and indeed across the whole of Dumfries and Galloway.

PERFORMANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY

Within Police Scotland

The focus of performance in Police Scotland has changed. The approach of recent years, based on statistics and targets, has now evolved into a wider assessment and appreciation of performance, taking account of various factors, but grounded in our local priorities and strategic objectives. This has allowed for better appreciation of areas of strength and weakness, a more comprehensive understanding of success and better opportunities for joint working as outcomes are better defined and more broadly understood and shared, or at least reflected, across agencies through the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan.

Scrutiny and assessment of statistical and quantitative data around the incidence of crime remains an important part of our measurement of how well we deliver service against public expectations. This will remain at the foundation of our assessment, but it will exist against a wider and more qualitative background of information which will more accurately define problem areas and trends.

Performance in Dumfries and Galloway is founded on the local policing commitments and objectives articulated in this local policing plan and reflects the police's role in the community and the demands the community make of their local police officers.

Our performance is underpinned by a constructive and collaborative approach and articulates clearly in its desired outcomes, the value and necessity of joint working, shared services and strong community engagement.



Performance reporting is provided to the Police, Fire and Rescue sub-committee of the Local Authority. Senior officers from the division attend these meetings to report on performance and respond to any questions that the elected members of the committee may have. This is also supported by inputs to local Area Committees.

Reports are published on the Dumfries and Galloway Council website. (www.dumgal.gov.uk)

Our values are Integrity, Fairness and Respect which means that we will put our communities first; treat people with care, compassion and humility and work hard to Keep People Safe.

EQUALITIES

Within Police Scotland

Police Scotland must provide a high quality of service to all members of the community. Nationally we adhere to the equality and diversity outcomes developed for the Force. Locally we work closely with a range of partners representing our staff associations and all protected groups.

We are represented on the Dumfries and Galloway Diversity and Equality Working Group and internally we have an Equality and Diversity Group under the chair of the Superintendent Support and Service Delivery. This group is responsible for ensuring that equality and diversity principles are embedded in everything we do locally.

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DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY DIVISION LOCAL POLICING PLAN 2017- 2020

1. Background

1.1 National arrangements for Police were implemented on 1 April 2013 under the terms of the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012.

1.2 The legislation directed Police Scotland to ensure there are adequate arrangements in place to carry out its duties in each Local Authority area, and to prepare a Local Policing Plan setting out the priorities of the Service in connection with local needs.

1.3 Legislation in the Police and Fire Reform (Scotland) Act 2012 requires that the local commander must prepare and submit a local police plan to the relevant local authority for approval under section 47 (1)

1.4 The legislation in section 47 (2) requires the Local Plan to consist of the following elements:

'47 Local Police Plans

(2)A local police plan is a plan which—

- (a) Sets out the main priorities and objectives for the policing of the local authority's area,
- (b) Explains the reasons for selecting each of those priorities and objectives,
- (c) Sets out the proposed arrangements for the policing of the local authority's area (and how those arrangements are expected to achieve the main priorities and objectives),
- (d) Where reasonably practicable, identifies outcomes by reference to which the achievement of those priorities and objectives may be measured,
- (e) Describes how those priorities, objectives and arrangements are expected to contribute to the delivery of any other relevant local outcomes which are identified by community planning, and
- (f) includes any other information connected with the policing of the local authority's area which the local commander considers relevant.'

2. Key issues

2.1 The Dumfries and Galloway Division Local Policing Plan highlights the local policing priorities as identified by the public and is specifically aligned to the Dumfries and Galloway Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP). Within the Plan we have outlined the eight LOIP outcomes and the Police activity in relation them.

3. Next steps

3.1 The Dumfries and Galloway Division Local Policing Plan 2017-2020 will be submitted to the Dumfries and Galloway Council on 29th March 2018 for approval.

4. Recommendation

The Board is invited to endorse the Dumfries and Galloway Division Local Policing Plan 2017-2020 as attached in the Appendix.

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Police Inspector
8 March 2018

Appendix

1. Draft Dumfries and Galloway Division Local Policing Plan 2017-2020



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DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Date	Work Programme 2018
Friday 22 June	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Group Update (to include Review of Locality Partnerships) • Current Key Strategic Issues • Workshop on Community Planning Survey and Action Learning Programme • South of Scotland Enterprise Agency and Borderlands Initiative • Moffat Town Hall Development
Friday 21 September	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Group Update • Current Key Strategic Issues • LOIP and Locality Plan - end of year performance report (1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018) • Stranraer Waterfront Project
Friday 16 November	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Executive Group Update • Current Key Strategic Issues • Dumfries Learning Town

Note: the current Key Strategic Issues report covers:

- Anti-Poverty Strategy (including performance monitoring of the Action Plan)
- Children's Services Plan (including performance monitoring of the Action Plan)
- Community Justice Improvement Plan
- Community Learning and Development Partners' Strategic Plan
- Health and Social Care Strategic Plan (including performance monitoring of the Action Plan)
- Local Housing Strategy
- Regional Economic Strategy (including performance monitoring of the Action Plan)
- Regional Transport Strategy