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12 March 11 June 10 September 12 November

## DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Meeting on Friday 10 September 10am – 12.30pm Easterbrook Hall and By ' MS Teams'

#### Members

Elaine Murray - Leader

**Chair** Dumfries and Galloway Council

Nick Morris - Chair

Vice Chair NHS Dumfries and Galloway

Jeff Ace - Chief Executive

NHS Dumfries and Galloway (advisor)

**Hugh Carr** - Dumfries and Galloway Further and Higher

**Education Sector** 

lan Carruthers - Councillor

**Dumfries and Galloway Council** 

Colin Cook - Location Director for Dumfries and Galloway

Scottish Government (observer)

Rob Davidson - Councillor

**Dumfries and Galloway Council** 

John Dougan - Vice Chair

Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway

Laura Douglas - Chair

**Dumfries and Galloway Integration Joint Board** 

Maureen Dowden - Dumfries and Galloway Housing Sector

Professor Russel Griggs - Chair

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**Sheena Horner** - Dumfries and Galloway Private Sector

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Craig McGoldrick - Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue

Service, Dumfries and Galloway Division (advisor)

Carol McGuire - Local Commander, Police Scotland,

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#### FRIDAY 10 SEPTEMBER 2021 10am – 12.30pm Easterbrook Hall, Bankend Road, Dumfries and By MS Teams

#### **AGENDA**

- 10.00am 1. DRAFT MINUTE OF MEETING OF DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD ON 12 JUNE 2021 (attached)
- **10.05am 2. COVID RESPONSE, RENEWAL AND RECOVERY** (attached)
- **10.35am 3. DIGITAL PARTICIPATION CHARTER** (attached)
- 11.00am 4. DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY CLIMATE EMERGENCY UPDATE (attached)
- **11.40am 5. BUSINESS BRIEFING SEPTEMBER 2021** (attached)
- 11.55am 6. KEY STRATEGIES AND PLANS UPDATES (attached)
- 12.10pm 7. COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD FORWARD PROGRAMME
- 12.30pm CLOSE



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# DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD Friday 11 June 2021 by Teams

Item 1

#### **Present**

Elaine Murray - Leader

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Jeff Ace - Chief Executive

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Rob Davidson - Councillor

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Fiona Lees - Interim Chief Executive

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**Apologies** 

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Andrew Wood - SWestrans

In attendance

Stephen Jack - Lifelong Learning Manager

**Liz Manson** - Community Planning and Engagement Manager

**Lorna Meahan** - Director Economy and Resources

(Item 3.11)

Kirsty Peden - Community Engagement Manager

Dumfries and Galloway Council (Item 2.2)

**Mark Thomson** - Response, Renewal and Recovery Team

Dumfries and Galloway Council (Item 2)

Valerie White - Director of Public Health

NHS Dumfries and Galloway

Kerry Willacy - NHS Dumfries and Galloway

(Item 3.6)

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10 members present, including 5 advisors, from 11 partners.

The Chair **WELCOMED** everyone to the meeting

## 1. DRAFT MINUTE OF MEETING OF DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD ON 12 MARCH 2020

APPROVED as a correct record, NOTING the two Third Sector representatives have been agreed as the Chair and Vice Chair of Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

## 2. COVID RESPONSE, RENEWAL AND RECOVERY AND ROUNDTABLE UPDATES FROM PARTNER ORGANISATIONS

#### 2.1 Response update

#### 2.1.1 **NOTED**:

- Increase in case numbers across the region
- Multi-agency approach and good progress with vaccinations. 82% of over 18
  population have had their first vaccination dose and 66% of over 18s have had their
  second dose, of which 92% are over 50.
- delivering 2,500-3000 PCR tests per week and between 8-9,000 lateral flow tests
- modelling about the link between case numbers and hospitalisation and forward projections
- with great pleasure, the permanent appoint of Valerie White as the region's Director Public Health

#### HIGHLIGHTED

 risks with new delta variant present within the region and the importance of following Public Health advice

#### **ENCOURAGED**

- employers to allow time off for employees to attend vaccinations
- twice weekly lateral flow tests and the proactive work with employers, offering mobile lateral flow testing within their grounds

## 2.1.2 **CONGRATULATED AND THANKED** NHS D&G on all their hard work so far. **ACTION: DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC HEALTH/CHIEF OFFICER RRR**

#### 2.2 Visitor Management update

2.2.1 **RECEIVED** a video presentation showcasing the work undertaken around visitor management, including signage.

#### 2.2.2 **NOTED:**

- importance of continuous engagement listening to needs of communities and visitors.to address the challenges and opportunities
- exceptional partnership working across public and third sector organisations
- £900,000 has been invested by Dumfries and Galloway Council to support the additional pressures that the increase of visitors will bring to the region
- Positive feedback from visitors
- Visitor Ambassador programme being focused on smaller towns



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- Dedicated Visitor Management Locality Hubs have responded guickly and effectively to gueries and requirements
- 2.2.3 **RECORDED APPRECIATION** of the work undertaken to support the extra visitors to the region.

#### **ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING ENGAGEMENT**

#### 2.3 Roundtable updates from partner organisations

- 2.3.1 **NOTED** the top three priorities for the coming six months from partners that required resources and/or joint working (Appendix);
- 2.3.2 **AGREED** to stand down the Covid Recovery Partnership and that the Community Planning Executive Group would be responsible for the partnership Covid Recovery Plan;
- 2.3. FURTHER AGREED that the updated Plan reflect the issues shared by partners at this meeting along with the four Covid 'hidden harms' and be presented for approval to the next meeting

**ACTION: RRR CHIEF OFFICER, DGC** 

#### 3. KEY STRATEGIES AND PLANS - UPDATES

HIGHLIGHTED that the purpose of the updates was to scrutinise performance and progress of Action Plans and specific projects that contribute to the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan Performance Framework; and therefore, future contributions should be focused on these issues rather than general updates on activities.

> **ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAEGMENT** MANAGER/ALL LEAD OFFICERS

**NOTED** the updates from the Key Plans and Strategies that support the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan as follows:

- 3.1 Children's Services Plan and Local Child Poverty Action Plan
- **NOTED** position of these two statutory Plans
- 3.2 Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan

NOTED and AGREED to support the position in relation to annual funding from Scottish Government

- 3.3 Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partners' Strategic Plan NOTED currently mid-way through the consultation programme and ENCOURAGED partners others to take part.
- 3.4 COVID Recovery Plan

**NOTED** (see also Item 2.3)



#### 3.5 Employability and Skills Plan

**NOTED** and **AGREED** Plan would be presented to the Community Planning Executive Group to consider feedback from key sectors and businesses around recruitment and skills based agenda.

#### 3.6 Health and Social Care Strategic Plan

**RECEIVED** a presentation on the new Health and Social Care Strategic Plan which highlighted the issues in the draft Plan currently out for consultation, and encouraged organisations and individuals to fully engage with the process.

#### 3.7 Local Development Plan 2

**NOTED** 

#### 3.8 Local Housing Strategy

NOTED

#### 3.9 Poverty and Inequality Strategy

**NOTED** the Poverty and Inequalities Partnership will be holding a workshop to develop the Action Plan, which will be presented to a future Board meeting.

#### 3.10 Regional Transport Strategy

**NOTED** and **AGREED** to support any lobbying activity for funding to Scottish Government.

#### 3.11 South of Scotland Regional Economic Strategy

- 3.11.1 **RECEIVED** a presentation on the South of Scotland Draft Regional Economic Strategy, which outlined the content and highlighted the ambition of the Draft Strategy. The consultation approach was detailed and Community Planning partners were encouraged to participate;
- 3.11.2 **HIGHLIGHTED** that engaging young people and harder-to-reach groups would be assisted by the forthcoming availability of the draft Delivery Plan, as the detail of the Strategy issues would assist with understanding its impact; and
- 3.11.3 **NOTED** the challenges for the Strategy include: women's employment; the disproportionate impact of Covid on people already experiencing inequality; getting young people involved in STEM; and reducing the skills gap.

**ACTION: LEAD OFFICER SOS,RES** 

#### 4. BUSINESS BRIEFING - JUNE 2021

**NOTED** the update and that work was already taking place on a Dumfries and Galloway Population Strategy, with a progress report to be brought to a future Community Planning Executive Group meeting and then to this Board

**ACTION CHIEF EXECUTIVE, DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COUNCIL** 

# 5. COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD – FORWARD PROGRAMME AGREED the scheduling of reports be reviewed to give a balanced agenda for the coming meetings, HIGHLIGHTING that the Climate Emergency update should be submitted to the next meeting to allow partners an opportunity to share their work in relation to COP26 ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER



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**Appendix** 

## Covid Recovery – Top three current priorities for the coming three months; and joint working requirements

#### **Dumfries and Galloway Council**

- Re-opening and Reconnecting. Presently in Level 1; schools, adult day care services and sports and leisure have re-opened while maintaining social distancing requirements to keep people safe; supporting our teams who have never stopped; welcome safe return of visitors; looking at what has worked well and change to deliver
- Supporting Recovery –continue to get vulnerable people the help they need individuals, families and local businesses; Single Access Point valued by 10,000
  people shielding in the region; Hidden Harms; need to reassess our priorities and
  refresh our plans; link in with community wealth building; developing a pipeline of
  projects for potential pipeline of funding
- **Promoting Renewal** a time for reflection and renewal through community conversations; resetting relationships –resilience partnerships; new Government priorities; focus on 'Place' inclusive and local.

#### NHS D&G & H&SCP

- Containment of COVID-19. Test and Protect team deal with current and slightly higher levels. Critical that there is identification of every case and cluster and work to minimise the spread.
- Vaccination programme. Beginning 18-29 year old vaccination next week. D&G on target to meet Scottish Government target of vaccinating every adult who wants vaccinated by end of July. Expect over 50s to be offered booster jabs over autumn currently looking at building the capacity of vaccination team and promotion of annual flu jabs campaign.
- Re-mobilisation of non-Covid services elective activity dropped considerably
  and there is a backlog of less critical surgery. Conscious of harms and effects of
  Pandemic lockdown e.g., mental health harms. Have to ensure those service
  models are shaped to meet the new needs of the post Pandemic world. Important
  to build on lessons learned and innovation introduced during the Pandemic and
  build a model which is more sustainable, resilient and will routinely meet all future
  challenges. Very conscious of fragility and lack of resilience among staff who have
  gone above and beyond during Pandemic.

#### **Police Scotland**

• Public protection Continue to work closely with partners to support our vulnerable people; identify and respond to Covid related hidden harms e.g., reviewing Risk and Concern Hub, participate in the Alcohol and Drugs Partnership; and management of offenders. Restart and reopening of hospitality and events, including football processions and protests in line with Covid regulations in place at time. Continue to work with licensing partners and licence holders to support reopening of hospitality. Working with Local Resilience Partnership(LRP) to ensure there will be no reduction in local operational police services during COP 26.



- Return of tourism and visitors. Support local Visitor Management Group and have representation on the national Visitor Management Steering Group
- **Staff wellbeing**,- very challenging year; looking at health and wellbeing; ;looking at training and development to deliver on priorities, criminal justice system and recovery of court process. . Will review capabilities and specialisms to ensure all officers undertake refresher training and accreditation to respond to need.

#### **Scottish Fire and Rescue Service**

- Operational preparedness to respond to emergencies and aid quick return to normality— more effective when done in partnership with LRP, testing exercises and learning groups to develop a comprehensive programme to look at new and emerging risks resulting from Covid.
- Community safety and engagement Inequalities have started to play a part and financial challenges lead to poor choices by individuals and households. Find new ways to strengthen partner/stakeholder engagement to ensure community and individual safety.
- **Re-opening and restart** support responsible persons with relevant premises to help reopen safely. Conscious of financial challenges and keep a close eye on the high streets, derelict buildings which are potential fire setting risk. Support local economy to build back stronger.

#### South of Scotland Enterprise (SoSE)

- Support private sector recovery majority of companies want to look to the
  future and SoSE helping companies and communities to develop through advice
  and investment, as well as encompassing the new Regional Economic Strategy.
  Challenges are lack of staff due to furlough and Brexit, especially in tourism,
  hospitality and agricultural. Wedding sector slowly getting back to normal
- **Skills development** working with College and other groups across Dumfries and Galloway. Launched Empowering Change paper before the Scottish Parliament Election -- what we need to do about energy to get to net zero over the next 10 years requires a different skills base.
- SoSE only existed in virtual environment trying to meet staff and businesses in person

#### **Third Sector D&G**

- Priority thematic issues Digital Inclusion Employability and Community transport
- Community empowerment: including building a consensus on how to measure social impact
- Promote third sector involvement move to a person-centred procurement model, as recommended by SCVO, that puts the needs of beneficiaries ahead of low costs by public sector bodies; Statutory agencies commit to the involvement of the third sector in the design of services it will be asked to deliver

#### Submissions received after the meeting

#### **Dumfries and Galloway Further and Higher Education Sector**

- Ensuring our students complete their qualifications
- Responding to providing skills as part of the economic recovery
- Funding increased cost pressures.

#### Economic Leadership Group

- Becoming a carbon negative region
- Harnessing the value of the demographic shift
- Creative and cultural industries

#### **SWestrans**

- Flexibility in public transport initiatives. Business within this industry is not going to continue as before, but with new strategies and partnership working, a credible and sustainable outcome will be established. Continue work on the development and delivery of a new sustainable public transport model for the region.
- **Funding** advising Government about the urgent need to protect and maintain the current fragile bus network in rural Scotland. Any reduction in current funding support risks a collapse of services across the region.
- Transition to net zero solutions partnership working with the Council, NHS, Third Sector and the commercial bus sector to deliver necessary travel opportunities for all our residents.

## RESPONSE, RENEWAL AND RECOVERY UPDATE - 10 SEPTEMBER 2021

#### 1. Background

#### Response

- 1.1 Partners continue to respond to the challenges of the Covid Pandemic, and our region's response to increased cases, testing and vaccination continues to be a priority.
- 1.2 As Board members will be aware, over recent weeks our Region has experienced a rapid rise in Covid-19 cases. Implications for the Partnership include increased demand across the system. The rise in cases coincided with the lifting of restrictions and return to school.
- 1.3 At its meeting on 11 June 2021, the Community Planning Partnership Board agreed the Community Planning Partnership Executive Group prepare a Covid-19 Recovery Plan for approval by the Board at its next meeting on 10 September.

#### 2. Key Issues

- 2.1 For a period of time in recent weeks, Dumfries and Galloway had the highest case rate per 100k in Scotland. Whilst infection rates elsewhere in Scotland during the past 2 weeks have rapidly outstripped those locally, the region is still seeing infection rates which are very high and consequent impacts on some services and sectors, most notably the Health & Social Care sector, as such the situation remains a significant concern.
- 2.2 As referenced in 1.2, this increase in cases occurred during the same time period as the majority of legal restrictions were lifted in Scotland and the return to School for our children and young people. This has undoubtedly posed some challenges for Local Partners, however existing frameworks to address these challenges continue to be effective, if under increased pressure.
- 2.3 Individual sectors, particularly the Health & Social Care sector continue to face challenges and partnership activity has continued to help mitigate this. Primary areas of partnership activity in terms of responding to the pandemic are focussed on the following areas;
  - Outbreak / Case management led by NHS Public Health and Test & Protect and H&SCP supported by the Council with involvement from other partners as required
  - COVID Mass Vaccination Programme, led by NHS and supported by the Council and Community Venues
  - Widespread Testing opportunities including National Testing Programmes including fixed and mobile sites, NHS Testing and Council led Asymptomatic Testing again including fixed and mobile sites
  - Support for those needing to Self Isolate / the most vulnerable in our communities through the work of the Single Access Point and the Financial Wellbeing Team within the Council as well as the wider Support DG framework which includes the Council, Third Sector Groups such as TS D&G, Community Food Providers and a range of Community Groups
  - Ongoing Financial and Business supports and advice through the Local Economic Partnership and its constituent partners
  - Ongoing Local Resilience Partnership activity and engagement at Strategic and Tactical levels including Multi Agency Communications to support the activities above

- 2.4 It is clear that ongoing response activity associated with COVID will be required for some time to come and the direct impacts of COVID will continue to affect local Partners and society concurrently with efforts to move forward with Recovery. Scottish Government have recently opened two consultations which have relevance in this regard;
  - A consultation on measure to continue legislative changes which relaxes the requirement for Health Boards to compensate those required to self isolate, replacing it with measures including the SISG and local supports. The consultation runs through to 24 September. The intention is to extend this legislation through to Autumn 2022, with the ability to cut it short or extend it depending on where we are with COVID. Discussions have commenced within the Council in terms of preparing a response to the consultation, given the potential ongoing resource demands on Single Access Team, Financial Wellbeing and the wider Support DG framework which may result.
  - A further Consultation which sets out a range of proposals, including whether some beneficial temporary provisions made under Scottish and UK coronavirus legislation and due to expire in March 2022 should be maintained. This includes measures relevant to Public Health, Criminal Justice, Education and Registrars amongst other. Whilst these measures may indeed prove to be useful tools in responding to longer term COVID disruption or indeed future pandemics, careful consideration of the impacts on Partners will be required with any concerns highlighted to government.
- 2.5 At its meeting on 3 September 2021, the Strategic Local Resilience Partnership discussed the significant pressures NHS services are under at present. There are escalating pressures in terms of maintaining core services and Covid numbers are at a high level. Furthermore, across the Partnership, securing Home Care Packages is increasingly challenging and a multi-agency approach in response is required. These challenges are likely to be exasperated over the winter months. A verbal update will be given at the meeting by Jeff Ace.
- 2.6 A brief verbal update will be given at the meeting on the up-to-date position with regards to the Pandemic; the Community Testing arrangements; and Vaccination programme from Annie Johnson/Mark Thomson of the RRR Team

#### 3. Recommendations

The Board is invited;

3.1 to note and comment on the Response to Covid update report.

Response, Renew and Recovery Team, DGC 27 August 2021

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#### <u>Community Planning Partnership Board – 10 September 2021</u>

#### **Covid-19 Recovery Plan**

- 1. Renewal, Redesign and Recovery
- 1.1 At its meeting on 11 June 2021, the Community Planning Partnership Board agreed the Community Planning Partnership Executive Group prepare a Covid-19 Recovery Plan for approval by the Board at its next meeting on 10 September.
- 1.2 The Community Planning Executive Group has now met on two occasions and a separate meeting was convened with lead officers for all of our foundation strategies and plans. The purpose of the meeting was to undertake a rapid review and challenge of existing strategies and plans to identify those actions which need to be accelerated or introduced, to support Recovery. This is an important step forward in ensuring a shared focus on Recovery, and alignment with national recovery ambitions.
- 1.3 In the preparation of the Covid-19 Recovery Plan it is noted that each of the partners will be advancing their own Covid-19 re-mobilisation plans for their respective organisations. The Covid-19 Recovery Plan is a dynamic document and is intended to reflect actions where the partnership needs to work together and at pace to support recovery (**Appendix**).
- 1.4 Initial proposed early / ongoing actions have been captured within the plan, ensuring place-based and person-centred approaches and it is intended Lead Officers will be allocated to each action. The Recovery Plan is inclusive of foundation partnership strategies and plans to demonstrate the alignment to Recovery Objectives.

## 2. Scottish Government/ Local Government Joint Approach to Covid Recovery

- 2.1 On 27 August CoSLA Leaders considered Covid-19 Recovery. In summary, the joint approach recognises the critical roles of the Scottish Government (SG) and Local Government (LG) in leading our national and shared endeavour of Covid Recovery. With urgent initial focus to address the areas of greatest harm resulting from the pandemic and its impact on people, society, public services and the economy. It is recognised working closely with partners support had been increasingly person-centred.
- 2.2 Innovation and flexibility has been at the centre of our joint response and there is opportunity to strengthen this learning in our approach to recovery. Achieving this shared vision will require more than efforts of local and national government, wider collaboration and partnership is essential.
- 2.3 Four Key Priorities for Covid-19 Recovery and outline specific commitments on joint working in these areas, with person centred services

underpinning the priorities:

- Public Services Recovery, Redesign and Renewal
- Good green jobs and fair work
- Financial security for low-income households
- Wellbeing of Children and Young People
- 2.4 This work links back to the <u>National Performance Framework</u> the pandemic has had a significant and wide-ranging impact across the National Outcomes and our work on recovery will reflect this.

#### 2.5 Principles

- Outcome-focused the primary purpose of the joint approach is to develop, maintain and deliver a coherent focus on Covid Recovery priorities to achieve improved outcomes
- **Person-centred** inclusive, preventative and focused on those in greatest need in the context of Covid Recovery
- Empowering and collaborative building on the shared experience of
  collaborating with a purpose during the pandemic, ensuring individuals and
  communities are supported to participate and actively involved in all
  recovery activity, including the groups most affected by the pandemic –
  women, disabled people, young people, older people, minority ethnic
  communities so as to tackle systemic inequalities.
- Agile and flexible our Covid Recovery approach must build the capacity
  of the 'system' in order to respond to specific needs, to flex around
  differential needs for specific communities and places, and to react to
  change and unexpected events. Innovation and partnership working including further empowering of frontline teams is to be encouraged and
  developing and sharing best practice will be essential.
- Robust, place-based data-driven and evidence-based Action on Covid recovery will be informed by local and regional differences, while reflecting joint recovery priorities and shared evidence. Interim outcomes and an evaluation framework will be developed in partnership. Mechanisms will be put in place to share good practice, learning and evaluation, ensuring that local learning influences national approaches and vice versa.
- Children and Young People in line with Article 12 of the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child, we will ensure the voice of children and young people is at the heart of our work on Covid recovery.

#### 3. Recommendations

The Board is invited:

- 3.1 to note and comment progress of the COVID Recovery Plan to date;
- 3.2 to agree the Covid-19 Recovery Plan as set out in paragraph 1.3 and the Appendix, and
- 3.3 to consider nominations for lead officer to deliver early actions.



## 'Refocusing our Recovery'

Covid Recovery Plan
As at 1 September 2021

### Item 2 Appendix

Recovery Objective  1. EDUCATION AND EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES ARE MAXIMISED					
Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions	
<ul> <li>Positive         Destinations         challenge</li> <li>Kick start vacancies         are matched with         Job Vacancies</li> <li>Hidden Harms:         Harm 2: Support         broader health,         protecting our health         and social care         services, and your         health and wellbeing</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Employability and Skills Action Plan</li> <li>DGC Economic Recovery Plan</li> <li>Children's Services Plan</li> <li>Community Learning and Development Partners Strategic Plan</li> <li>Health and Social Care Strategic Plan</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Embed a Children's Rights based approach,</li> <li>Positive destinations for our young people – including care experienced young people.</li> <li>Fair Work practices and creating a diverse range of opportunities for young people and those facing barriers in accessing the labour market.</li> <li>YPG five asks of employers</li> <li>Third Sector and Public Sector volunteering opportunities and work experiences pathways</li> <li>Resuming accredited award activity for our young people and adults</li> <li>Pre employability pipeline - supported by Third Sector</li> <li>Ensure workforce/ learning needs to our staff are being met (i.e. digital, trauma informed approaches, health &amp; wellbeing, community engagement)</li> <li>Community Wealth Building – start with public sector procurement.</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Building our third sector capability and capacity</li> <li>Public Sector leadership role</li> <li>Local Employability &amp; Skills Partnership developing a collaborative regional action plan.</li> <li>More joined up support for care experienced young people, family and learning support</li> </ul>	Proposed Early Actions  1.1 Consideration of options to improve candidate understanding and preparedness of employer expectations  1.2 Concerted effort to keep contact with our school leavers and improve their destinations  1.3 Development of a system-wide approach to recruitment, across D&G starting with health and social care.  1.4 Building on the Summer programme delivered for Children and Young People across the Region. Develop a comprehensive Plan for the promotion of Young People and children's Health and Wellbeing. Embed Counselling in schools and review CAMHS working across agencies	

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. tereouering our recove		<ul><li>10. Health and Social Care sector employment opportunities.</li><li>11. Promote Public and Third Sector bodies as Anchor organisations for fair employment, procurement</li></ul>		Ongoing Actions 1.5 Kick Start Programme 1.6 Young People Guarantee 1.7 Graduate Programme DGC
Recovery Objective 2. TOWN CENTRES AR	E RESTARTED			
Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions
<ul> <li>Support for business restarts</li> <li>Support for enforcement of current regulations</li> <li>Dealing with complaints about breaches of Covid regulations</li> <li>Visitor management</li> <li>Hidden Harms: Harm 4: Support the economy, protecting against the devastating impact for business</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>South of Scotland Draft Regional Economic Strategy (SOSRES)</li> <li>DGC Economic Recovery Plan</li> <li>Borderlands Place Programme</li> <li>DGC Renewal and</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Development of community led Local Place Plans</li> <li>Development of Master Plans</li> <li>Review of Community Housing Register with partners</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Co-ordinate partners activities in the locality hubs and through lead officers of initiatives and projects</li> <li>Use intelligence from complaints and visitor management arrangements to inform deployment of support/ infrastructure design</li> </ul>	Proposed Early Actions 2.1 Development of Community led Local Place Plans  Ongoing Actions Visitor Management

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Recovery Objective
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Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions
<ul> <li>Mental health</li> <li>Domestic violence</li> <li>Drug addiction and the impacts on children</li> <li>Drug related deaths</li> <li>Hidden Harms:         <ul> <li>Harm 1: Suppress the virus, protecting against the direct and tragic harm to your health.</li> </ul> </li> <li>Harm 2: Support broader health, protecting our health and social care services, and your health and wellbeing.</li> <li>Harm 3: Mitigate social harms, protecting against broader harms to your way of life.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Poverty and Inequality Strategy</li> <li>DAVAW Strategy Action Plan</li> <li>Children's Services Plan</li> <li>Local Child Poverty Action Report</li> <li>Community Justice Improvement Plan</li> <li>ADP Strategy and Action Plan</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Children's health and wellbeing</li> <li>Increasing support for Domestic violence</li> <li>Increasing support for mental health</li> <li>Support partners locally and nationally to reduce the use of remand. This will also require engagement with local judiciary</li> <li>Trauma Support</li> <li>Housing models are fit for purpose and local needs</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Poverty and Inequality Action Plan in development</li> <li>Community Justice</li> <li>Encourage reduced use of remand.</li> <li>Encourage the increased use of bail support and supervision through highlighting the benefits of this approach</li> <li>Support and improve models for diversion through collaborative working.</li> <li>Support the Increased use of alternatives to prosecution.</li> <li>Empower those with lived experience and service users to collaborate more effectively and shape future services</li> <li>Maximise the help and involvement of the Third Sector.</li> </ul>	Proposed Early Action  3.1 Building on the Summer programme delivered for Children and Young People across the Region. Develop a comprehensive Plan for the promotion of Young People and children's Health and Wellbeing. Embed Counselling in schools and review CAMHS working across agencies  3.2 Initiate review of services and support within addiction services to ensure alignment to Public Health Scotland's Medication Assisted Treatment Standards.  Ongoing Actions  3.3 Promote and support the new Housing First model in Dumfries and Galloway  3.4 Raise awareness of trauma and its impact.  3.5 Support the development of the new Diversionary and Non-

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				Custodial Team within Justice Social Work  3.6 Service user consultation underway with those using justice services.  3.7 Development of Peer Support Service for people with lived experience of justice currently under consideration
Recovery Objective 4. COMMUNITY HEALT	H MODEL IS DEVELOPED			
Description – Key	Actions already in	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/	Proposed Early Actions/
Partnership Issues/	place in Strategies/		Redesign	Ongoing Actions
Challenge	Plans			
<ul> <li>98% occupancy of DGRI – winter level in summer period</li> <li>Demand for elective procedures</li> <li>Personal and community resilience</li> <li>Hidden Harms:         <ul> <li>Harm 1: Suppress the virus, protecting against the direct and tragic harm to your health.</li> <li>Harm 2: Support</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Vaccination         Programme beyond         Phase 3</li> <li>Community Testing         Programme</li> <li>Health and Social         Care Strategic Plan</li> <li>20 Minute         Neighbourhoods</li> <li>H&amp;SCP – Home         Teams model</li> <li>NHSD&amp;G - New         Public Health         Governance         Committee</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Tailoring Health &amp; Wellbeing supports to those who need them most</li> <li>System flow and creating capacity</li> <li>Community Support Model developed on partnership basis</li> <li>Home teams being developed</li> <li>Recruitment to Social Care careers</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Community led local Place Plans</li> <li>Addiction support – Early intervention/ prevention</li> <li>including improving awareness of activities that are available to communities (one stop shop/single place).</li> <li>Whole Systems Approach (WSA) Test of Change of Physical activity restarted</li> </ul>	Proposed Early Actions  4.1 Sustained focus on Delayed Discharges  4.2 Early Establishment of Home teams – identify the next steps required and build on the Council's investment in Single Access Point  4.3 Development of a systematic and system- wide approach to recruitment, across D&G starting with health and social care.

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health and social care services, and your health and wellbeing Harm 3: Mitigate social harms, protecting against broader harms to your way of life.				
Enabling Recovery Object  5. PEOPLE ARE CONN				
Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions
<ul> <li>Digital equipment</li> <li>Broadband connection</li> <li>Digital skills</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Digital Participation Charter:</li> <li>DAGCOL - Digital Skills Hub in place</li> <li>Partners' digital strategies</li> <li>CLD Partners Strategic Plan</li> <li>Borderlands Digital Programme</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Those who need it most have access to a device/broadband, etc.</li> <li>Digital training and upskilling for our communities</li> <li>Digital training and upskilling for our workforces.</li> <li>Broadband coverage</li> </ol>	<ul> <li>Increase in partners signed up to the Charter</li> <li>Develop Digital Skills Hub to fulfil original vision/funding award</li> <li>TSD&amp;G - Digital Skills research</li> </ul>	Proposed Early Action  5.1 Identify measures and steps to promote Digital Inclusion
Enabling Recovery Objective  6. PEOPLE ARE CONNECTED PHYSICALLY				
Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/ Plans	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions
Public and community transport networks	DGC - 20 minute neighbourhoods; Transformation project transport	Local bus provision in our region     Reduce carbon emissions of fleet	New sustainable transport delivery model to be developed	Early consideration of how to reflect the principles of 20 minute Neighbourhoods whilst recognising the

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in place
 20 minute
 neighbourhoods
 concept – walking
 and cycling are
 promoted

Hidden Harms:
 Harm 2: Support broader health, protecting our health and social care services, and your health and wellbeing.

Harm 4: Support the economy, protecting against the devastating impact for business. SWestrans –
 Regional Transport
 Strategy is in
 development

• Active Travel Strategy

TSD&G – PSP Community Transport

 Links to Climate Change Targets  New community transport model in Dumfries and Galloway

4. Reference to any carbon zero actions by 2026

and delivered by April 2024

 Business case for DGC internal bus fleet to become a PSV Operator

 Identify, coordinate, align and increase investment in both the SWestrans bus fleet and DGC's general fleet.

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 Neighbourhoods

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significant geographic challenges in Dumfries and Galloway

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#### 7. VOLUNTEERING IS EMBEDDED ACROSS THE REGION

Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions
<ul> <li>Opportunities are available from a range of partners</li> <li>Co-ordination of volunteer offers</li> <li>Support for volunteers         Recognition and     </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>DGC Council Plan -         Investing in         Volunteering</li> <li>NHSD&amp;G Plan</li> <li>TSD&amp;G Business         Plan and         Volunteering Strategy</li> <li>CLD Partners'         Strategic Plan</li> </ul>	Build on strong community and personal resilience during Covid Pandemic     Capitalise on trust and shared respect between public bodies and communities	<ul> <li>More consistency in volunteer offer across partners</li> <li>Peer to peer learning</li> <li>Volunteering - Third Sector Dumfries &amp; Galloway (tsdg.org.uk)</li> </ul>	

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rewards are in				
place Enabling Recovery Object 8. OUR COMMUNITIES				
Description – Key Partnership Issues/ Challenge	Actions already in place in Strategies/	Emerging Priorities	Opportunities for Renewal/ Redesign	Proposed Early Actions/ Ongoing Actions
<ul> <li>Civic pride is encouraged and supported</li> <li>Community led planning</li> <li>Empowerment is supported</li> <li>Hidden Harms:         <ul> <li>Harm 2: Support broader health, protecting our health and social care services, and your health and wellbeing - Potentially</li> </ul> </li> <li>Harm 4: Support the economy, protecting against the devastating impact for business.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>DGC –Council Plan and Area Committee funding</li> <li>All public sector partners –         Community Asset Transfer and Participation Requests</li> <li>City status and City of Culture entries</li> <li>CLD Partners Strategic Plan</li> <li>TSD&amp;G Business Plan</li> <li>SoS Regional Economic Strategy</li> <li>Local Development Plan 2</li> <li>Development of Local Place Plans</li> </ul>	<ol> <li>Consider Position Statement in relation to Hidden Harm 2</li> <li>Consider Position Statement in relation to Hidden Harm 4</li> <li>Continue to build on Locality Hubs model</li> <li>Partners to respond quickly to emerging need/ ideas which will help communities to recover.</li> <li>Being able to take forward ideas being suggested by local groups/organisation to help respond to the Climate Change agenda.</li> </ol>	Community led Place Plans and Locality Planning	8.1 Build and extend Community led – Place based planning and funding

### Existing Strategies and Plans as of 1 September 2021

LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN					
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions		
CPP Board- November 2021  The LOIP is due to be formally reviewed with stakeholders in 2022 – the mid-way point and after the Council Elections in May	The Annual Report for 2020/21 is in development; and the report to the Exec Group in October, then Board in November will include any officer recommendations for changes to the eight Outcomes, to reflect Covid research relating to inequalities	Deepening inequalities for the identified groups in the LOIP experiencing inequalities – particularly minority protected characteristics of age, disability, sex, gender reassignment, sexual orientation, race, religion or belief; and veterans, and unemployed people;			
LOCALITY PLAN ON FOOD SHAI	RING				
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions		
CPP Board- November 2021  The Locality Plan is due to be formally reviewed with stakeholders in 2022 – the midway point and after the Council Elections in May	The Annual Report for 2020/21 is in development; and the report to the Exec Group in October then Board in November will include any officer recommendations for changes to the four Outcomes to reflect Covid research relating to food inequalities	<ol> <li>Deepening inequalities</li> <li>Organisational networking consolidated during Covid Pandemic and Lockdowns</li> <li>Advances in dignified food provision – free school meals direct payments</li> </ol>			

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CHILDREN'S SERVICES PLAN					
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions		
DGC and NHSD&G – endorsed by CPP Board  Under active review Agreed 2020 Next update 2023 Annual Report – September 2021	the partnership continues to reflect on the relevance of existing priorities, aims and actions. As part of the annual reporting cycle the impact of the pandemic will be considered along with other emerging issues and developments, and any changes highlighted	<ol> <li>Continued remobilisation of the services.</li> <li>Health and Wellbeing of the workforce.</li> <li>Embed a Children's Rights based approach</li> <li>Maximise the help and involvement of the Third Sector.</li> <li>Positive destinations for our young people – including care experienced young people.</li> <li>Impact on Children's attainment</li> </ol>			
COVID RECOVERY PLAN					
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions		
Agreed in September 2020 and due to be updated in September 2021	In development – CPEG taking a lead role. Analysis of partners Covid Recovery Plans completed; and national research being reflected in the emerging Objectives and Actions.	Four objectives identified and four enabling objectives identified.	1.		

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LOCAL CHILD POVERTY ACTION REPORT					
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions		
DGC and NHSD&G – endorsed by CPP Board and IJB  Annual report requirement due end September 2021  COMMUNITY JUSTICE IMPROVE	The Annual Report for 2020/21 is currently in development and the impact of Covid will be reflected in the progress being reported and the Action Plan for 2021	<ol> <li>Children's Health and Wellbeing</li> <li>Drug addiction and the impacts on Children</li> <li>Domestic Abuse</li> <li>Six key risk groups – local data requirement</li> </ol>			
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions		
DGC and endorsed by CPP Board  The 3 year Improvement Plan is due to be reported in March 2022.	July – October 2021 Research/SNSA	<ol> <li>Support partners locally and nationally to reduce the use of remand. This will also require engagement with local judiciary.</li> <li>Encourage the increased use of bail support and supervision through highlighting the benefits of this approach.</li> <li>Support and improve models for diversion through collaborative working.</li> <li>Support the increased use of alternatives to prosecution. Highlight the positive impact of this approach and support development of robust community approaches.</li> <li>Support and raise awareness of national work to reduce recall to prison.</li> </ol>			

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	Youth Council Workshop     – potential	<ul> <li>6. Continue to raise awareness and impact of trauma. Support local Trauma Champions within Council and Health.</li> <li>7. Promote and support Housing First model in Dumfries and Galloway.</li> <li>8. Empower those with lived experience and service users to collaborate more effectively and shape future services</li> </ul>	
COMMUNITY LEARNING AND D	EVELOPMENT (CLD) PARTNI	ERS' STRATEGIC PLAN	
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions
DGC – Communities Committee; and endorsed by CPP Board	The CLD Partnership has reviewed the feedback from a 6 week consultation period and is using this information to develop a more specific one year action plan which will support the overarching 3 year plan.  Covid issues have been highlighted during the consultation sessions with stakeholders.	Key Themes: 1. Community recovery and Renewal Eliminate digital exclusion 2. Health & Wellbeing 3. Tackling Inequalities 4. Climate Change 5. Children & Young People	The new Strategic Plan will be presented to Communities Committee in October  Key initial Short-Term Actions:  1. Digital skills for staff and communities 2. Access to digital devices/broadband for those who need them most 3. Resuming accredited award activity for our young people and adults 4. Streamlining processes for community groups and organisations to aid recovery

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			<ol> <li>Tailoring Health &amp; Wellbeing supports to those who need them most</li> <li>Targeted pre-employability pipeline support through CLD partners</li> <li>Partners are responding quickly to key issues/ideas which will help communities to recover</li> <li>Partners are working with communities to take forward ideas and suggestions to help respond positively to Climate Change.</li> <li>Ensure the workforce/learning needs of our staff and practitioners are being met</li> </ol>
EMPLOYABILITY AND SKILLS P	LAN		
Planned Revision Date and decision-making body	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions
DGC – Economy and Resources Committee; and endorsed by CPP Board	Action Plan in development to include impact of Covid	<ol> <li>Job Creation and Fair Work</li> <li>Public Sector leadership role in our support to young people</li> <li>Public Sector Leadership role in our support to people who are long term unemployed, in precarious work and in work and in poverty</li> </ol>	

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Planned Revision Date and	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions
decision-making body			
DGC, NHSD&G and IJB - and	Stakeholder Engagement	<ol> <li>System flow and creating</li> </ol>	
endorsed by CPP Board	ongoing; extensive data	capacity	
	through the Strategic Needs	<ol><li>Community Support Model</li></ol>	
Due to be agreed in April 2022	Assessment available	3. Addiction support – Early	
		intervention/ prevention	
		4. Home teams	
		5. Recruitment to Social Care	
LOCAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2			
Planned Revision Date and	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions
decision-making body			
DGC – Full Council	In development	Development of Local Place	
		Plans	
Awaiting updated Planning Act		2. Development of Master Plan	
Guidance for LDP 3		3. Town Centre Regeneration	
		activity and Planning	
LOCAL HOUSING STRATEGY			
Planned Revision Date and	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions
decision-making body			
DGC – Economy and Resources		1. Review of Community Housing	
Committee; and endorsed by		register	
CPP Board		2. Community led Housing	
		Projects	
		,	
Submission to Scottish			1
Submission to Scottish Government by October 2021			

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POVERTY AND INEQUALITIES STRATEGY				
Planned Revision Date and	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions	
decision-making body				
CPP Board	Strategy recently agreed - in	Three emerging sub groups reflect	<ul> <li>Action Plan to CPPB in</li> </ul>	
	March 2021 - and included	key issues:	September 2021	
Action Plan to CPPB in	research and impact of	<ul> <li>Severe and persistent poverty</li> </ul>		
September 2021	Covid including Social	and destitution/ building		
	Renewal Advisory Board	individual and community		
	Report; and Scottish	resilience to poverty		
	Government Report on	Maximising Income/dealing with		
	impact of Covid on public	Debt"		
	sector equality duty	Reducing financial pressures on		
	Action Plan in development	people facing poverty		
	and reflecting further Covid			
	research, including from the			
	Poverty Alliance			
<b>REGIONAL TRANSPORT STRAT</b>	EGY			
Planned Revision Date and	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions	
decision-making body				
SWestrans Board, DGC and	In development	<ol> <li>Reduce carbon emissions of</li> </ol>		
endorsed by the CPP Board		Fleet		
		2. Redesign new public transport		
Scheduled for agreement in 2022		model		
SOUTH OF SCOTLAND REGIONAL ECONOMIC STRATEGY				
Planned Revision Date and	Status	Emerging Priorities	Early/ Ongoing Actions	
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decision-making body				
decision-making body DGG, SBC and SOSE and	In development	Promote DGC as anchor		
decision-making body DGG, SBC and SOSE and endorsed by the CPP Board	In development	Promote DGC as anchor organisation for fair		
DGG, SBC and SOSE and	In development Stakeholder consultation			
DGG, SBC and SOSE and		organisation for fair		
DGG, SBC and SOSE and endorsed by the CPP Board	Stakeholder consultation	organisation for fair employment, procurement		

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	Feedback and data	
	reflecting impact of Covid	
	Developing a Delivery Plan for first 3 years.	

#### **Hidden Harms**

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Harm 2: Support broader health, protecting our health and social care services, and your health and wellbeing.

Harm 3: Mitigate social harms, protecting against broader harms to your way of life.

Harm 4: Support the economy, protecting against the devastating impact for business.

#### **Glossary**


CPPB Community Planning Partnership Board

CPEG Community Planning Executive Group

DGC Dumfries and Galloway Council

ELG Economic Leadership Group

HSCP Health and Social Care Partnership

LESP Local Employability and Skills Partnership

NHSD&G National Health Service Dumfries and Galloway

PS Police Scotland

RRR Response, Renew and Recovery Team, Dumfries and Galloway Council

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SFRS Scottish Fire and Rescue Service

SOSE South of Scotland Enterprise

TSD&G Third Sector interface Dumfries and Galloway



#### **COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD – 10 September 2021**

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Report Title: Scotland's Digital Participation Charter and Digital Collaboration in Dumfries & Galloway

#### 1. Situation:

- 1.1. The Community Planning Executive Group considered a report at its July meeting on Scotland's Digital Participation Charter and Digital Collaboration in Dumfries and Galloway and:
  - NOTED that there is a potential gap in the co-ordination of strategic digital activity across Community Planning partners;
  - DISCUSSED the best approach to bring partners closer together to tackle digital
    exclusion and maximise digital opportunities and AGREED to approach the College
    to become the lead agency in developing a coordinated approach, given its lead
    role and SOSE funding allocation for the Digital Skills Hub; and
  - AGREED all Community Planning partners represented on the CPP Board be involved to sign up to the Digital Charter.
- 1.2 Dumfries and Galloway College are leading on the development of a new Digital Skills Hub in partnership with Borders College and there are significant and exciting opportunities emerging from this work which will benefit our communities, local groups and organisations and Community Planning Partners. "The hub will provide upskilling and retraining support, allowing people to develop digital skills that will open up new pathways to prosperity." The College are currently looking for local partners, groups and organisations to get involved and engage on the following:
  - Identify future workforce design opportunities
  - Identify skills gaps
  - Identify funding requirements and opportunities
  - Help match training opportunities to fill skills gaps
  - Help get the hub off the ground and collaborate to make it a success
- 1.3 Digitally enabled citizens are key to making this work and the College have recently developed plans to progress this and which will include:
  - A digital skills survey to ascertain where people are at with their digital skills, so that we can develop and provide interventions / provision to meet their needs.
  - A Digital Champions programme will be established in which college students and S6 students at schools will be trained to act as volunteer tutors for older people and other digitally-excluded groups living in the region. This outreach activity will take place on site at the College or within schools. The activity will concentrate on

helping individuals develop essential digital skills, e.g., filling in online forms, shopping online, using email etc.

Further detail on the hub is attached as **Appendix 1**.

#### 2. Background:

#### Scotland's Digital Participation Charter (SDPC)

2.1 Scotland's Digital Participation Charter is operated by the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations (SCVO) with support from Scottish Government. By signing up to the charter organisations from public, private and the third sector automatically commit to 5 key pledges:

Skill up	We will ensure that our staff and volunteers have the opportunity to develop essential digital skills.
Support staff	We support our staff and volunteers to help others learn essential digital skills and embrace digital tools.
Support Scotland	We support our nation by contributing resources and practical support for Scotland in whatever ways we can.
The essentials	We support a common language based on digital participation and essential digital skills to make our thinking and actions as clear as possible.
Come together	We channel our efforts through the Digital Participation programme so that our activities are co-ordinated and build upon each other.

- 2.2 The SDPC website provides access to a range of digital resources, case studies, funding and essential digital skills checklists (foundation, life and work).
- 2.3 Within Dumfries & Galloway the following partners are already signed up to the Charter:
  - Dumfries and Galloway Council (3 years)
  - Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway (3 years)
  - The Hub Dumfries and Galloway (6 years)
  - DGHP (3 years)
  - Loreburn Housing Itd (3 years)
- 2.4 **Appendix 2** details the digital commitments made by each of the five organisations who have signed up to the charter.

#### 3. Key issues:

- 3.1 D&G College have been approached about potentially becoming the lead strategic agency for digital collaboration across the region and are open to considering this, however would like to explore further with partners what this might look like, including any resource implications which may affect capacity. Some initial key areas which would benefit from a strategic approach being taken are detailed as follows:
  - Bringing together partners to understand and help address the digital gap across Dumfries & Galloway;

- Make best use of expertise and resource across CP Partners to help avoid duplication;
- Ensure all partners are cited and engaged with on key digital investments within the region;
- Investigating potential to have a single place for cross partner workforces to access digital skills training/support;
- Mapping out and supporting digital skills provision across the region supported by local groups and organisations;
- Exploring synergies across respective partners' Digital Plans and Strategies.

#### Scotland's Digital Participation Charter (SDPC)

- 3.2 Involvement in Scotland's Digital Participation Charter has been growing across the Country for many years. This presents an additional and renewed opportunity through individual Community Planning Partners to sign up the charter and make a commitment to digital as agreed at the July CPEG.
- 3.3 SCVO are currently reviewing the charter and are keen to hear from existing signatories on the how the 5 pledges align to existing workstreams and if there are any areas that need update to reflect this. survey.

#### 4. Recommendations:

The Community Planning Partnership Board is invited to:

- 4.1 agree that organisations represented on the Community Planning Partnership Board should make a commitment to Scotland's Digital Participation Charter;
- 4.2 agree that the College explore the potential digital collaboration opportunities outlined at 3.1 further with CP partners; and
- 4.3 note the opportunities linked to the Digital Skills Hub as highlighted by D&G College Principal Joanna Campbell and take on board comments and suggestions made by Community Planning Partners.

#### 1.9.21

#### Appendices (2):

- (1) Detail on the Digital Skills Hub
- (2) Partners' previous year's commitment to Scotland's Digital Participation Charter

#### **APPENDIX 1 - Digital Skills Hub**

The Digital Skills Hub was promoted in June 2021, which gave the Colleges the opportunity to introduce the region and its partners to the Hub. The Hub is now preparing to offer its first, three principal programmes of work. The first involves educators, in the form of a Digital Mentoring Programme. From September 2021 teachers and college lecturers across the region will be provided with the opportunity to be linked to a digital technology professional or a computing lecturer for 12 months. The programme's aim is to weave digital activities more extensively throughout the curriculum, thereby enhancing educators' confidence and young people's digital skills. The Hub will also be running a number of employer events in the autumn, which will illustrate how digital transformation has enabled and empowered traditional, rural businesses. These online events will be free and open to businesses across the region. They will be promoted through the Colleges and Hub partners from September 2021. And finally, the Hub will map the region's learning provision in the areas of Computing, Cyber Security and Land based studies, so that gaps in provision can be identified and rectified. This mapping work will involve looking at curriculum provision within the region's schools and Colleges, will take place during this academic year and will result in more young people and individuals being able to take up local post-school educational opportunities and local employment.

It is also worth noting that the Hub is in the process of submitting a bid for the Digital Start Fund. This will enable individuals, who are at risk of losing their jobs or want to career change, from across Scotland to attain the CISCO IT Essentials SCQF Level 6 programme covering Cyber Security Skills qualification so that they can progress into work within digital technology roles.

In terms of how regional partners can support the work of the Hub. They can promote the employer events to businesses across the region and they can help to ensure that educators in the region's schools are aware of the opportunities on offer.

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#### Partners' previous year's commitment to Scotland's Digital Participation Charter

#### **Dumfries and Galloway Council**

- Complete a full digital skills survey of our workforce
- Maximise the use of digital technologies within Secondary Schools and Colleges
- Implement a digital champions programme
- Develop new digital programmes in partnership with the Third Sector to ensure our most vulnerable and hard to reach receive digital support

#### Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway

- Run websites and digital communications between our partners
- Create a communications strategy which will allow us to engagement with all our stakeholders
- Use the internet effectively to create as much online interaction as possible

#### **Loreburn Housing Ltd**

 Our commitment is to enable our customers to become digitally inclusive. We have set up an internet café in one of our offices to offer access to customers who otherwise would be excluded. We are commitment to enhancing access to digital services for all our customers.

#### **Dumfries & Galloway Housing Partnership**

- DGHP is at the start of a huge transformation journey. Essentially, we want to make sure our teams can spend more of their time with our customers. Our transformation programme centres on technology and digital services enabling our ambitions to become the best social landlord in Scotland. Our vision to deliver an effortless and consistent service to customers, regardless of channel, all day every day.
- Using the Barclay's digital eagle model, we will support our team of 200 colleagues
  to become ambassadors for digital to support our tenants across Dumfries &
  Galloway. Our communities team currently delivers a strong offering, in partnership
  with the local authority, to help our tenants get online.

#### The Hub Dumfries & Galloway

- To continue providing our Getting Connected programme albeit with a different delivery model due to Covid-19
- We offer one to one person centred support in using computers and the internet for those people without access to computers/internet. We particularly focus on supporting those who need to use computers/internet to make benefit applications, maintain e-journals, identify and apply for jobs online and create and upload CV's. We offer an additional short learning programme that covers all aspects of the digital skills learning framework in using computers/internet in daily life activities.

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#### 10 September 2021

#### **Community Planning Partnership Board**

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#### **DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY COUNCIL'S - CLIMATE EMERGENCY DECLARATION UPDATE**

#### 1.Background

- 1.1 Dumfries and Galloway Council's Climate Emergency Declaration (June 2019) created a starting point to focus the activity of the Council in tackling this policy area. The adoption of the new Strategic Priority and Commitments in September 2020 and the Route map to net zero adopted January 2021 provide a further framework for council activities to support efforts to respond to the climate emergency.
- 1.2. The council commissioned consultants to support the collation and interpretation of the regions CO2e emissions and is currently in the process of recommissioning the work for collating the next years baseline. The consultants will utilise the methodology and datasets from the department for Business Energy and Industrial Strategy (BEIS) and the most up to date figures available which related to 2019. The rationale behind the decision focused on the ability to collate data that could be used to benchmark and assess our regions emissions with other local authorities. As such key assumptions to collate the baseline data are:
  - Greenhouse gas protocol methodologies for consistency with other local authorities
  - Covers GHG emissions and carbon removals
  - Application of UK government carbon conversion factors
  - UK average electricity emission factor

Through establishing the annual baseline emissions, we can start to identify trend analysis in the emissions and create more focused priorities surrounding the council's reduction assumptions, Appendix 1.

- 1.3 The information provided at the March Community Planning Partnership board identified that in 2018 emissions for the region of CO2e, 3,463 kt CO2e. With the Council having control of its direct emissions which account for 0.7% of the region's total emissions. Emphasising the necessity to look at collaborative approaches to carbon reduction across the region, involving the Public, Private, Community and Third sectors.
- 1.4 The Council commissioned it's consultants to model carbon trajectories (across the different sectors outlined in Figure 1) to provide an evidence base for the Strategic Plan, from our current position (Business as Usual) towards net zero. This has involved estimation of the impact of national and local actions to reduce carbon emissions across a 10-year time horizon, taking account of current activity and considering what could be possible through an ambitious mix of carbon reduction actions taken across Dumfries and Galloway.



1.5 Figure 1 below shows the model trajectories of carbon emissions for the Dumfries and Galloway region to 2030, indicating potential net carbon emissions (dotted line) across key emission sources, assuming significant action is taken to reduce emissions. The red line shows the business as usual (BAU) assumed emissions if further action is not taken.

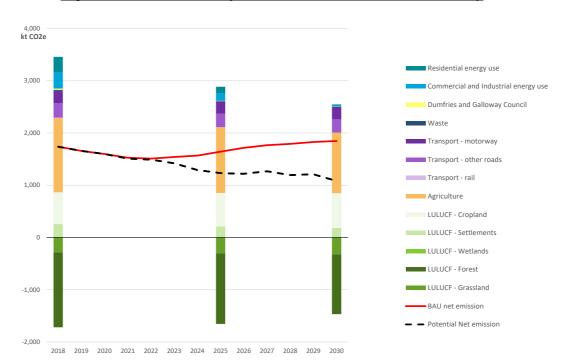
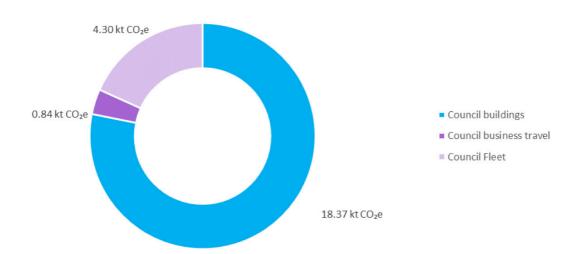


Figure 1 – Emission Trajectories for Dumfries and Galloway

- 1.6 Early discussions with the consultants looking at the 2019 figures have outlined an area of concern that will need to be addressed, this relates to the data published recently by BEIS on the land use emissions which have changed significantly for cropland and grassland in 2018 (updated methods) making the net emissions sink significantly smaller. It was previously -853 kt CO2 in 2018 and in the latest dataset from BEIS the 2018 figure is -339 kt CO2. Grassland was a sink but is now a net source. As a result, this will impact on the sequestration within the region and the overall CO2e emissions.
- 1.7 Table 1 below highlights the split in Council emissions that have been calculated to be 24 kt CO2e, 0.7% of the total area wide emissions. The Council buildings emissions includes electricity use and fuels for heating (gas, oil and biomass). The fleet fuel use includes both road vehicles and off-road machinery. Business travel includes car use, taxis and public transport journeys. The council generated 1.3 GWh electricity from solar PV installations in 2018 compared to sourcing 31.3 GWh from the electricity grid.

Table 1 - Dumfries and Galloway council own estate emissions baseline, 2018/19



1.8 Through the established Officers Working group within the council we have seen a range of activities taking place to embed carbon reduction in our operational activities, these include but are not limited too.

#### Housing

Energy Efficient Scotland: Area Based Scheme
The 11 June 2019 meeting of Communities Committee noted the funding
allocation of £1,938,227 for the region and agreed the 2019/20 projects for the
Dumfries and Galloway Council ABS. A summary of the outcomes delivered
locally are set out below:

- o 209 homes in the private sector received solid wall insulation (SWI).
- Of these, 189 properties were owner occupied and 20 were privately rented.
- These measures will save over 8,200t of carbon in their lifetime and £1.9m fuel bill savings for local residents.

#### Strategic Housing Investment Plan

The Council's Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) aims to support the delivery of the Climate Emergency Strategic Plan in a number of ways including through the creation of new energy efficient affordable homes and prioritisation of development locations that bring back into use brownfield sites. The annual review of the SHIP is currently underway ahead of presentation to the Economy and Resources Committee meeting on the 14 September 2021. Dumfries and Galloway Council have been allocated over £106 million capital funding from the Affordable Housing Supply Programme over the next 5 years.

#### Community led housing

The Council has provided strategic support to the development of Scotland's first community owned Passivhaus certified homes in Closeburn, delivered by the Nith Valley Leaf Trust (NVLT) in partnership with South of Scotland Community

Housing (SOSCH). NVLT are a Community Development Trust whose objective is to help sustain and grow local population, support local services and address climate change. Having identified a gap-site in the village in the ownership of Dumfries and Galloway Council, the group secured ownership of the land via Community Asset Transfer. Levels of fuel poverty in Upper Nithsdale are some of the highest in Dumfries and Galloway, with no access to mains gas and traditional stone properties being reliant upon solid fuel, electric storage heating or other inefficient heating sources. The successful delivery of this project will form a benchmark for future community led housing developments in Dumfries and Galloway. The Scottish Government has committed to invest up to £30 million to deliver affordable homes in rural and island communities over the next 5 years.

#### Natural Capital

The Council is working with agricultural and marine sectors to tackle climate change mitigation and adaptation and increasing carbon sequestration and biodiversity gain with economic benefits. Through gathering real time data and baseline natural capital information for the region and looking at how this is measured and valued.

The Council in partnership with Scottish Borders Council and South of Scotland Enterprise have been awarded pilot status to develop a Regional Land Use Partnership for the region (South of Scotland) to positively influence land use change going forward. One of the main drivers behind the pilot scheme is the ability to look at tacking carbon emissions and climate change through land management activities.

#### Education

The Education and Learning Directorate has established a Learning for Sustainability Network that will collectively support the delivery and promotion of Learning for Sustainability across Dumfries & Galloway. Climate and Net Zero featured as a key topic at the learning for sustainability conference which was recently delivered locally.

#### Transport

Work is continuing on the drive to electrify the council's fleet, focus has been on the small and light goods vehicles initially and the associated charging network required across council owned sites, recent notable introductions include the first zero emission waste vehicles being used in Dumfries as part of the new waste collection scheme.

#### Waste

Dumfries and Galloway Council have recently completed the rollout of a new kerbside dry recycling collection, and which allows residents to conveniently recycle their household waste as part of their standard waste collection service. The convenience of kerbside recycling scheme will help residents to increase the amount of waste they recycle; recycling has a demonstrable and significant

carbon benefit compared with landfilling or burning these materials. As part of the roll-out project a new fleet of Refuse Collection Vehicles (RCVs) was procured to deliver the new kerbside recycling service and the existing residual waste service. The new fleet is more fuel efficient than the previous one, and the collection routes have been re-optimised to reduce fuel mileage. We also have two fully electric RCVs on trial which are servicing 'urban' collection routes in the Dumfries area. In addition to the kerbside recycling, we have also placed glass bins at over 90 communal 'bring sites' around the region, where residents can deposit their glass for recycling. These bins have been very successful, with glass yields which are far higher than expected (there has been a 60% increase in tonnages collected within the last 3 months).

Alongside the kerbside recycling service, the Waste Service team also reduced the frequency in which we collect residual waste bins. This is to encourage residents to utilise the new recycling facilities available to them, and to help reduce the volume of residual waste – another key factor in reducing carbon in the waste sector. We also plan to remove unauthorised second residual waste bins which is also expected to contribute to a reduction in residual waste collected. The Council have also been optimising the operations of the Ecodeco MBT plant (which processes our residual waste). We have been able to enhance the offtake contracts (used to process outputs from the MBT) so that a significantly higher proportion of this material is used as a fuel to produce energy, instead of being sent to landfill. This has resulted in a significant associated carbon saving, through reducing landfill emissions and offsetting energy generation requirements.

Anecdotally, according to SEPAs waste data system, the Council saved approximately 5,000 tpa CO2eq associated with waste management in 2020, compared with 2019 (204,735t CO2eq in 2020; 209,440t CO2eq in 2019). The Council's recycling rate increased from 29.5% in 2019 to 30.1% in 2020. Further increases are anticipated for 2021 as a result of implementing the new kerbside recycling collection scheme in The Stewartry, Nithsdale, Annandale and Eskdale as well as Wigtownshire.

#### Youth Services

Dumfries & Galloway Youth Council have developed three subgroups, one of which is the Climate Change and Environment sub-group, who have been working on several actions for the group. The Youth Councillors developed their own action plan for what they and other young people in their Ward areas can do on a local level to combat climate change. The Action Plan contains small actions that young people can do easily within their own communities and as individuals, and all Youth Councillors have pledged to get their carbon footprints down to the UK National average (or lower if possible) by the end of 2021. The group have also

delivered workshops on Climate Activism for Beginners to other young people across the region, to have "Climate Champions" across our region who can continue to spread the message of climate change to their peers and families. Looking ahead, the group have designed a project which will see Climate Change Toolkits being given to young people in communities across our region, where they will receive useful information on climate change, and recycled products that are useful for everyday life such as reusable water bottles, recycled notebooks for school/college, and much more.

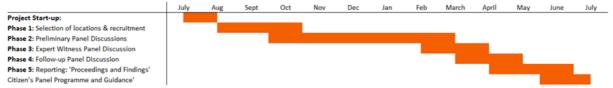
The Climate & Environment sub-group of the Youth Council have also been involved in the very early stages of designing Climate Change events that will be taking place in Dumfries and Galloway in 2021 to tie in with the COP26 in Glasgow in November 2021.

#### 2. Next steps

- 2.1 Dumfries and Galloway Council remains committed to influence, support and facilitate the reduction of carbon across the region through engagement with key stakeholders and partners. To establish the framework required for open and transparent debate around the climate emergency; community engagement, and the opportunities for supporting the activities of partners to reduce CO2e emissions, it is anticipated that the Council's Strategic Plan (roue map to net zero) will provide an interactive resource that will facilitate engagement and support from regional partners.
- 2.2 A key commitment and opportunity within the Climate Emergency Declaration is the establishment of a Citizens Panel. The Council has recently undertaken an open tender process to support the establishment and delivery of the citizens panel for the region and has appointed Community Chartering Network (CCN)to lead on the delivery of this important element. CCN was established in 2012 to support the establishment of new models for community engagement ensuring a genuinely sustainable approach to local development, which has seen them involved and supporting the delivery of some of the UK's first Community Charters and the development of community Life Plan Process.
- 2.3 CCN has identified that working towards this an effective Citizen's Panel requires:
  - Articulation what a Strategy looks like on the ground (i.e. in their specific Places)
  - identifies and maps local themes, priorities, 'big wins' and challenges
  - Formulates a framework for effective action and monitoring
- 2.4 CCN principles are linked to the outcomes and desired approach as outlined within the Council 12-point plan ensures that we will work with communities around the following engagement principles
  - PLACE: a grounded expression of place
  - Ideas and actions in rooted in LIVED EXPERIENCE

- UNITY IN DIVERSITY: geographically, demographically and perspectivally representative
- EMERGENCE: the Citizen's Panel is designed around the dialogue
- CARE a fair, inclusive and thorough process, where all outcomes are a faithful representation of people's expression
- 2.5 It is proposed that 6 individual communities are initially identified across the region to provide input into the citizens panel with these communities creating a framework of different interest, rural/urban/deprived/engaged/aware. The groups will create a diverse representation from residents and businesses to focus on the Strategic Plan and the prioritisation of actions of the council and how the council can influence and work with others to highlight the opportunities and activities which would create the biggest impact locally supporting our transition to a low carbon region. CCN in agreement with the tender process have provided the timeline Table 2 below to support the process over the next 12 months.

Table 2 – Citizens Panel Establishment Timeline



2.6 There is a recognition that the Council's activities alone will not secure the desired carbon neutral status by 2025 without the support and engagement of key stakeholders across the region. In parallel with the establishment of the Citizens Panel a regional stakeholders group is also being created to support our ability to act in a coordinated fashion and create a framework that can be used to support future mitigation and adaption to negate any impacts of climate change in the future.

#### 3. Recommendations

The Board is invited to approve:

- 4.1 Support the developments of the citizens panel to provide further engagement with communities and stakeholders across the region to support the councils work on Climate Change.
- 4.3 Encourage community planning partners to engage with the net zero ambition within their organisations through engagement in the regional stakeholders group being established
- 4.4 Note the activity undertaken by the council to progress the assumptions outlined in appendix 1

Simon Fieldhouse, Environment Manager 18 August 2021

#### **Appendices**

1 Carbon Reduction Assumption

#### Appendix – Carbon Reduction Assumptions

Project sub category	Project Description	First year of full impact of measures savings	2025 annual savings (tCO2e)	2030 annual savings (tCO2e)
Agriculture (in review)	Actions to reduce emissions from cattle (including manure management)	2024/25	113,884	113,884
•	Actions to reduce emissions from sheep	2024/25	7,803	7,803
	Actions to reduce emissions from soils	2024/25	32,730	32,730
	Fuel efficiency	2024/25	6,644	6,644
	Restructuring agriculture for wider environmental benefits - cattle	2030/31	0	59,114
	Restructuring agriculture for wider environmental benefits - sheep	2030/31	0	6,550
	Restructuring agriculture for wider environmental benefits - soils	2030/31	0	24,672
Council buildings and streets	Energy saving awareness raising among council staff	2022/23	183	177
	Improve heating efficiency in buildings still in use Phase 1	2023/24	1,051	1,051
	Improve heating efficiency in buildings still in use Phase 2	2023/24	1,051	1,051
	Improved lighting efficiency	2022/23	104	92
	Increasing deployment of renewables	2024/25	390	345
	Reduce council office space by 20%	2023/24	1,833	1,773
	Replace remaining gas oil (in 2024) with renewable heat (biomass)	2025/26	588	597
	Replace remaining natural gas (in 2024) with renewable heat (heat pumps)	2025/26	2,767	2,767
	Streetlighting dimming scheme	2023/24	520	460
Council transport	Behavioural change through driving style assessment for LGVs/HGVs - i.e., the remaining refuse trucks	2023/24	60	60
	Procurement of electric vehicles for council fleet Stage 1	2021/22	630	630
	Procurement of electric vehicles for council fleet Stage 2	2023/24	1,378	1,378
	Reduce pool of council vehicles	2023/24	417	417
	Replace business travel with EV pool cars	2024/25	469	469
	Travel strategy reduce remaining business mileage	2024/25	116	116
Domestic	Domestic coal phase out, replaced with electric heating	2025/26	4,149	4,384
	Domestic MSF phase out, replaced with electric heating	2025/26	2,360	2,493

### Item 4 Appendix

Project sub category	Project Description	First year of full impact of measures savings	2025 annual savings (tCO2e)	2030 annual savings (tCO2e)
	Domestic PV - Early wins	2024/25	1	0
	Domestic PV - Target SAPc	2025/26	10,311	9,124
	Domestic PV - Target zero carbon	2028/29	0	21,215
	Lower cost measures - Easy wins	2024/25	3,587	3,448
	Lower cost measures - Easy wins Phase 1 High cost measures - Target SAP C package	2022/23 2023/24	3,587 16,179	3,448 32,282
	High cost measures - Target zero carbon package	2023/24	71,509	143,694
LULUCF	LULUCF: Stretch projections scenario Phase 1	2025/26	18,560	18,560
	LULUCF: Stretch projections scenario Phase 2	2030/31	0	3,147
Non Domestic Buildings	Decarbonisation of industrial heat - gas oil phase out 1	2025/26	24,456	24,796
	Decarbonisation of industrial heat - gas oil phase out 2	2028/29	0	26,253
	Decarbonisation of industrial heat - MSF phase out	2025/26	145	145
	Increased renewable capacity on commercial buildings	2024/25	100	88
	Low carbon businesses, electrical appliances efficiency	2023/24	5,561	4,921
	Low carbon businesses, phase 1	2025/26	15,788	40,840
	Low carbon businesses, phase 2	2025/26	15,788	40,840
	Other methods to reduce non-domestic gas use (biogas, hydrogen mix, replacement with heat pumps)	2030/31	0	48,327
	Other methods to reduce non-domestic oil use (biogas, hydrogen mix, replacement with heat pumps)	2030/31	0	70,074
Transport	EV increase in UK car fleet (motorway traffic)	2025/26	3,916	12,236
	EV package of measures (infrastructure and encouraging uptake) (non-motorway car traffic)	2025/26	13,036	26,073
	Replacing HGVs with rail freight	2025/26	7,441	7,441
	Workplace travel measures	2022/23	370	370
	Improving active travel infrastructure	2025/26	2,635	2,635
	Cleaning the bus fleet	2025/26	4,480	4,480
	Van electrification scheme	2025/26	7,961	7,961
Waste	Increasing recycling rates	2024/25	-298	-298
	Reduction in waste to landfill (MBT and waste reduction)	2021/22	15,715	15,715

#### Report

## Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning Partnership Board

Item 5

#### **BUSINESS BRIEFING-SEPTEMBER 2021**

#### 1. Background

This Briefing provides an update on recent developments since the last meeting of the Board on 11 June 2021.

#### 2. Key issues

#### 2.1 Meetings of the Community Planning Executive Group (CPEG)

Meetings of the Community Planning Executive Group have been scheduled for July-December 2021. The Minute of the 15 July meeting is attached as **Appendix 1**.

#### 2.2 Poverty and Inequalities Partnership (PIP)

- 2.2.1 Professor Malcolm Foley, retired Vice Principal and Dean of Business and Enterprise at the University of the West of Scotland, has been appointed as Chair of the Poverty and Inequalities Partnership for 2021-2023; his Induction Programme, meeting a range of stakeholders including CPP Board members, is now underway. The first consultation session with the whole PIP membership took place on 25 August 2021.
- 2.2.2 Three Sub-Groups have been established to take forward action on the Strategy's Objectives: Tackling Severe and Persistent Poverty and Destitution; Dealing with Debt; and Reducing Financial Pressures. membership and chairing arrangements are currently being finalised. A fourth short-life Sub Group has been agreed to assist with the production of the 2020/21 Local Child Poverty Action Report and update the Action Plan for 2022-24; and make recommendations to this Board for the long term lead officer and decision-making arrangements. A short life working group on evaluation and monitoring is already in place.

#### 2.3 Children's Services Executive Group Annual Report

- 2.3.1 The Annual Report on Children's Services Executive Group(CSEG) was presented to the CPEG on 15 July 2021.
- 2.3.2 The CPEG scrutinised the effectiveness the CSEG to date in their operation as a multi-agency partnership group; and supported the review of the Terms of Reference.
- 2.3.3 The Third Sector Children and Young People's Forum was highlighted as a useful vehicle for consultation and engagement with the Third Sector; and the importance of effective challenge and scrutiny of the Plans that CSEG is responsible for (Children's Services Plan and Local Child Poverty Action Plan) and Children's Human Rights were highlighted.



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2.3.4 Subsequent to the meeting, the CSEG completed its review and has been renamed as the Children's Services Strategic and Planning Partnership (CSSaPP) and the Chair being Jim Brown, the Council's Head of Education (Quality & Curriculum) & Chief Education Officer.

#### 2.4 Community Planning Risk Register

- 2.4.1 An updated Community Planning Risk Register was approved by the Community Planning Executive Group at its meeting on 11 August 2021 and is attached as **Appendix 2**.
- 2.4.2 The changes made to reflect recent developments include:
  - the refreshing of the arrangements for tackling poverty and inequalities
  - the updated arrangements for leading the Covid Recovery
  - the LOIP and Locality Plan Annual Reports for 2019/20 showed good progress and the 2020/21 Reports are in development
  - the replacement of the four Local Rural Partnerships by the four Locality Hubs in September 2020
  - the arrangements for representation of the private sector on the Partnership were agreed at the March 2021 Board

#### 2.5 Resettlement Board

- 2.5.1 As agreed at the last Board meeting, the CPP Syrian Refugee Project Board was expanded to include the Afghan Locally Employed People Resettlement Scheme. The Council, as the receiving authority, agreed at its Communities Committee on 29 June 2021 to accept four families <a href="Agenda for Communities Committee">Agenda for Communities Committee</a> on Tuesday, 29th June, 2021, 10.30 am (moderngov.co.uk)(Item 30). Their arrival in our region is anticipated over the coming weeks, with the first family here on 1 September 2021.
- 2.5.2 The commission for ongoing resettlement support and a dedicated post to support work on English as an Other or Second Language/ adult education are in progress and arrangements are expected to be in place in October 2021. Liaison with Armed Forces personnel/veterans in our region is also planned, if desired by the Afghan families.
- 2.5.3 Discussions are ongoing at national level through the Migration Partnership about a new Scheme for the resettlement of Afghan refugees. Once the details are known particularly the financial arrangements for receiving authorities the Project Board will consider the position and make a recommendation to this Board about Dumfries and Galloway participation.

#### 2.6 Location Director

Our Community Planning Partnership's Scottish Government Location Director, Colin Cook, has recently moved from his post as Director, Digital to Director of Economy Development. His new portfolio includes being the sponsor for South of Scotland Enterprise and tourism, so there continues to be a natural alignment with our region's priorities and key issues.

#### 2.7.Place – locality planning

2.7.1 The initiation and co-ordination of dialogue around Place and locality planning is being well received across local partners. The work of the Locality Hubs around Covid Response is reducing and so their wider development is now possible, with partner involvement being co-ordinated by the Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway Engagement Officers.

2.7.2 The Improvement Service has published a new briefing on Place and Wellbeing. It raises awareness of the impact that the places where people live, work and play have on their health and wellbeing. It provides practical guidance for land use planners, public health practitioners and policy makers to work together, using a Whole Systems Approach to improve health and wellbeing and reduce health inequalities.

#### 3. Recommendations

The Board is invited to note the position of the issues in this report.

Stephen Jack Lifelong Learning Manager 26 August 2021

#### Appendices - 1

- 1 CPEG Minute of 15 July 2021
- 2 CPP Risk Register as at 12 August 2021

# COMMUNITY PLANNING EXECUTIVE GROUP Via MS Teams Wednesday 11 August 2021

Item 5 Appendix 1

**Present** 

Fiona Lees - Interim Chief Executive

(Chair) Dumfries and Galloway Council (DGC)

Jeff Ace - Chief Executive

NHS Dumfries and Galloway (NHS,D&DG)

**John Evans** - Director of Transformation and Development

(substitute) South of Scotland Enterprise (SoSE)

Norma Austin Hart - Chief Executive

Third Sector, Dumfries and Galloway (TS,D&G)

Craig McGoldrick - Local Senior Officer,

Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS)

Carol McGuire - Local Commander

Police Scotland (PS)

#### **Apologies**

Jane Morrison-Ross - Chief Executive

SoSE

#### In attendance

**Stephen Jack** - Lifelong Learning Manager (Item 3)

**Liz Manson** - Community Planning and Engagement Manager

Mark Thomson - RRR Team, DGC (Item 2)

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### 1. DRAFT MINUTE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING EXECUTIVE GROUP – 15 JULY 2021

**APPROVED** as a correct record

**ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER** 

#### 2. UPDATE ON COVID RECOVERY PLAN

- 2.1 **AGREED** Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 be merged into one document and priorities need to be specific so can see what going to do
- 2.2 **CONSIDERED** the draft Covid Recovery Plan in Appendix 1 and **HIGHLIGHTED** action around Fair Work promoted by SoSE;

  ACTION: SOSE
- 2.3 Focussed on young people not in a positive destination so there are "no unknowns"; **NOTED** proposal of Third Sector volunteer mentor support to young people moving into further education or employment; Volunteering opportunities must be Third Sector and Public Sector as cannot lose site volunteering is a core pathway to employment e.g., Registered Social Landlords, Food Train; **FURTHER NOTED** CSEG asked to look at membership, matrix and statistics of Young Person's Guarantee scheme.
- 2.4 **DISCUSSED** difficulties in recruitment to vacant posts and possibility of some posts being protected for young people, **ACKNOWLEDGING** challenges faced by other Public Sector colleagues to achieve this. **HIGHLIGHTED** Youth Volunteer Schemes of SFRS and Police Scotland which have a positive impact on young people, interns and apprentices recruited by SoSE and challenges of looked after and accommodated children with no positive destination.
- 2.5 **DISCUSSED** challenge of 20 minute neighbourhoods in a rural community, **ACKNOWLEDGED** as a concept/principle and the importance of connectivity and services being accessible. **RECOGNISED** timescales around active travel, COP26,the climate report and carbon zero requirements. **AGREED** would remain in Recovery Plan as part of the Covid response.
- 2.6 **NOTED** Dumfries and Galloway Third Sector Volunteering Strategy and Action Plan, which is available to view on their updated website making it easier to upload or search for volunteering opportunities. **AGREED** to circulate information to all Partners and ask them to sign up to the TSDG Volunteering Charter at next meeting. **FURTHER NOTED** CLD Partners Strategic Plan and Dumfries and Galloway Council are investing in volunteer accredited status and recognise the importance of peer to peer learning.
- 2.7 **NOTED** greater focus on Place, seeking to redefine our communities. Positive stories boost communities.



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- 2.8. Need to be clear what is being measured in described Hidden Harms. These will be looked at again at government level, ensure have good links with national government and feed into anything as required.
- 2.9 **CONSIDERED** the adequacy of the proposed arrangements and timetable for the review of the key Plans and Strategies as set out in Appendix 2, **HIGHLIGHTING** to Partnership that all plans are being looked at, research and impact of Covid is being discussed and reflected so that plans are up-to-date.
- 2.10 **AGREED** to add another Priorities/ Early Action column **ACKNOWLEDGING** only have Lead Officers professional opinion.
- 2.11 Need to quantify the priorities of vulnerable people in post Covid harm e.g., increase in drug deaths is a key issue for Partnership
- 2.12 **NOTED** in summary of Community Planning Partners Strategies and Plans no contribution from the Third Sector e.g., Alcohol and Drug Partnership action plan, **ACKNOWLEDGED** Safer Communities Partnership will bring a paper to the next CPPB meeting. **FURTHER NOTED** at a general strategic level the Recovery Plan takes account of the Third Sector Recovery Plan
- 2.13 Feasibility of getting into one document to try to level high aspirations into short term actions with a lead identified.
- 2.14 **NOTED** Recovery Plan report will come to CPEG for comment before it is presented at the CPP Board on 11 September.

#### **ACTION:**

### 3. ANNUAL REPORT ON COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP

- 3.1 **NOTED** the progress of the CLD Partnership during 2020/21;
- 3.2 **APPROVED** the forthcoming priorities:
  - Approval and implementation of the new CLD Plan 2021-2024
  - Taking forward priority year 1 actions and particularly those that will align with the re-freshed Covid Recovery Plan and Social Renewal Advisory Board priorities
  - Undertaking a partner self-evaluation against the refreshed Quality Indicators for Community Learning & Development
  - Supporting the CLD Practitioner's Collective to further develop
  - Increasing involvement from local groups and organisations who contribute to CLD within their communities

**ACTION: LIFELONG LEARNING MANAGER** 

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### 4. PERFORMANCE MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORKS FOR ANNUAL REPORTS ON THE LOIP AND LOCALITY PLAN 2020/21

- 4.1 **APPROVED** the draft PMF for the LOIP Annual Report for 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 1 and identified following amendments and additions:
  - Outcome 1 include looked after children ( aged 18-25)
  - Outcome 2 include helping people into work through Local Employability Skills Partnership
  - Outcome 3 include measuring "age in place"
  - Outcome 4 include homelessness who have a sustainable life
  - Outcome 5 include Fair Work with input from SoSE
  - Outcome 6 Police supported by Road Safety Partnership will provide figures for number of people killed or seriously injured on our roads
  - Outcome 7 measure participation of vouchers
  - Outcome 8 include Resilience Groups, communities with Local Community Plan and input from SoSE
- 4.2 **APPROVED** the draft PMF for the Locality Plan Annual Report for 2020/21 as set out in Appendix 2 and will take advice from regional food providers with case studies to evidence activity;
- 4.3 **APPROVED** the LOIP and Locality Plan Outcomes are considered in relation to research and reports about the impact of Covid Pandemic; and identify any recommendations or further work to be undertaken to inform the report to the CPP Board in November 2021

**ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER** 

#### 5. CPP RISK REGISTER MONITORING REPORT

**APPROVED** the updated Register in the Appendix

ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER

#### 6. UPDATE ON ARRANGEMENTS FOR CPP BOARD MEETINGS

**NOTED** joint meeting of the CPP Board and Youth Council will take place in October and will focus on mental health and wellbeing and will include the Suicide Prevention Workshop.

**ACTION: COMMUNITY PLANNING AND ENGAGEMENT MANAGER** 

Fiona Lees expressed her gratitude to colleagues while deputising as Interim Chief Executive. She had appreciated their skills and talents and enjoyed working with them in a great area with enormous potential

The Executive Group thanked Fiona Lees for her leadership and energy.

## **Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning Partnership Risk Register**

As at 3 August 2021

CPP01 Delivery of Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and Locality Plan
There is a risk that the CPP fails to meet the annual targets and outcomes within the 2027 timeframe

Cause	Effect	Current risk assessment	Current Mitigations	Target Risk Matrix
Reduced resources (people and money) of individual partners means that the original targets cannot be achieved  Lack of prioritisation means that limited resources not targeted at issues of greatest need/importance	The Ambitions of the LOIP and Locality Plan are not achieved.	Impact  Change since last report – likelihood has reduced by one level	Monitoring of the LOIP Indicators and Projects and engagement to check progress by the Executive Group and CPPB on an annual basis; mid point review scheduled for 2022.  The scrutiny of performance of the twelve key Partnership Strategies and Plans by the CPP Board on a quarterly basis has included their contribution to Public Health Priorities and tackling child poverty which has given a stronger shared focus on the LOIP and Locality Plan  Impact of Covid is being managed through updating of Plans and Strategies; there has been a strengthening of the Regional Food Network; additional investment from Scottish Government and partners resources which relate to the eight Outcomes in the LOIP;  Updated arrangements for tackling poverty and inequalities are in place (Strategy and officer resources) and the Local Child Poverty Action Report Action Plan for 20202-2023 agreed.	Impact

CPP02
There is a risk that there is lack of participation in our community planning activities

Cause	Effect	Current risk assessment	Current Mitigations	Target risk matrix
reduced capacity opposite in terms of people's time par	efficiencies, missed poortunities and poor lationships across artner organisations and ith communities	Impact  No change since last report	Advance scheduling of meaningful engagement and meetings. Substitutes are encouraged.  Annual review of strategic, thematic and locality partnerships to ensure they are effective and efficient, with rationalisation where possible.  Induction of new people (Board and management levels) about community planning in D&G  New methods of involvement using digital solutions to overcome transport barriers  Shared responsibility for different aspects of the community planning framework	Impact

#### Item 5 Appendix 2

CPP03

#### There is a risk that there is a disconnect between different elements of the CPP structure and activities

Cause	Effect	Current risk assessment	Current mitigations	Target Risk Matrix
	The Community Planning vision and principles are not achieved	Impact  Change since last report – likelihood reduced by one level	Scrutiny of key partnerships by Executive Group takes place on an annual basis; and reported to the CPPB  New arrangements for poverty and inequalities are in place and dialogue with the other Plans and Strategies underway.  Private sector representation agreed in March 2021 (sourced through the D&G Economic Leadership Group)  Executive Group now leads the Covid Recovery Plan which has been updated to reflect gaps in actions from the key plans and strategies.  Locality Hubs agreed in September 2020 by the CPPB and making good progress, with key partners involved in appropriate ways over the last nine months.  Next edition of the e-newsletter is in development  Community representation has not progressed as Community Councils were focused on Covid Recovery. Election proposal being promoted in next Newsletter	Impact

#### Item 5 Appendix 2

CPP04
There is a risk that there is insufficient integration of shared activities across partners to support community planning

Cause	Effect	Current risk assessment	Current Mitigations	Target Risk Matrix
Partners are unaware or unwilling to participate in a joint approach to undertaking support activities including: financial and business planning -participation and engagement - tackling inequality - support for locality groups		Impact  Change since last report – likelihood reduced by one level	Executive Group had shared financial and business planning approaches at each meeting in 2019/20 to build understanding and knowledge – to be programmed for 2021/22.  Working Groups support the work of all partnerships e.g. consultations and training in engagement; D&G P&E Network; equality and diversity shared calendar of diversity awareness events.  Four Locality Hubs were established and the arrangements agreed by the CPPB in September 2020. Good progress has been made  Executive Group agreed the Collaboration Project as a leadership development approach (shared asset planning for NHSD&G and DGC; and Moffat) but this has not progressed since December 2019.  The Public Health Reform Whole Systems Approach has been welcomed by partners and a D&G proposal for a Test of Change around Physical Activity was successful.  The Covid Emergency has consolidated and strengthened shared activities, including now through the Covid Recovery Plan and refreshing of the other 11 key Strategies and Plans to reflect the impact of Covid	Impact

### Community Planning Partnership Board

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#### **CURRENT KEY STRATEGIC ISSUES UPDATE – SEPTEMBER 2021**

#### 1. Background

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

- Children's Services Plan
- Community Justice Improvement Plan
- Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partners' Strategic Plan
- COVID Recovery Plan
- Employability and Skills Plan
- Health and Social Care Strategic Plan
- Local Child Poverty Action Report
- Local Development Plan 2
- Local Housing Strategy
- Poverty and Inequalities Strategy
- Regional Transport Strategy
- South of Scotland Regional Economic Strategy

#### 2. Update reports

2.1 Lead officers for all of the Strategies and Plans have provided progress reports for this meeting and are detailed in the **Appendices**, other than the Covid Recovery Plan which is a separate item on the agenda, Item 2

#### 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 1 September 2021

#### Appendices -

- 1 Updates on key Strategies and Plans
- 2 DG SNSA-CJOIP Planning Paper

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Item 6 Appendix 1

#### **UPDATES ON KEY STRATEGIES AND PLANS**

#### 1. Children's Services Plan

- 1.1 The Children's Services Plan for 2020-23 was agreed in June 2020 Children's Services Plan 2020 to 2023 (dumgal.gov.uk)
- 1.2 The Scottish Government have established a short-life working group to develop and agree a consistent set of wellbeing related indictors to be used across Scotland alongside Children's Services Plans, with a view to implementing these from 1 April 2022. It is anticipated that these will support our local reporting framework and will be reported to the CPP Board in the future. Our local Children's Services Manager is part of the working group taking this forward.
- 1.3 Priority Leads are being asked to provide information on delivery of their Action Plans in order to compile the Joint Annual Report on Year 1 (2020-21) of the Children's Services Plan. The production of the annual report will also provide an opportunity to review the plan and to reprioritise as necessary, recognising that the impact of COVID could require changes to current priorities and action plans.
- 1.4 The Children's Rights Report for the period 2017-20 is currently in development and a position statement for 2020-21 is being prepared.

Lead officer: Jim Brown, Chair Children's Services Strategic and Planning Partnership



#### 2. Dumfries and Galloway Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan

- 2.1 As updated previously Community Justice Scotland produced a revised Annual Reporting/Annual Activity Return Template to be submitted by 24<sup>th</sup> September 2021. This is in the process of being completed and requests have been sent to partners for information. There is an opportunity to reflect the impact of the pandemic on community justice <u>activity</u> under each of the outcomes and a dedicated section to give partners the opportunity to reflect on the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the <u>partnership</u>. The template also includes a new section to allow community justice partners to reflect on how they have, or intend to, implement activity in response to recommendations in the 2019-20 Community Justice Scotland Annual Outcome Activity Return. This is a welcome addition enabling us to evidence our close working relationship with third sector colleagues and their involvement in our local partnership.
- 2.2 Planning and development of a robust Strategic Strength and Needs Assessment is underway. A paper detailing timelines and work required was presented to the Community Justice Partnership in July 2021 (**Appendix 2**). Guidance documents and links to datasets, produced by Community Justice Scotland to support the process are due to be refreshed this year, however this has been delayed until the end of August 2021.
- 2.3 Work continues nationally by the Renew, Recover Transform Community Justice Subgroup. This may influence the development of the new National Strategy for Community Justice and Outcome, Performance, and Improvement Framework. Priorities remain on greater use of alternatives to prosecution and diversion, reducing prison numbers and increasing the use of community sentences.
- 2.4 A new Justice Strategy is currently being developed by Scottish Government. It is likely that this will be launched in November 2021 and contain 'themed outcomes', one of the themes may have a focus on justice in the community.

#### **Appendix 2 – DG SNSA-CJOIP Planning Paper**

Lead Officer: Vikki Binnie, Community Justice Partnership Manager, Dumfries and Galloway Council

#### 3. Community Learning and Development (CLD) Partners' Strategic Plan 2018 – 2021

#### 3.1 Developing a new CLD Plan 2021-2024

- 3.1.1 The CLD Partnership has been focussing on the work associated with the stakeholder consultation to help inform our new CLD Plan over the last quarter along with the subsequent analysis of the information collated through focus group activities and the three main surveys. The total number of responses across focus groups and formal surveys combined were as follows:
  - Individuals (250)
  - Groups & Organisations (45)
  - Practitioners and Volunteers (74)
- 3.1.32 Key summary messages from the three stakeholder consultation surveys (129 individuals; 35 groups and organisations; 57 practitioner's and volunteers) resulted in emerging themes for our new Plan outlined as follows:

	Key Themes		
Children & Young	Digital	Learning, Skills &	Inclusion &
People		Employability	Equalities
Health & Wellbeing	Volunteering	Community Empowerment,	Climate
		Development & Renewal	Change
Enabling Themes			
Workforce Development Governance & Quality Assurance			

- 3.1.4 Some of the initial short-term Year 1 priority actions identified and which contribute to the Covid Recovery Plan have been identified as follows:
  - Eliminate digital exclusion/ ensure those who need it most have access to a digital device/broadband;
  - Digital training and upskilling for our communities and workforce;
  - Resuming accredited award activity for our young people and adults (including face to face where need is identified). This includes creating clearer progression pathways into informal/formal learning;
  - Streamlining processes for community groups and organisations to make things simpler/easier(less bureaucracy) to help aid recovery;
  - Tailoring Health & Wellbeing supports to those who need them most; including improving awareness of activities that are available to communities (one stop shop/single place);
  - Pre employability pipeline confidence building/skills development/entry into volunteering to support pathways back into employment for those who have lost jobs during Covid;
  - Continue to build on locality hubs model/listening events to enable the local authority and partners to respond quickly to emerging need/ ideas which will help communities to recover:
  - Being able to take forward ideas being suggested by local groups/organisation to help respond to the Climate Change agenda;
  - Ensure workforce/learning needs of our staff are being met (i.e. digital, trauma informed approaches, health & wellbeing, community engagement).

3.1.5 As the new CLD Plan develops close linkages and synergies are being made with the Social Renewal Advisory Board "Calls to action" and the new draft Regional Economic Strategy:

Social Renewal Advisory Board	South of Scotland Economic Strategy
Money & Work *	Skilled & Ambitious People*
People, Rights & Advancing Equality*	Innovative & Enterprising
Communities and Collective Endeavour*	Rewarding & Fair Work
Closing the Gap between Promise and Practice*	Cultural & Creative Excellence*
	Green & Sustainable Economy
	Thriving & Distinct Communities*

<sup>\*</sup>key links to CLD Plan

The CLD Plan will be submitted for approval to the Council's Communities Committee in October 2021 and thereafter to this Board in November 2021 for endorsement.

Lead Officer: Stephen Jack – Lifelong Learning Manager, Chair CLD Partnership

#### 4. Employability and Skills Plan

#### **Framework**

4.1 No One Left Behind is a programme of transformation to make the employability system in Scotland more adaptable, responsive, and person-centred. Recognising the degree of variability of Local Employability Partnerships across Scotland a new Framework was developed to provide some consensus around structure and remit of employability partnerships, whilst allowing flexibility reflective of local circumstances. The framework aims to provide a starting point in developing enhanced local partnership working for both strategic and delivery partners. The framework has also been adopted for use in delivering elements of the Young Person's Guarantee.

#### 4.2 Development of Improvement Plan 2021-22

- 4.2.1 To support the strengthening of local partnership a self-assessment process has been completed by the member organisations of all 32 Local Employability Partnerships. The purpose of the assessment is to review the current functionality and effectiveness of each local employability partnership in meeting the ambitions of No One Left Behind and to inform ongoing development actions to support readiness for further implementation of No One Left Behind from April 2022. This process has been supported across Scotland by CoSLA, the Scottish Government and the Improvement Service, with a National Overview available on the Employability in Scotland website here.
- 4.2.2 Delivery is co-produced through focused partnership subgroups including the Young Person's Guarantee partnership, a newly established NoLB (25+) Partnership, an Employer Engagement partnership all with good practice sharing supported through a collaborative Training Practitioners Forum.

#### 4.3 Agreed partnership delivery objectives 2020-2023:

- 1. To drive forward and implement the shared ambitions and actions of No One Left Behind to ensure the right support is available in the right way at the right time, with a focus on delivery of the Young Persons Guarantee within an all-age employability support service.
- 2. To use a range of labour market data and evidence including the actual experience of service users to coordinate and inform decision making, identify priorities and support effective partnership delivery.
- 3. To agree shared local governance to streamline the employability landscape, support collaborative working and coordinate resources to improve opportunities and outcomes.
- 4. To set and monitor quality standards for employability provision and encourage compliance by providers.
- 5. To encourage employers to adopt fair work principles and promote inclusive growth which is sustainable for people and planet.

Lead Officer: Lynne Burgess, Employability, Skills & Partnerships Manager, Economy & Development, Dumfries & Galloway Council

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#### 5. Health and Social Care Strategic Plan

- 5.1 In accordance with the <u>Coronavirus (Scotland) Act 2020</u>, the publication of the Annual Performance Report for 2019/20 has been postponed to the end of November 2021. It will be available to download on <a href="https://dghscp.co.uk/performance-and-data/our-performance/">https://dghscp.co.uk/performance-and-data/our-performance/</a> as of that date.
- 5.2 The consultation on the first draft of the new Strategic Commissioning Plan <u>20210510-Final-First-Draft-of-the-SCP-2022-2025.pdf (dghscp.co.uk)</u> has now come to a close. Over 700 comments have been received and the next step is to start editing the plan based on all the feedback received. A progress report is expected to be available in October.

Lead Officer: Julie White, Chief Officer, Health and Social Care

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#### 6. Local Child Poverty Action Report

6.1 Work is ongoing to produce the Dumfries and Galloway Local Child Poverty Action Report (LCPAR) for 2020/21. Feedback from local families, staff, partners and other stakeholders, as well as national research, has indicated that the COVID pandemic has had an unprecedented impact upon the income and well-being of many households across Dumfries and Galloway and this will be reflected in the Report. It is intended that the Report will be presented to the statutory partners of Dumfries and Galloway Council and NHSBoard in December 2021, and will be brought to this CPP Board and the Integration Joint Board for endorsement

6.2 Evaluating progress to date in relation to the previously agreed <u>Action Plan 2020-23</u> and considering what changes may be required to the Action Plan for 2022/23 in light of the Pandemic and any other emerging developments is also underway.

Lead Officer: Gillian Brydson, Director of Skills, Education and Learning, Dumfries and Galloway Council

#### 7. Local Development Plan

#### 7.1 Background

The Council's Local Development Plan guides the future use and development of land in towns, villages and the rural area. It is a corporate document for the Council (as planning authority) and its Community Planning Partners. The Plan applies the land use elements of the Community Plan (LOIP) and other Council and Government strategies into an overall spatial plan for the region, providing a means to join up messages about place, people, and delivery. It is available on the Councils website at <a href="https://www.dumgal.gov.uk/ldp2">www.dumgal.gov.uk/ldp2</a>

#### 7.2 National updates

7.2.1 The Planning (Scotland) Act 2019 provides an opportunity to develop the joined-up message about place, people and delivery through the requirement in the Planning Act for community bodies to prepare Local Place Plans for their area. Local Place Plans provide a new opportunity for communities to proactively feed into the development planning system. Although Local Authorities are still waiting on the secondary legislation needed to enact this and other parts of The Act, officers across the Council are working together to explore how various work streams and requirements can be aligned to ensure that decisions that are made on behalf of communities accurately reflect their issues, interests and aspirations, and that resources are targeted effectively.

7.2.2 The other significant change at the national level is the status and content of Scotland's National Planning Framework - NPF4. The NPF is a long term plan for Scotland that sets out where development and infrastructure is needed to support sustainable and inclusive growth. For the first time NPF4 will include detailed national policy on a number of planning topics, which means once adopted, NPF4 will have the same status as the Local Development Plan when determining planning applications. NPF4 will also address the following high level outcomes:

- Meeting the housing needs of people living in Scotland including, in particular, the housing needs for older people and disabled people
- Improving the health and well-being of people living in Scotland
- Increasing the population of rural areas of Scotland
- Improving equality and eliminating discrimination
- Meeting any targets relating to the reduction of emissions of greenhouse gases
- Securing positive effects for biodiversity

The draft is anticipated in the Autumn.

Lead Officer: Shona McCoy, Team Leader, Local Development Plan, Dumfries and Galloway Council

#### 8. Local Housing Strategy

- 8.1.The Housing (Scotland) Act 2001 places a statutory requirement on Local Authorities to produce a Local Housing Strategy (LHS), which sets out its strategic priorities and plans for the delivery of housing and related services. The Strategic Housing Forum, which is the subject of an annual report to the CPP, was established to facilitate contributions from partner organisations to inform the strategies development. This thematic partnership continues to meet to review and monitor delivery of the LHS action plan.
- 8.2 The LHS shapes the delivery of the Affordable Housing Supply and Energy Efficient Scotland programmes for 2021/22 in Dumfries and Galloway and will be supported by a total budget allocation of over £26 million from the Scottish Government. This is further supplemented by leveraging additional finance from external sources including Registered Social Landlords and Energy Company Obligation (ECO) funding. While improving the living standards of many local people and reducing fuel poverty, this significant investment will also help create and sustain a range of good quality jobs in the construction sector, including apprenticeships and training opportunities.
- 8.3 The LHS <a href="https://dumgal.gov.uk/media/19892/Local-Housing-Strategy-2018-2023/pdf/Local-Housing-Strategy.pdf?m=637140063452170000">https://dumgal.gov.uk/media/19892/Local-Housing-Strategy-2018-2023/pdf/Local-Housing Strategy.pdf?m=637140063452170000</a> details the strategic approach of the Local Authority and its partners to delivering high quality housing related services across all tenures, to meet identified need in its region. It also has a key role to play in contributing to the effective integration of adult health and social care.
- 8.4 The core purpose of the Strategic Housing Investment Plan (SHIP) is to set out the key priorities for affordable housing development in the region and identify the resources required for delivery in alignment with the objectives of the LHS. This is supported by funding from the Scottish Government's Affordable Housing Supply Programme (AHSP) which aims to increase and accelerate the supply of homes across all tenures. For the 5 year period from 2021/22 2025/26, Dumfries and Galloway Council have been allocated £106.148 million, split into separate sums for each financial year. This long term allocation is intended to assist plan and deliver affordable homes in line with the priorities of the LHS and SHIP.
- 8.5 Public Health Scotland recently published 'Healthy housing for Scotland' which is a briefing paper setting out the fundamental link between housing and public health. The World Health Organization has highlighted poor housing conditions as one of the mechanisms through which social and environmental inequality translates into health inequality, which further affects quality of life and wellbeing. To improve physical health and mental wellbeing and tackle health inequalities we need to ensure people have access to a warm, dry, safe, affordable home which meets their needs. Housing can influence health directly through condition, security of tenure, overcrowding and suitability for inhabitants' needs. Wider aspects of housing that influence health indirectly include affordability and poverty, housing satisfaction, choice and control, social isolation, access to key services such as health care, and environmental sustainability.

8.6 The Energy Efficient Scotland Area Based Scheme (ABS) 2021/22 projects for Dumfries and Galloway were agreed by Elected Members at the 15 June 2021 meeting of Economy and Resources Committee. They are supported by an allocation from the Scottish Government of £2.38 million with the aim to assist homeowners, as well as people living in the private rented sector and have the following objectives:-

- To reduce fuel poverty
- To reduce carbon emissions
- To attract Energy Companies Obligation (ECO) funding.

ABS draw on a range of data sources including the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD), child poverty and the Scottish House Condition Survey (SHCS). The Dumfries and Galloway Local Housing Strategy 2018-23 seeks to maximise the use of funding to deliver energy efficiency measures to homes in the private sector. While the reduction of fuel poverty is a key driver, by reducing carbon emissions, the project also contributes to the Climate Emergency Declaration Strategic Plan which aims to ensure the region is net zero for carbon emissions by 2025. Improving the energy efficiency of existing homes in the private sector helps provide a key contribution to this aspiration.

In the first seven years of the ABS Projects, there have been more than 1,923 energy efficiency measures installed across Dumfries and Galloway. These will save over 59,780t of carbon in their lifetime and result in fuel bill savings for local residents in excess of £13.6m at current prices. Work continues with the Energy Agency (EA) to develop and deliver the ABS programme. They are a charitable organisation providing free and impartial advice to households. In partnership with the Energy Savings Trust they also deliver the energy efficiency advice centre for South West Scotland. This partnership approach allows local people to benefit from their expertise and the awards received highlights that the approach taken is considered best practice. The EA carries out a range of promotional activity, including attendance at Community Council meetings, promotional events, mailings and media advertising.

Lead Officer: Jamie Little, Strategic Housing Investment, Economy and Resources Directorate, Dumfries and Galloway Council

#### 9. Poverty & Inequality Strategy

9.1 The Poverty and Inequality Strategy 2021 – 2026 was agreed by this Board in March 2021.

Our vision is: A Dumfries and Galloway in which local action has driven poverty as low as possible and has mitigated as far as possible the impact of poverty when experienced'.

• Our Objectives are:

Outcome Objective 1: Tackle severe and persistent poverty and destitution

Outcome Objective 2: Maximising income of people facing poverty

Outcome Objective 3: Reducing the financial pressures on people in poverty

Outcome Objective 4: Building individuals and communities' ability to deal with the effects of poverty

Enabling Objective 1: Building organisational and system capacity

Enabling Objective 2: Addressing barriers to access

- 9.2 The Partnership is now developing the Action Plan and a short life Working Group has been established to develop the Monitoring and Evaluation Framework.
- 9.3 It is intended that the Action Plan will be presented to the November meeting of the Board for approval and thereafter performance monitoring reports will be presented.

Lead Officers: Wendy Jesson, Anti-Poverty Officer & Mark Molloy, Service Manager, Communities Directorate, Dumfries and Galloway Council.

#### 10. Regional Transport Strategy

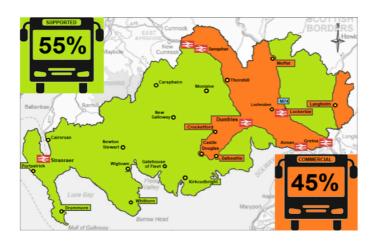
10.1The Regional Transport Strategy was updated in 2008. <a href="http://www.swestrans.org.uk/9691#:~:text=The%20Regional%20Transport%20Strategy%20sets">http://www.swestrans.org.uk/9691#:~:text=The%20Regional%20Transport%20Strategy%20sets</a>, of%20transport%20on%20the%20environment.

10.2 Public Transport is a derived demand and highly dependent on how and where we live, learn, work and access services. Our public transport network is driven by the needs of residents and visitors to access work, health services, education, key amenities and social activities. A sustainable and connected network which is reliable, safe, accessible and affordable is critical to the success of our economy by enabling businesses to grow and prosper in our communities as well as assisting to meet our ambitious climate targets.

Public transport is currently a complex mixture of commercially provided and public funded services with each intrinsically linked to the other. This has created a model that provides essential journeys to those who need it most, but is disjointed, inefficient, costly and difficult to navigate for individuals.

There are 3 types of local bus services in Dumfries and Galloway, providing 93 bus routes covering 11.1 million km per annum:-

- **Commercial** (45% of network) Where the route, timetable and vehicles used are completely in control of the private operator, receives no public funding.
- Supported (51% of network) socially necessary services procured through competitive tendering where these services are not provided commercially and that meet the policies determined by SWestrans. The route, times and vehicles used are specified by SWestrans.
- Council Operated DGC Buses (4% of network) provided under S.46 of the Public Passenger Vehicle Act 1981. The route, times and vehicles are determined by the Council.



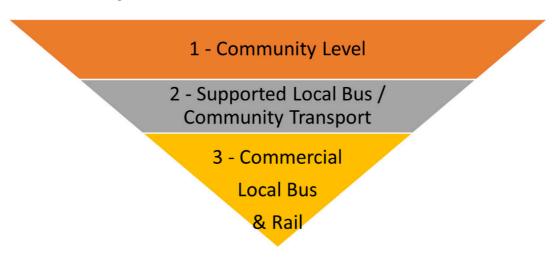
10.3 Local bus functions were transferred from Dumfries and Galloway Council to the South-West of Scotland Transport Partnership (SWestrans) through a "Transfer of Functions to the South-West of Scotland Transport Partnership Order" made on 6 November 2006.

Therefore, responsibility for the policy and delivery of local bus services rests with SWestrans with the socially necessary local bus services supported by SWestrans provided at an annual net cost of some £3.2M.

10.4 Public Transport and Travel was one of the Transformation Programmes agreed at the Council's Finance, Procurement and Transformation Committee on 3 March 2020. This work concluded in a report to the Council's Communities Committee on 29 June 2021 and proposed a 3-tier framework to build a new sustainable public transport delivery model.

10.5There are significant challenges for public transport provision in our region. Therefore, it is important that the public transport model developed in Dumfries and Galloway fully considers the current and potential future challenges faced by the bus industry and provides options to address these challenges.

10.6 A sustainable delivery model was proposed that has been developed utilising the opportunities available to provide our residents with a needs-based, coordinated, affordable and integrated network that allows easy transitions across modes. This model sets out a draft 3 tier framework for delivering a public transport network for the region which incorporates all journey needs, outlined in the diagram below:



**Tier 1 – Community Level Provision:** made up of a number of tailored and flexible services providing travel opportunities at community level linking directly to amenities/services or to a more structured/timetabled public transport option. This tier will take the learning and structures developed through the Community Transport Public Social Partnership (PSP) and expand across the region. This 'mainstreaming' of the PSP learnings will be a critical building block for the delivery of needs-based transport.

Tier 2 – Supported Local Bus and Community Transport Services: made up of supported bus services provided by bus operators, DGC Buses and Community Transport. This would include fixed or semi-fixed bus routes along with Demand Responsive Transport services that would either complement the current supported routes or be an alternative to these routes. One of the major aims of Tier 2 services would be to increase patronage of Tier 3 services through the development of Hub and Spoke feeder services to assist with the overall sustainability of commercial routes.

**Tier 3 – Commercial Local Bus and Rail Services:** made up of commercial bus routes and ScotRail services. They would operate on the main corridors where there is high passenger demand for these services. Tier 3 services would be operated, in the main, by the commercial bus sector and Train Operating Companies

10.7 The development of this new public transport model will be challenging and complex. It will require buy-in from all key stakeholders and the travelling public. As well as designing and introducing new transport services it also requires a different approach to funding, governance and will require the establishment of the necessary key infrastructures and structures to enable delivery. Achieving a fully integrated, co-ordinated and sustainable public transport network will require the development of a partnership(s) between the Council, SWestrans, the commercial bus sector, community transport, local communities and the NHS. There will be a need for this partnership(s) to develop an operational model(s) that is/are flexible, dynamic and fit into the governance and operational strengths of the key stakeholders.

10.8 Members agreed the proposed framework and that the agreement of the SWestrans was sought to being the lead community planning partner in the development of the new public transport model, the transition from current delivery to the new public transport model is phased over 2 years from April 2022 to March 2024 and that regular reports are presented to both Dumfries and Galloway Council and the SWestrans Board.

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**Lead Officer:** Douglas Kirkpatrick – SWestrans

#### 11. South of Scotland Regional Economic Strategy

- 11.1 The draft RES was published in June 2021, prepared following stakeholder contributions. rep\_strategy\_draft\_june2021.pdf (southofscotlandenterprise.com)
- 11.2 The consultation closed on 16 August 2021 South of Scotland Regional Economic Partnership Get involved (dumgal.gov.uk)

Lead Officers: Juliette Cooke, Dumfries and Galloway Council and Gary Legg, South of Scotland Enterprise

#### Developing a new D&G Community Justice Outcome Improvement Plan

#### **Background**

The Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 ("the Act") requires community justice partners to produce a Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan (CJOIP) for each local authority area, outlining how they intend to work together to reduce reoffending. Partners must report annually on progress against locally and nationally determined outcomes. The current Dumfries and Galloway CJOIP was published on 1 April 2018 covering a period of 3 years ending on 31 March 2021. However, following consideration of a number of options at the January 2021 meeting the current plan was extended by a year in recognition of the severe disruption and impact caused by Covid-19 to the delivery of community justice services across Dumfries and Galloway (and the country as a whole).

#### Legislative requirements

Section 22 of the Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016 provides direction in relation to the review of local community justice outcomes improvement plans. It states that <u>community justice partners must review their plans</u> soon after the following circumstances:

- the publication of a revised strategy for Community Justice<sup>1</sup>
- the publication of a revised framework<sup>2</sup>
- the publication of a revised Local Outcomes Improvement Plan in relation to the area under section 7(5) of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015<sup>3</sup>

or otherwise, from time to time.

Following such a review, the community justice partners for the area of a local authority must either.

- publish a revised plan,
- or publish a statement indicating that they consider that the local plan should not be revised.

When publishing a revised plan, Community Justice Partners must abide by the same requirements of the Act as previously undertaken in the production of the first CJOIP, in relation to the assessment against national outcomes. Partners must produce a participation statement outlining how they have involved relevant stakeholders in the preparation of the plan and outline their consultation process.

### Review of National Strategy for Community Justice and Review of the Outcomes Performance and Improvement Framework (OPIF)

The Act sets out that Scottish Ministers must review the national strategy for community justice no later than five years after the strategy is published. Following such a review, the Scottish Ministers must either publish a revised strategy, or publish a statement indicating that they consider that the strategy should not be revised. The Act also requires that Community Justice Scotland (CJS) must review the OPIF no later than five years after the framework is published. Following such a review, CJS must either make proposals to Scottish Ministers for the revision of the framework, or publish a statement indicating that they consider that the framework should not be revised. The Scottish Ministers must consider proposals made to them following CJS' review of the framework and then either publish a revised framework reflecting them (with such modifications as they consider appropriate) or publish a statement indicating that they consider that the framework should not be revised. To comply with the

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Due to be revised no later than 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Due to be revised no later than 24<sup>th</sup> November 2021, however CJS are leading on this and have had to prioritise work in relation to Recovery, Renew and Transform

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Dumfries and Galloway Local Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-2027

Act, reviews of both the national strategy and the OPIF must therefore be completed by 24 November 2021 (though publication of any revised documents may take place after this date).

Scottish Government and Community Justice Scotland Joint Communication Update In May 2021, the Scottish Government (SG) and Community Justice Scotland (CJS) issued a joint statement in relation to the review of the National Strategy for Community Justice and Review of the Outcomes, Performance, and Improvement Framework (OPIF). It outlined the Scottish Government's intention to review the Strategy in Summer 2021. Furthermore, following a CJS review of the OPIF, this will also be updated and changed accordingly. An OPIF revision project has now been established which aims to further define the specific revisions required and develop proposals for consideration by

the Scottish Ministers. The project's core group are currently developing the proposed approach and revisions. The estimated timeframe for publication of the revised Outcomes Performance and Improvement Framework and National Strategy (if revised) is April 2022. The paper goes on to say, 'If publication of a new CJOIP falls very close to the estimated publication date of a new national strategy and/or OPIF (March 2022) then it may be pragmatic to delay publication of the CJOIP if additional time is required to carry out the required CJOIP review'.

#### Local planning and the way forward

Whilst it is recognised that it is challenging to produce a plan without a National Strategy or National OPIF in place much of the underpinning work and evidence gathering can continue. There is a national steer to focus on fewer, high level strategic outcomes; these will be underpinned by action/delivery plans. Local Community Justice Plans must be closely aligned to Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIP), the Dumfries and Galloway LOIP is due to end in 2027. Taking cognisance of this, as well as information and intelligence locally and nationally forecasting yearly increases in business over the next three to five years it makes sense for the CJOIP to be a longer-term plan, incorporating short, medium and long term goals linked to strategic outcomes.

#### **Key Plans and Strategies contributing to Community Justice.**

Local Outcomes Improvement	Children's Services Plan 2020-	Dumfries & Galloway Council
Plan 2017-2027	2023	Plan 2017 - 2022
Anti-Poverty Strategy 2015-	Dumfries & Galloway Youth	Dumfries & Galloway Suicide
2020 (currently being updated)	Justice Strategy 2020-2023	Prevention Action Plan
Dumfries and Galloway Justice	Anti-Social Behaviour Strategy	Third Sector D&G Business
Social Work Strategic Plan	2020 – 2024	Plan
2021-2024		
Community Participation &	Community Learning and	Health & Social Care
Engagement	Development Plan 2021-2024 (in	Strategic Commissioning
	development)	Plan 2021-2024 (currently in
		consultation)
Dumfries and Galloway	Local Fire & Rescue Plan 2020/21	Local Employability
Division, local policing plan for		Partnership Strategy
2020-23		
Dumfries & Galloway Alcohol	Local Housing Strategy 2018-2023	
and Drug Partnership Strategy		
(under development)		

### Key Information/intelligence sources/reference points <u>Local</u>

- 10,000 Voices Young People's engagement
- Poverty & Deprivation in Dumfries and Galloway 2020 (North Star Consulting and Research)



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- SIMD data 2020 D&G
- LSCMi data profile of people in justice services
- CSEG Children's Services vulnerability assessment (2021)
- Annual Education Report
- South of Scotland Third Sector A partnership approach to Covid -19 Response & Recovery
- Regional Skills Investment Plan
- Ward information/profiles

#### **National**

- Community Justice (Scotland) Act 2016
- Community Justice Outcomes, Performance and Improvement Framework (under review)
- National Strategy for Community Justice (under review)
- Care Inspectorate: A guide to self-evaluation for community justice in Scotland
- Justice in Scotland: vision and priorities (out of date)
- Mental Health Strategy 2017-2027
- Preventing Offending; Getting it right for children and young people
- Equally Safe: Scotland's strategy to eradicate violence against women and girls
- Rights, respect and recovery: alcohol and drug treatment strategy
- Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015
- A Scotland where everybody thrives: Public Health Scotland's Strategic Plan 2020-2023
- Audit Scotland Report: Community justice: Sustainable alternatives to custody
- Scottish Prison Service Annual Delivery Plan
- The Promise Scotland
- No One Left Behind; delivery plan

National/Local Drivers – Renew, Recover, Transform	Challenges
Reduce remand.	Backlog in court business
Increase bail support and supervision.	Backlog Unpaid Work Hours
Improve models for diversion.	Increased use of diversion
Increase use of alternatives to prosecution.	Increase in mental health issues.
Reduce recall to prison.	Substance misuse and increased drug related
Trauma	deaths
Housing First	Digital poverty and inclusion

#### **Key discussion questions**

What are the emerging needs & priorities of our local communities?

What are the specific impacts of Covid within D&G.?

Key intelligence/data sources- what's missing?

Reflections on existing CJP Plan and outcomes - themes?

Key strengths/areas for improvement

Performance monitoring/reporting (need to link to national once developed)

Localities/Wards

Unmet need?

#### **TIMETABLE**



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Methodology and timetable		
Research/SNSA     Assessment of national guidance; data/intelligence; and performance information     Service mapping     Scoping/discussions with strategic partners	July 2021 – October 2021	
<ul> <li>Consultations</li> <li>Written community survey</li> <li>Focus groups: Service users, staff, community (online/ in person as appropriate)</li> <li>Elected Member Workshop?</li> <li>Youth Council Workshop?</li> </ul>	July 2021 – October 2021	
Analysis and drafting	November 2021 – December 2021	
Consultation Phase	January 2022 – March 2022	
Participation Statement detailing all consultation	March/April 2022	
New National Strategy for Community Justice and OPIF published	April 2022	
Revise and amend local CJOIP if required	April/May2022	
<ul> <li>Approval and endorsement</li> <li>Community Justice Partnership; Chief Officers Group; Community Planning Partnership Board; and other partners decision-making bodies as required</li> </ul>	TBC	
Publish CJOIP and submit to CJS with supporting documents: SNSA Participation Statement	May 2022	



#### **10 September 2021**

## Dumfries and Galloway Community Planning Partnership Board

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#### **COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD - PROGRAMME FOR 2021**

#### 1. Background

This report updates members on the Community Planning Partnership Board's meeting arrangements for 2021.

#### 2. Key issues

- 2.1 The Board at its meeting on 13 November 2020 agreed its forward plan for 2021.
- 2.2 The COVID emergency and Guidelines for social distancing have meant that meetings have been fully virtual or hybrid since March 2020 and it is intended that they will continue to be hybrid going forward.
- 2.3 The annual joint meeting with the Youth Council had been scheduled for September 2021 however, due to other commitments of the Youth Council during this week (agreed subsequent to the CPP Board invitation), it was not possible for ours to go ahead. As the term of appointment of the Youth Council ends in November 2021, it is proposed to arrange the meeting for a date in October 2021 and for the agenda to include scheduled reports from the CPP Board Forward Plan that have been identified as being particular shared interest mental health/suicide prevention workshop and the Play Charter.

#### 3. Recommendations

The CPP Board is invited to agree the Board meeting arrangements and programme for the remainder of 2021 as set out in the Appendix, with partners encouraged to bring reports and issues to partners for consideration.

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#### Appendices - 1

1 –programme for CPP Board meetings for 2021 as at 1 September



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#### **Item 7 Appendix**



### DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD WORK PROGRAMME 2021

	Programme
October	<ul> <li>Joint Meeting with the Youth Council</li> </ul>
	Suicide Prevention Workshop
	Play Charter Update
November	LOIP and Locality Plan Annual Reports
	Third Sector Dumfries and Galloway Business Plan
	<ul> <li>Dumfries and Galloway Population Strategy</li> </ul>
	Place – locality planning update
	CPP Board Improvement Plan

#### Notes:

- each meeting will receive an update on COVID Response, Renewal and Recovery; and performance updates on the 12 key Plans and Strategies that support the LOIP
- the Community Planning Improvement Board will participate in one of the meetings date tbc