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MINUTE

of

COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Minute of Meeting held at 4.30pm in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Eastwood Park, Giffnock on 25 June 2018.

Present:

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| Councillor Tony Buchanan (Chair) | Anne Marie Kennedy (Voluntary Action East Renfrewshire) |
| Councillor Paul O'Kane | Brian McNulty (Police Scotland) |
| Councillor Stewart Miller | Lorraine McMillan (East Renfrewshire Council) |
| Graeme Binning (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service) | Julie Murray (Integration Joint Board) |
| Valerie Davidson (Scottish Passenger Transport) | Uzma Rehman (NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde) |
| Stephen Frew (Scottish Enterprise) | |

Councillor Buchanan in the Chair

Attending:

Caroline Innes, Deputy Chief Executive; Jamie Reid, Partnership & Community Services Manager; Tracy Butler, Community Planning Manager; Matthew Sweeney, Policy and Community Planning Assistant; Rachel Hewitt, Partnership Support Officer; and Jennifer Graham, Committee Services Officer.

Apologies:

Michael Cannon (Scottish Enterprise); James Russell (Skills Development Scotland); Mark White (NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde); and Wendy Wilkinson (Scottish Government).

INTRODUCTION

1. Councillor Buchanan welcomed those present and introductions were made.

Referring to the last Board meeting in June 2017 when priorities for 2017/18 were set out and new governance arrangements and the draft Fairer East Ren Plan were approved, Mrs McMillan provided an overview of the CPP Governance arrangements advising that the Board met at least once a year; the Performance and Accountability Review, attended by senior officers, was held at least twice a year; and information and consultation sessions for elected members were held three times a year.

The Board noted the comments made.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

2. The Board considered the Minute of the meeting of 22 June 2017. Mrs Kennedy highlighted that discussions had taken place at the last meeting regarding possible community involvement on the Board, or another forum, and sought clarification regarding this. In response, the Deputy Chief Executive advised that she did not recall this discussion, but indicated that community involvement would be considered later on the agenda.

The Board approved the Minute of the meeting of 22 June 2017.

ANNUAL REVIEW 2017/18

3. Councillor Buchanan invited the Deputy Chief Executive to make a brief presentation on the Annual Review 2017/18.

The Deputy Chief Executive reported on items discussed at the Community Planning Partnership's Performance and Accountability Review (PAR) held on 8 November 2017 and 8 May 2018. All of East Renfrewshire's Community Planning Partners were represented at the PAR which took place at least twice a year to scrutinise the partnership's performance. Key agenda items considered at the PAR were implementation of the Community Empowerment requirements; a review of Community Planning Partnership (CPP) arrangements; and performance.

It was reported that a new Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP), known as Fairer East Ren, had been developed to replace the Single Outcome Agreement (SOA) but it had been agreed previously that the CPP would continue to work towards the SOA outcomes until a new performance measurement framework had been put in place. Overview of the monitoring progress had been delegated to the PAR to review performance and identify improvement options. It was highlighted that this would be the final time that a report on SOA progress would be submitted as the new performance framework would be introduced by the date of the next Board.

Performance against SOA targets at year-end were considered at the PAR during which it was reported that the majority of targets had been met or exceeded. A few indicators were not performing as well as expected and further discussion on these had taken place at the PAR and suitable actions identified.

Two areas of performance focus had been identified for 2017/18. These were to increase breastfeeding rates in the most deprived SIMD areas; and to reduce the percentage of children living in low income families as this figure had increased in recent years. It was reported that both of these targets had improved during 2017/18, with breastfeeding rates in the most deprived SIMD areas improving significantly following increased investment.

Reducing the percentage of children living in low income families would continue to be a focus within the Fairer East Ren and locality plans for 2018/19. In addition, there would also be a focus on ensuring meaningful community involvement and it was reported that exciting opportunities to develop community participation had been held in 2017/18. Two locality plans had been co-produced in Barrhead following the establishment of locality planning steering groups, and the first Community Choices Budgeting event was held in Barrhead allowing local residents to vote on the distribution of funding to local groups and organisations. It was anticipated that locality planning steering groups would also be established in Neilston and Thornliebank in due course.

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Further information was provided on the participatory budget process in Barrhead and a video of the process was shown. It was reported that, overall, the community had found this to be a positive experience, including those groups who had been unsuccessful in securing funding.

Following discussion, the Board noted:-

- (a) the updates on performance for 2017/18; and
- (b) progress on developing community involvement.

DEVELOPMENT OF THE COMMUNITY PLAN INCLUDING FAIRER EAST REN

4. Under reference to the Minute of the previous meeting (Item 5 refers), when it was noted that the finalised Fairer East Ren Plan would be issued by e-mail to the CPP Board for approval, amongst other things, Councillor Buchanan invited the Partnership and Community Services Manager and Partnerships Team Leader to make a brief presentation on development of the Community Plan including Fairer East Ren.

The Partnership and Community Services Manager reminded members that the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP), known as Fairer East Ren, had been approved to meet the statutory deadline of 1 October 2017. The vision and branding for the plan had been developed to encourage stronger and fairer communities and to ensure East Renfrewshire was an attractive and thriving place to grow up, work, visit, raise a family and enjoy later life. The Community Plan and Fairer East Ren had been presented as a combined document to demonstrate the integrated approach to delivering outcomes for all residents, with a particular focus on closing the gap between different groups and communities.

It was reported that a Strategic Framework for Outcome Delivery had been developed and would focus on the five outcomes which had been established through the Community Plan and were already embedded in the work of the Community Planning Partnership supported by communities. Community participation was critical to the development of the Fairer East Ren Outcomes and the views of residents had been sought through a variety of methods and resources. Development of the Fairer East Ren Outcome Delivery Plans would be taken forward by a number of cross-partnership groups and progress would be reported to the PAR on a 6 monthly basis.

It was further reported that the performance management framework for 2018/19 onwards would consist of a small, concise and high level set of Community Plan measures which would be used to forecast future challenges and Fairer East Ren performance indicators which would have targets attached and would be used to measure progress towards outcomes. Further work to develop meaningful performance indicators would take place over the next 6 months.

The Partnerships Team Leader provided additional information on the 5 high level outcomes which followed life stages from early years to older age. She advised that community involvement would continue to be built upon and delivery plans for each area would be published separately. A number of discussion points were considered in the course of which members praised the positive links between partnership organisations and different council departments; and the new branding. The Partnership and Community Services Manager advised that the Plan would encourage deprived communities to thrive and become more resilient.

Further discussion took place on partnership input during which reference was made to the introduction of a new Fire Plan; Police liaison arrangements within the Council; introduction

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of a possible new Health Board Strategy focussing on prevention and self-care, amongst other things; and an ongoing review of the Regional Transport Strategy, including connection issues within and outwith East Renfrewshire.

Thereafter, the Board:-

- (a) approved the East Renfrewshire Community Plan, including Fairer East Ren; and
- (b) noted the delivery arrangements for Fairer East Ren.

PRIORITIES FOR 2018/19

5. Councillor Buchanan invited the Deputy Chief Executive to give a presentation on the proposed priorities for 2018/19 which would require to be approved by the Board and would thereafter be progressed by the PAR.

It was reported that the two proposed priorities for 2018/19 were Joint Resourcing; and Community Involvement and Participation. The Deputy Chief Executive highlighted that Joint Resourcing was one of the key Government principles around community planning and would require partners to develop better ways to ensure resources were being used appropriately. This would include jointly tackling areas such as poverty and transport which had been highlighted as important issues for local communities.

The second priority would focus on ensuring that there was meaningful community involvement across the Community Planning Partnership, as outlined in Fairer East Ren, and reference was made to the locality planning areas which had already been identified and further work which was required to develop this approach.

In response to a statement from Mrs Kennedy questioning whether community involvement was meaningful as many community members did not know how the information provided by them was being used to influence decisions, the Partnership and Community Services Manager agreed that there was a need to ensure that people who responded to requests for information were provided with further information on how their response was being used and advised that work to develop this mechanism was ongoing.

Ms Murray referred to the impact of population growth in East Renfrewshire and the need to explore how this could impact future resources, particularly for older people and families. Councillor Buchanan referred to the Council's Communications Strategy which was being developed to allow everyone to get involved in the work of the Council and better influence future decisions. In response, Councillor Miller highlighted that people had very different ideas about how best to communicate with the Council and how the information provided during consultations was being used to influence decisions.

Following discussion, the Board agreed to set Joint Resourcing; and Ensuring Meaningful Community Involvement and Participation as the two areas of priority for 2018/19.

ANNUAL REPORT FROM CHIEF OFFICERS PUBLIC PROTECTION GROUP 2017/18

6. The Board considered a report by the Chief Executive providing an overview of the work of the Chief Officers Public Protection Group 2017/18.

It was reported that the Chief Officers Public Protection Group (COPPG) provided strategic leadership scrutiny and oversight of quality assurance and improvement of public protection arrangements within East Renfrewshire. The core business of the group was to consider child protection, adult protection, violence against women and girls; and Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements (MAPPA). Further information was provided on the membership and function of the group and that associate members could be called to provide the core group with additional information as required.

A summary of areas of activity during 2017/18 was provided including, providing the oversight assurance and scrutiny of the Significant Case Review Report Child 3 and associated action plan whilst agreeing publication arrangements; ensuring high level scrutiny of self-evaluation activity in adult support and protection; evaluation of partnership MAPPA case file audits; and providing oversight of local implementation of the Scottish Government's Equally Safe policy on tackling domestic abuse.

Having heard Chief Superintendent McNulty emphasise that, although the COPPG only met twice a year, numerous meetings took place throughout the year at operational level to strengthen the partnerships within East Renfrewshire, the Board agreed:-

- (a) to note the high level public protection activity outlined within the report; and
- (b) that the East Renfrewshire COPPG would continue to provide annual updates to the CPP concerning public protection scrutiny and improvement activity to provide assurance that people and communities were being kept safe.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7. Having heard the Chair thank members for their attendance and ongoing commitment to the CPP, the Board noted that the next meeting would be held on Thursday 13 June 2019 at 2.00pm in the Council Chamber, Council Headquarters, Eastwood Park, Giffnock.