

INVERCLYDE ALLIANCE BOARD**MONDAY 2 OCTOBER 2023 – 1PM**

Present: Councillors E Robertson (Chair), S McCabe and L Quinn (Inverclyde Council), Mr A Comrie (Strathclyde Partnership for Transport), Ms C Elliott (CVS Inverclyde), Mr S Frew (Scottish Enterprise), Ms S Kelly (Skills Development Scotland), Mr R Turnock (River Clyde Homes), Chief Superintendent L Waddell and Detective Inspector G Sergeant (Police Scotland), Mr R Cowan MP, Ms F Simpson (Scottish Government), Ms B VonWissman (NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde), Ms A Bunce (Compassionate Inverclyde) Professor Anne Hendry (International Foundation for Integrated Care) and Mr R Anderson (Scottish Fire & Rescue Service).

In attendance: Ms L Long, Ms R Binks, Mr S Jamieson, Ms M Rae, Mr T McEwan, Ms S Christie, Ms L McVey, Ms R Richard, Ms L Carrick and Ms D Sweeney (Inverclyde Council) and Ms K Rocks (Inverclyde HSCP)

The meeting was held in the Municipal Buildings Greenock and by video-conference. Councillors Robertson and Quinn, Ms L Long, Ms R Binks, Ms M Rae, Ms R Richard, Ms B VonWissman, Chief Superintendent L Waddell and Detective Inspector G Sergeant attended the meeting in person.

Prior to the commencement of business, Councillor Robertson acknowledged that this was the last meeting for Chief Superintendent Waddell as Vice Chair, and on behalf of the Board thanked her for her contributions and wished her well for the future.

Councillor Robertson welcomed Beatrix VonWissman, Consultant in Public Health, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde and Detective Inspector Gary Sergeant, Police Scotland to their first meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Brooks (Inverclyde Council) and Ms K Wallace (NatureScot).

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of the meeting of 19 June 2023 was submitted and approved.

MATTERS ARISING

There were no separate matters arising.

INVERCLYDE ALLIANCE BOARD ACTION TRACKER

There was submitted an action tracker arising from previous decisions of the Alliance Board.

Decided:

- (1) that the actions on the tracker be noted; and
- (2) that the revised action tracker be submitted to the next meeting of the Board taking account of the comments made at the meeting.

PRESENTATION ON INVERCLYDE CULTURE COLLECTIVE

The Board heard a presentation by Ms Sarah Christie, Culture Service Manager, Economic & Social Regeneration, Inverclyde Council, providing an update on the work of the Inverclyde Cultural Collective. Ms Christie then answered a number of questions from partners in relation to the presentation.

Decided: that the contents of the presentation be noted.

COMPASSIONATE INVERCLYDE – REALISING THE VALUE OF KINDNESS

There was submitted a report by Professor Anne Hendry, Director IFIC Scotland which considered the social value realised over the five years Compassionate Inverclyde has been fully operational and highlighting the wide range of benefits for citizens, communities and the health and care system. The Board heard a presentation on this subject by Ms Alison Bunce, the Programme Lead, Compassionate Inverclyde and Professor Hendry. Following the presentation, both Ms Bunce and Professor Hendry answered questions from partners. At the conclusion of discussion on this item of business Councillor Robertson extended thanks and appreciation on behalf of the Board for the great work undertaken by Compassionate Inverclyde.

Decided: that the information contained in the report be noted.

INVERCLYDE CHILDREN’S SERVICES PLAN 2023-2026

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director, Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council seeking approval on the development of a new Integrated Inverclyde Children’s Services Plan 2023-26.

Decided: that the Integrated Inverclyde Children’s Services Plan 2023-26 be approved.

Mr Cowan left the meeting at this juncture.

COMMUNITY SAFETY PARTNERSHIP DELIVERY PLAN 2023-24 AND VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN AND GIRLS MULTI-AGENCY PARTNERSHIP DELIVERY PLAN 2023-24

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director, Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council presenting the draft delivery plans for the Community Safety Partnership and Violence Against Women and Girls Multi-agency Partnership for discussion.

Decided:

- (1) that the Community Safety Partnership Delivery and Improvement Plan 2023-24 as detailed in appendix 1 to the report be reviewed;
- (2) that the Violence Against Women and Girls Action Plan 2023-24 as detailed in appendix 2 to the report be reviewed; and
- (3) that it be agreed that following feedback from the Alliance any required changes are made with the finalised versions being circulated.

INVERCLYDE PARTNERSHIP HUB MEETINGS

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director, Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council providing an update on the impact of the Inverclyde Partnership Hub meetings.

Decided:

- (1) that the very good work undertaken by the Partnership Hub be noted; and
- (2) that it be agreed that the Community Safety Partnership Strategic Group continues to support the work of the Partnership Hub to monitor its impact.

INVERCLYDE COMMUNITIES MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING FUND FOR ADULTS YEAR 2 REVIEW

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive, CVS Inverclyde, providing an overview of the initiatives funded to date by the Inverclyde Communities Mental Health & Wellbeing Fund and appending a list of projects which received funding.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted; and
- (2) that it be remitted to officers to submit an evaluation report to a future meeting

ALLIANCE UPDATE REPORT

There was submitted a report by the Interim Head of Services (OD, Policy and Communication), Inverclyde Council outlining the key aspects of the Alliance governance and reporting requirements and presenting a proposal for engagement in a research project.

Decided:

- (1) that (a) consideration be given to the proposed delivery group structure, (b) discussions take place on the membership of the group and (c) agreement be given to its establishment and the development of an updated Terms of Reference;
- (2) that participation in the research project as a partnership approach be agreed;
- (3) that (a) the development of the Alliance Annual Report be noted and (b) agreement be given to provide input outwith the meeting via email; and
- (4) that the update in terms of Locality Planning be noted.

INVERCLYDE CHILD POVERTY LOCAL ACTION REPORT 2023/24

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director, Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council providing an update and informing the Alliance Board on the implementation, achievements, and the progress of the Inverclyde Child Poverty Local Action Plan Report and Action Plan for Year 5 2023/24.

Decided:

- (1) that the annual update, progress and plan set out in the Inverclyde Child Poverty Local Action Report Year 5 2023/24 in line with the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017 be approved; and
- (2) that the key successes that have been implemented in Inverclyde to impact and mitigate child poverty in Inverclyde be noted.

FINANCIAL INCLUSION PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE 2023

There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership providing an update on plans for a Financial Inclusion Partnership Conference.

Decided: that the planned conference schedule and range of guest speakers and workshops as detailed in appendix 1 to the report be noted.

INVERCLYDE TASK FORCE UPDATE

There was submitted the Minute of the Inverclyde Task Force meeting of Monday 26 June 2023 for information and noting.

Decided: that the Minute be noted.

ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT FOR GREENOCK AND INVERCLYDE

At conclusion of business, the Chief Executive, Inverclyde Council advised the Board verbally that Greenock has been chosen for an additional investment of £20m focussing on urban regeneration, skills and enterprise and connectivity. It was noted that a Town Board would be established to bring, citizens, community leaders and employers together to deliver the long-term plan for the town.

Decided:

- (1) that the information be noted; and
- (2) that it be remitted to officers to bring an update to a future meeting on the progress of the establishment of a Town Board and the work undertaken.

REMEMBERING TOGETHER

Ms C Elliott, Chief Executive, CVS Inverclyde provided the Board with a verbal update on the Remembering Together: Inverclyde Covid Memorial Project. It was noted that Greenspace is the National Lead and Phase 1 was led by CVS as part of Inverclyde Cares with Rig Arts appointed as Lead Partner. Ms Elliott further advised that Phase 1 is now complete and that a full report on the engagement activity would be circulated to partners. It was noted that Phase 2 has commenced and a steering group has been established.

Decided:

- (1) that the information on the Remembering Together project be noted; and
- (2) that updates be submitted to a future meeting of the Board.

Date of Next Meeting

It was noted that the next meeting of the Alliance Board will take place at 1pm on Monday 4 December 2023.