INVERCLYDE ALLIANCE BOARD

MONDAY 4 DECEMBER 2023

WEST COLLEGE SCOTLAND, GREENOCK CAMPUS, FINNART STREET

Present: Councillors E Robertson (Chair), F Brennan (for Councillor S McCabe), G Brooks and L Quinn (Inverclyde Council), Mr K Leinster and Ms H Paton (Inverclyde ADP), Ms V Cloney and Ms A Howard (Inverclyde HSCP), Mr A Comrie (Strathclyde Passenger Transport), Chief Superintendent G McCreadie (Police Scotland), Mr R Turnock (River Clyde Homes), Ms S Rae (West College Scotland), Ms B VonWissman (NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde), Ms S Kelly (Skills Development Scotland) and Ms Seonaid Knox (for Mr SMcMillan MSP).

In attendance: Ms L Long, Mr S Jamieson, Ms R Binks, Ms M Rae, Mr H Scott, Mr R Scullion, Ms R Richard, Ms L Carrick and Ms D Sweeney (Inverclyde Council).

Prior to the commencement of business Board Members and officers were shown the training workshops within the college. Officers from West College Scotland provided information on the learning opportunities available.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor McCabe, Inverclyde Council with Councillor Brennan substituting, Mr S McMillan MSP with Ms S Knox substituting, Mr R Cowan MP, Area Commander D McCarrey, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Ms C Elliott, CVS Inverclyde, Ms K Wallace, Nature Scot, Ms F Simpson and Ms S Ferguson, Scottish Government and Mr S Frew, Scottish Enterprise.

MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of the meeting of 2 October 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.

VAWG 16 DAYS SHORT POEM VIDEO, DISCUSSION AND PLEDGE CARDS

The Board heard a short poem video "Imagine Scotland Without Gender Based Violence" written by Myra Ross from the Highland Violence Against Women Partnership which tied in with the global campaign looking to end violence against women and girls. Following the short video, the Alliance Board moved into small discussion groups to consider the following questions. Feedback from each group was gathered and it was noted that it would be reported back to a future meeting. Each group was encouraged to make a pledge to help in the campaign to combat violence against women and girls.

- 1. What would it mean for the economy;
- 2. What would it mean for your children; and

3. Would we be healthier.

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

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities and Organisational Development presenting the updated delivery plan for the Violence Against Women and Girls Multi-Agency Partnership for approval. During discussion on this item, it was suggested that consideration be given to developing the action around honour-based violence to ensure there is a level of awareness within the partnership and including data indicators in relation to the under representation of women and minority groups in power and politics.

Decided:

- (1) that the delivery plan for the Violence Against Women and Girls Multi-Agency Partnership be approved; and
- (2) that six monthly update reports be submitted to the Board.

INVERCLYDE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2022-2023

There was submitted a report by Mr K Leinster, Independent Chair of the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership (1) providing an update on the work carried out by the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership between April 2022 and March 2023 and (2) seeking approval of the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership 2022-2023 Annual report. The Board heard a presentation Mr Leinster on the Annual Report with particular reference to the statutory requirements and national and local priorities of the Partnership which include Medicated Assisted Treatment (MAT) Standards, Alcohol and Drug Recovery Services, Family Support Services, Early Intervention Support, Recovery Community Development and Commissioning of Residential Rehabilitation. Following the presentation, Mr Leinster answered a number of questions from Members.

Decided:

- (1) that the work of the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership during the period April 2022 to March 2023 as detailed at appendix 1 to the report be noted; and
- (2) that the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership Annual Report 2022-2023 be approved.

Sharon Kelly left the meeting at this juncture.

INVERCLYDE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PARTNERSHIP FORWARD PLAN 2023-2026

There was submitted a report by Mr K Leinster, Independent Chair of the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnership providing an update on the Inverclyde Alcohol and Drug Partnerships forward planning approach for 2023 to 2026.

Decided:

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted; and
- (2) that a progress report be submitted to the next meeting of the Board.

COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT 3 YEAR PARTNERSHIP PLAN 2021-2024 ANNUAL REPORT AND REVISED ACTION PLAN

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities and Organisational Development presenting the Community Learning and Development 3 Year Partnership Plan 2021-2024 Annual Report and revised action plan for approval.

Decided:

- (1) that the Annual Report and revised action plan be approved; and
- (2) that a draft version of the CLD Partnership Plan for the period 2024-27 be remitted to the Board meeting in June 2024.

INVERCLYDE COMMUNITY JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP - COMMUNITY JUSTICE OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN UPDATE

There was submitted a report by the Chair of Inverclyde Community Justice Partnership providing an update in respect of the future publication of the Inverclyde Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan.

Decided:

- (1) that the progress of the delivery towards publication of the Inverclyde Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan, specifically around the delivery timetable be noted; and
- (2) that the dates of the online and in person consultation engagement events on the draft plan will be shared to the Board.

PROGRAMME OF ALLIANCE BOARD MEETINGS 2024

There was submitted a report by the Head of Legal, Democratic, Digital & Customer Services requesting the Board to agree to a programme of dates for meetings of the Inverclyde Alliance Board to December 2024. During discussion on this item, it was noted that the September meeting falls on a public holiday.

Decided: that the schedule of meetings of the Alliance Board to December 2024 be approved as detailed in appendix 1 to the report, subject to the date of the September meeting being altered.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was noted that the next meeting of the Alliance Board will take place at 1pm on Monday 18 March 2024.