

**INVERCLYDE ALLIANCE BOARD****MONDAY 7 OCTOBER 2024 – 1PM**

Present: Councillors E Robertson (Chair), S McCabe, I Nelson and L Quinn (Inverclyde Council), Mr A Comrie (Strathclyde Passenger Transport), Chief Inspector G McCreadie (Police Scotland), Area Commander K Murphy (Scottish Fire & Rescue Service), Mr R Turnock (River Clyde Homes), Mr S Frew (Scottish Enterprise), Ms S Rae (West College Scotland), Dr B Von Wissman (NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde), Ms C Elliott (CVS Inverclyde), Ms K Wallace (NatureScot), Mr C Paul (Man On! Inverclyde) and Mr J McGowan (Office of Martin McCluskey MP).

In attendance: Ms L Long, Ms R Binks, Ms M Rae, Mr S Jamieson, Mr N McIlvanney, Ms R Braddick, Mr T McEwan, Mr H Scott, Ms L McVey, Mr C McLellan and Ms L Carrick (Inverclyde Council), Ms K Rocks and Ms M Ward (Inverclyde HSCP).

The meeting was held at the Municipal Buildings, Greenock with Councillor McCabe, Mr S Jamieson, Area Commander Murphy, Chief Inspector McCreadie, Mr S Frew, Mr A Comrie, Ms K Wallace, Mr S Rae and Ms Wallace attending remotely.

Prior to the commencement of business, the Chair welcomed to the meeting Kevin Murphy, recently appointed Area Commander for East Renfrewshire, Renfrewshire and Inverclyde with Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, Maxine Ward newly appointed Inverclyde HSCP Head of Alcohol/Addictions/Recovery Services and Homelessness and Chris Paul, Chief Executive, Man On! Inverclyde.

The Chair referred to the election of Councillor Martin McCluskey as Member of Parliament for the Inverclyde and Renfrewshire West Constituency at the recent General Election and welcomed Jamie McGowan, Caseworker who was attending on his behalf. She also conveyed her thanks to Ronnie Cowan who previously held that seat for his contribution to the Alliance Board.

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Councillor Brooks, with Councillor Nelson substituting, Martin McCluskey MP, with Jamie McGowan substituting, Stuart McMillan MSP and Dr Fiona Simpson, Scottish Government.

**MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minute of the meeting of 17 June 2024 was submitted and approved.

**MATTERS ARISING****Tree Planting in Inverclyde**

It was noted that a report is being referred to the next meeting of the Council's Environment & Regeneration Committee which will provide an update on the Council's proposed tree planting strategy, thereafter an update report will be provided to a future meeting of the Alliance Board.

**Alliance Update Report**

It was noted that the Transforming Working Lives & Good Work research project continues, and a further update will be provided to a future meeting of the Alliance Board.

## **Marmot Places Scotland**

It was noted that Inverclyde has been shortlisted to become a Marmot Place and that discussions will take place between Inverclyde Council officers and the Scottish Government imminently.

## **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.

## **INVERCLYDE COMMUNITIES MENTAL HEALTH AND WELLBEING FUND FOR ADULTS YEAR 3 REPORT**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Executive of CVS Inverclyde presenting the Inverclyde Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for Adults Year 3 Report and appending a list of projects which received funding.

**Decided:** that the content of the Inverclyde Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for Adults Year 3 Report be noted.

## **PRESENTATION BY MAN ON! INVERCLYDE**

The Board heard a presentation by Chris Paul, Chief Executive of Man On! Inverclyde on the findings of an evaluation of Man On! Inverclyde concluded by Dr Jacob Asplin, NHS Greater Glasgow and Clyde, with respect to activity undertaken as a result of grants awarded under the Scottish Government Communities Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund for Adults. Thereafter, Mr Paul answered a number of questions from Members.

### **Decided:**

- (1) that the presentation be noted; and
- (2) that thanks be conveyed on behalf of the Board to Man On! Inverclyde for the services provided to the area.

## **NHS GGC MENTAL HEALTH STRATEGY REFRESH PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT**

There was submitted a report by the Chief Officer, Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership detailing the Mental Health Strategy Refresh 2023-2028 which provides details on the engagement process of NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde.

**Decided:** that the content of the report and the plan for the public engagement process be noted.

## **PARTNER OVERVIEW**

A discussion with the Alliance Board followed on the current key role of all partners in Inverclyde. The discussion focused on each of the partners providing an overview of their partnership-based work with others, recent success in Inverclyde and emerging issues. During the course of discussion on this item, it was agreed that updates from NatureScot and the Scottish Fire & Rescue Service be circulated to the Board.

## **INVERCLYDE PARTNERSHIP PLAN BIENNIAL PROGRESS REPORT APRIL 2024 TO OCTOBER 2024**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council providing a progress report on the implementation of the Inverclyde Partnership Plan 2023-2033.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the approach to the thematic group action plans be noted; and
- (2) that the progress made in implementing the Inverclyde Partnership Plan 2023-2033 be noted.

## **INVERCLYDE CHILD POVERTY LOCAL ACTION REPORT 2024/25**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director, Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council providing an update on the implementation, achievements and progress of the Inverclyde Child Poverty Local Action Report and Action Plan for Year 6 (2024/25) in line with the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the annual update, progress and plan set out in the Inverclyde Child Poverty Local Action Report Year 6 2024/25 and Action Plan in line with the Child Poverty (Scotland) Act 2017 be approved; and
- (2) that the key successes that have been implemented in Inverclyde to reduce child poverty in Inverclyde be noted.

## **COMMUNITY LEARNING AND DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP 3 YEAR PLAN 2024-2027**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council presenting the Community Learning and Development Partnership 3 Year Plan 2024-2027 for approval.

**Decided:** that the Community Learning and Development Partnership 3 Year Plan for 2024-2027 as detailed in Appendix 1 to the report be approved.

## **LOCALITY PLAN ENGAGEMENT**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Education, Communities & Organisational Development, Inverclyde Council (1) informing the Alliance Board of the progress in piloting the community conversation week as a method of community engagement to bolster the six locality action plans and (2) providing an update on the progress of the Inverclyde Community Choices platform (CONSUL) and the Alliance Board locality link roles.

**Decided:** that the updates on the Locality Plan community engagement process be noted.

## **DEVELOPING A POPULATION HEALTH FRAMEWORK FOR SCOTLAND**

A draft Population Health Framework being developed by Scottish Government in collaboration with key system wide partners, including Public Health Scotland and Scotland's Director of Public Health, was circulated to partners prior to the meeting to raise awareness of the development. The draft framework provided information on how the Scottish Government, COSLA, Local Government, the NHS and partners across business, the third sector and communities themselves, can increase the positive effects that social and economic drivers have on population health. It was noted that whilst there is no formal consultation planned for this autumn community planning partnerships have been asked for their feedback on the framework. It was noted that any comments should be referred to Dr Bea Von Wissman, Interim Head of Health Services & Equalities by 11 October 2024 or to Scottish Government directly.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the information contained in the draft framework be noted;
- (2) that the timescales for feedback be noted.

**DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the next meeting of the Alliance Board will take place on Monday 2 December 2024 at 1pm.