



Inverclyde Alliance

AGENDA ITEM NO: 7

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Subject:	Partnership Development and Arrangements		

1.0 PURPOSE

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Alliance Board with an update on plans to further develop Inverclyde Alliance and its meeting and reporting arrangements.

2.0 SUMMARY

- 2.1 Over recent years various approaches have been taken to continue to develop the Inverclyde Alliance partnership and improve delivery and reporting arrangements.
- 2.2 To build on these a number of proposals were agreed at the December 2024 meeting and this report provides a further update.

3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Alliance Board notes the update and plans, and partners discuss any additional action required.

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4.0 BACKGROUND

4.1 Over recent years various approaches have been taken to continue to develop the Inverclyde Alliance partnership and improve delivery and reporting arrangements. A number of specific proposals were agreed at the December 2024 Alliance meeting. The following have been implemented:

- Formats for the thematic action plans and progress reports refined in line with feedback from the delivery groups and Alliance Board,
- Meeting agendas reviewed to achieve a balance between fulfilling national scrutiny and reporting requirements and opportunities for partner discussion, and
- A forward planner for the year shared with an invite to partners to suggest future reports and presentations, external contributions and meeting venues and site visits.

4.2 Next steps include:

- Review of the Improvement Service's recently published report *National CPP Self Assessment* and consideration of related activity for Inverclyde Alliance,
- The format of the agendas and minutes will be considered to more clearly set out the relevant partnership outcomes for each item, and
- Development of an updated set of key performance indicators (KPIs) for the Alliance (see below).

4.3 Due to the strategic focus of the Alliance the main KPI reporting and scrutiny ties into the annual report on progress against the Partnership Plan outcomes. It is vital that these performance indicators reflect the joint partnership approach and so they should be drawn from across partner organisations as well as national sources. A draft updated KPI list has been developed and will be shared with Alliance partners. A related proposal will be presented to the June meeting of the Alliance.

5.0 IMPLICATIONS

Legal: None

Finance: None

Human Resources: None

Equality and Diversity: None

Alliance Partnership Plan: The progress updates within this report relate to outcomes within all five themes of the Partnership Plan.

6.0 CONSULTATIONS

6.1 None.