



**Locality Planning Group Maybole and North Carrick Villages Locality**

**Action Note of Meeting: 20<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

**Present:** David Kiltie (chairperson), Mark Fletcher, Lynn Anderson, Vivienne McNeill, Anthony McGuigan, Jeanette Heggs, Callum Reilly, Heather Lavalette, Heather Mundell, Stephen McCutcheon, Lorraine McKenzie, Helen Duthie

**In attendance:** Phil White, Maire Littlemore (Action Notes)

**Apologies:** Jackie Simpson, Kate Anderson, Ronnie Sinclair, Elaine Stevens, Jackie Simpson

Item/Description	Discussion	Action
<p><b>1. Welcome and Introductions</b></p> <p><b>Apologies</b></p> <p><b>Notes of previous meeting</b></p>	<p>David Kiltie (Chair) opened and welcomed all to today's meeting.</p> <p>Apologies were given by the following: - Tracey Middleton, Ronnie Sinclair, Alistair Johnstone.</p> <p><i>Locality Planning Group representatives attending GP Practice Cluster meeting-</i> Phil White stated the cluster GP Practice (South Carrick) meeting was cancelled however both LPG Chairs would be invited to the next meeting.</p> <p><i>Power of Attorney -</i> Another campaign will be promoted at Christmas time to raise awareness; this has been successful in obtaining a positive response.</p> <p><i>NRCG (North Carrick Recovery Group) Accommodation –</i> Mark Fletcher advised that the suggested accommodation at the Speakers Maybole was unsuitable the environment being too "pub" like at present. A venue has been secured at Carrick Street and there are five clients attending at present.</p> <p><i>Sheltered Housing Recreational Activities –</i></p>	<p><i>Phil to distribute leaflets</i></p>

<p><b>3. Participatory Budgeting</b></p>	<p>Phil gave feedback on recent meeting with staff from the Housing Department re concerns raised regarding activities within Sheltered Housing Unit in Maybole clashing with Locality Groups projects.</p> <p>Agreement was reached whereby better communication to be sought in the future, by both Housing and Locality group to ensure marketing/ publicity does not encroach on each other's activities. Moreover activities could possibly complement other projects e.g. Maybole Over 50's, and services at the Unit to become more accessible to all.</p> <p>.</p> <p>Mark Fletcher stated it was necessary to make a swift decision in confirming the next date of PB funding event. Of the £97,000 made available from South Ayrshire Council, £30,000 will be allocated in the event planned for September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017(<i>date to be agreed</i>).</p> <p>Mark stressed that due to change of local authority administration; agreed dates for follow up PB events should be confirmed as soon as possible to secure future monies. The event will follow in a similar format proportionately (bids of up to £100 -£2,000), however instead of individual bidding representation this will take the form of a 'market-stall' style event whereby each project will have a table; voters will enter room for a set period of time and must vote on every stall.</p> <p>Phil stated Prestwick Villages PB event was run on a market-stall style which created a lovely atmosphere; this was seen by some as less intimidating than individual pitching.</p> <p>Eligibility criteria for funding should demonstrate project meets at least one of the following:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Social Isolation</li> <li>• Communication</li> <li>• Transport &amp; access to facilities (utilising community transport)</li> <li>• Make a Dementia friendly society</li> <li>• Opportunities for youth</li> </ul> <p>Groups must be non-profit making and have relevant bank account details which should be available on application and if not, should have a suitable sponsor approved by the PB committee. Supplier quotes should come from an independent source.</p> <p>Funding for transport costs should not exceed 30% of project costs unless to access beneficial facilities; consideration to community transport should be given.</p> <p>A quantifiable demonstration must be given where hospitality</p>	<p><i>Anthony McGuigan to give feedback</i></p>
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<p><b>4. Carers (Scotland) 2016 Act - Input</b></p>	<p>only activities are applied for.</p> <p>Collaborative School projects may also be considered.</p> <p>Previous successful applicants must complete Evaluation reports with banking evidence of funding distribution/ match funding (including receipts), photographs and statements before further applications can be made.</p> <p>Larger amounts of funding will be available at the second PB event in December (£1,000, £5,000 &amp; £10,000). This date is subject to change if Scottish Government funding becomes available via NCCBC which would double funds. Larger sums will require more complex bids and engagement work to assist groups; event would then take place in the new year before end of March 2018.</p> <p>Approximately £7,000 to be used for publicity/ marketing purposes. Leaflets will be sent electronically to villages with only a set amount of posters distributed. Transport will be made available to assist engagement with villages for PB events.</p> <p><b>All agreed on September 30<sup>th</sup> 2017 as date of PB event to take place.</b></p> <p>Phil White gave a slide presentation on the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016 which was passed by Parliament in February 2016. (Link: <a href="http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Health/Support-Social-Care/Unpaid-Carers/CarersBill">http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Health/Support-Social-Care/Unpaid-Carers/CarersBill</a>)</p> <p>Work is now being carried out drafting regulations and guidance to support the implementation of the Act which will be commenced on the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2018.</p> <p>Overall there are 657,000 unpaid carers in Scotland, with approximately 14,000 within South Ayrshire of which 3,500 households have a resident carer. 23% carers work for 50 hours per week. To replace this workforce in South Ayrshire financially would cost in the region of £180 million.</p> <p>Key components of the Act are as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carers Assessments to be replaced by new assessments called <b>Adult Carers Support Plans</b> and <b>Young Carers Statements</b></li> <li>• Carers whose identified needs meet local eligibility criteria will have a right to support</li> <li>• Carers whose identified needs do not meet local eligibility criteria should have access to other forms of support and local authorities will still have a power to</li> </ul>	<p><i>Committee Decision</i></p>
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<p><b>Carers (Scotland) 2016 Act - Input</b></p>	<p>provide support</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Development of local eligibility criteria must involve consultation and involvement of carers and carers organisations</li> <li>• Carers cannot be charged for any support they received</li> <li>• Carers and Carers' organisations must be involved in planning, shaping and review of services for carers and young carers in their area</li> <li>• Carers must be involved and have their views and caring role considered when determining the need for support and services to be provided to the cared-for person (with their consent)</li> <li>• Health Boards will have a duty to inform and involve carers in the discharge planning of the person they care for, or intend to provide care for</li> <li>• Local authorities and Health Boards will be required to jointly produce local carers' strategies</li> <li>• Local authorities must publish a short breaks statement</li> <li>• The Scottish Government must produce a carers rights charter</li> </ul> <p><b>Information and Advice</b></p> <p>Local Authorities (and/or HSCPs) must establish and maintain information and advice services for carers including activity addressing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• rights</li> <li>• income maximisation</li> <li>• education and training</li> <li>• advocacy</li> <li>• health and wellbeing (including counselling)</li> <li>• bereavement support services following death of a cared for person</li> <li>• emergency care planning and future care planning for carers</li> <li>• identification of info and advice likely to be of particular relevance to persons who have one or more protected characteristics</li> </ul>	
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**Carers (Scotland)  
2016 Act - Input**

In developing guidance for the Act, 9 'pilot' sites will be used and South Ayrshire HSCP is a pilot site for Adult Carers Support Plan work and also work linked to Terminal illness and Support Planning. A 'Readiness Toolkit' has also been developed to allow Partnerships to self-assess how well they are planning for the implementation of the Act.

South Ayrshire has a Strategic Planning Group which is concerned with implementing the Act.

A sub-group from this Group will address Young Carers issues.

Following use of the SG Readiness Toolkit, an Action Plan has been developed setting out actions to be delivered between June 2017 and April 2018.

A worker is being recruited to form part of the HSCP Planning and Performance Team for the next 12 months who will support the overall Act implementation tasks.

Key existing work includes:

- The pilot Adult Carer Support Plan work
- Development work on local Eligibility Criteria involving carers and other stakeholders
- Work to identify better support for carers in hospital discharge process jointly with University Hospital Ayr staff
- Work to raise awareness of the Act with internal and external stakeholders
- The development of training opportunities re carer/young carer needs for broad range of participants
- Exploring use of the Equal Partners in Care (EPIC) national training resource
- Developing better local information – for example, production of Strictly Carers, a new Carers Centre DVD

South Ayrshire Carers Centre supports a Carers Reference Group which is represented on the HSCP Integration Joint Board and the Strategic Planning Advisory Group and supports Young Carers and Young Adult Carers Groups. Outreach groups are in Troon, Girvan and Maybole.

Other current support includes Crossroads, South Ayrshire Dementia Support Association, Ayrshire Hospice and Alzheimer Scotland.

Discussion followed whereby it was felt that recognition was too late. Frustration lay within the system in regards to its flexibility and lack of financial assistance. Mark spoke of his personal experience stating that centre attendance was not appropriate for all and that he gained support through social work and

<p><b>5. Access Sub-group (Heather Mundell)</b></p>	<p>occupational health departments.</p> <p>Heather Mundell spoke of the lack of recognition and financial difficulties for under 60's and that informal support is charged for within Community Care services.</p> <p>'Making Maybole and North Carrick Villages a Safe and Accessible Place for All'</p> <p>Heather Mundell distributed information leaflet and NCCBC application form for funding for above and spoke of Awareness Raising Session (4 events) of which one will take place in Maybole Town Hall on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2017 – 6.30 – 8.30pm, a buffet will be available and a local music group will be present at the interval. Flyers have been printed and community transport will be available with wheelchair accessibility.</p> <p>The session will begin with an interview from all partners followed by the opportunity to explore some initiatives in more detail, through a conversation carousel format which allows participants to form smaller groups with each presenter for a 20 minute session. Participants will be encouraged to move around a minimum of three presenters. All projects will bring additional materials and 'Safe and Accessible North Carrick' wristbands will be produced to promote the work.</p>	
<p><b>6. Community Led Support</b></p>	<p>Name of the event is yet to be decided, any suggestions are welcome.</p> <p>David Kiltie spoke of establishing a good quality newsletter in order to break down social isolation which would contain information peculiar to this area. This would contain local contact details for local groups etc. being seen as advantageous to those unable to access internet services.</p> <p>Lynn Anderson (VASA) stated Vivienne is currently mapping services in the Girvan, Troon, Maybole and outlying villages. Any information regarding support services would be welcome, when they meet up and contacts; e.g. Kirkoswald Church / Richmond Hall – any known resources there. Helen Moreland is also compiling a 'What's On' in three local newspapers which has 80 different groups involved at present.</p> <p>Phil spoke of the development of New Front Door sites in Girvan, Ballantrae, Troon Monkton and Prestwick with Ayr being permanent (based in Newmarket Street Ayr) which will address needs faster, working on a new approach to a 'single point of contact' to allow easier access to information, advice and services working with OT, Social Work.</p> <p>Phil to speak to Jacqui Neil, Hub Manager South Ayrshire</p>	

<p><b>Community Led Support</b></p> <p><b>7. Stagecoach Bus Changes</b></p> <p><b>AOCB</b></p> <p><b>Date of next meeting</b></p>	<p>regarding identifying staffing.</p> <p>Heather Mundell spoke of current social work service available in Maybole at the Speakers Club for one hour on Tuesdays 3pm and one hour in Girvan Wednesdays at the Community Centre.</p> <p>Discussion followed regarding linking and training of people re Universal Credit and the lack of provision including IT facilities to complete this, thus impacting on collection of benefits.</p> <p>David Kiltie asked when Dawn Parker's post would be filled and Phil reported that the IJB had issued 'direction' to SAC to mainstream post. Currently the vacancy is being pursued by Gus Collins and lies within Vacancy Management. Phil stated that all three posts are now mainstreamed and any issues can be directed to him in the meantime.</p> <p>Phil explained that recent SPT bus route changes (e.g. bus route to Culzean Castle cancelled) have been challenged by Councillor McKinley who met with Stagecoach (SPT) representatives recently. Unfortunately as these are non-subsidised services, SPT do not need legal consultation before altering.</p> <p>Concerns have been raised as to the processes and lack of full engagement to these changes in transport routes which directly affect rural South Ayrshire.</p> <p>Online responses to the changes are difficult to assess and it was felt overall consultation meeting was poor.</p> <p>It was noted that new Councillor was not in attendance at this meeting and if he was aware of Locality Group.</p> <p>Anthony McGuigan (Housing) will feedback to group regarding letting non-residents have access to activities within the Crosne Street Sheltered Housing Unit, including access to key.</p> <p>Timetable of events to be shared/ distributed.</p> <p>The next locality planning meeting will take place on :-</p> <p><b>Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2017 10am Carrick Centre Maybole</b></p>	<p><i>Anthony McGuigan feedback</i></p>
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