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28 February 2023

# To: Councillors Shields (Chair), Bell, Cullen, Cochrane, Scott and Weir

All other Elected Members for information only

**Dear Councillor** 

#### SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

You are requested to participate in the above Panel to be held on <u>Tuesday, 7 March 2023 at 10.00 a.m.</u> for the purpose of considering the undernoted business.

This meeting will be held on a hybrid basis for Elected Members, will be live-streamed and available to view at https://south-ayrshire.public-i.tv/

Yours sincerely

# CATRIONA CAVES Head of Legal and Regulatory Services

#### BUSINESS

- 1. Declarations of Interest.
- 2. Minutes of previous meetings of
  - (a) 10 January 2023; and
  - (b) 7 February 2023

(copies herewith).

3. Action Log and Work Programme (copy herewith).

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- 4. Council Plan 2018-22 (2020 Mid-Term Refresh/ Extended) October to December 2022 Submit report by the Director of Strategic Change and Communities (copy herewith).
- 5. South Ayrshire Council Gaelic Language Plan (GLP) Annual Monitoring Report to Bòrd na Gàidhlig 2021- 2022 Submit report by the Director of Strategic Change and Communities (copy herewith).
- 6. Integration Joint Board (IJB) Annual Performance Report 2021-2022 Submit report by the Director of Health and Social Care (copy herewith).
- 7. Waste Strategy 2021-2031 Progress Report Submit report by the Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development (copy herewith).

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#### Agenda Item No 2(a)

#### SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

Minutes of hybrid webcast meeting on 10 January 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

Present

in County

Buildings: Councillors Bob Shields (Chair), Kenneth Bell, Gavin Scott and George Weir.

Present

Remotely: Councillors Ian Cochrane and Chris Cullen.

Attending in County

Buildings: L. Reid, Assistant Director - Strategic Change; W. Carlaw, Service Lead -

Democratic Governance; W. Wesson, Chief HR Adviser; A. Gibson, Committee

Services Officer; and C. McCallum, Committee Services Assistant.

Attending

Remotely: T. Eltringham, Director of Health and Social Care.

#### 1. Chair's Remarks.

The Chair

- (1) welcomed everyone to the meeting; and
- (2) outlined the procedures for conducting this meeting and advised that this meeting would be broadcast live.

#### 2. Sederunt and Declarations of Interest.

The Chair called the Sederunt for the meeting and having called the roll, confirmed that that there were no declarations of interest by Members of the Panel in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

#### 3. Minutes of previous meeting.

The Minutes of 22 November 2022 (issued) were submitted and approved.

#### 4. Action Log and Work Programme

There was submitted an update of the Action Log and Work Programme (<u>issued</u>) for this Panel.

Having heard the Assistant Director – Strategic Change, the Panel noted that an updated Risk Register would be reported to the Audit and Governance Panel on 22 February 2023 and thereafter to Cabinet on 14 March 2023.

With regard to Action 2 on the Action Log relating to the proposal to have 284 car charging points by 2025 and having heard a Member of the Panel, it was agreed that the Assistant Director – Housing and Operations would be asked to provide more detail with regard to the current situation with regards to the installation of these charging points. It was further agreed that in light of this request, the action remain open until this request had been completed.

A Member of the Panel enquired the position with regards to the entry in the Work Programme relating to the Integration Joint Board Annual Performance Report 2021-22. The Director of Health and Social Care advised that the report had still to be considered by the Integration Joint Board Audit and Performance Committee and, as a result, it would not be in a position to be considered at the next meeting of the Service and Performance Panel.

The Panel

#### Decided:

- (1) to agree that action (1) in the Log had been completed; and
- (2) to note the current status of the Work Programme and the position with regards to consideration of the Integration Joint Board Annual Performance Report 2021-22, as stated above.

Councillor Cochrane joined the meeting at this point.

#### 5. Employee Absence – Update.

There was submitted a report (<u>issued</u>) of 20 December 2022 by the Chief Executive providing the Panel with a mid-term update (1 April to 30 September 2022) of detailed information and analysis of sickness absence across Council services.

The Chief HR Adviser indicated that a confidential Briefing Note would be provided to Members of the Panel with further information on this subject matter.

Following a question from a Member of the Panel, it was noted that national comparisons could not be provided for mid-term reports.

It was agreed, following an issue raised at this Panel, that information relating to the success of the Employee Assist Programme with regards to its effect on absence rates and the referral programme as well as figures relating to occupational health and the Access to Work Programme be included in the Briefing Note that would be provided by the Chief HR Adviser to the Panel Members.

Following a Member of the Panel enquiring after what duration of sickness would an employee be contacted regarding their sickness absence and what action was taken to assist them to return to work, the Chief HR Adviser indicated

- (1) that initially an employee would predict the duration of their absence to their line manager, with a review being undertaken after four to six weeks;
- (2) that if the absence was of a psychological nature, they would be referred to occupational health services and if it were due to muscular skeletal issues, the employee could be referred for physiotherapy;
- (3) that after eight to twelve weeks of absence, there would be a Stage 1 Review meeting conducted with the employee; and
- (4) that each employee should be treated in a consistent manner by line managers but that in terms of intervention and support this would vary in relation to each individual absence.

After it being noted that a short-term working group had been established, comprising service representatives and HR and Trade Union colleagues with an aim to review the Local Government and Teaching Maximising Attendance Frameworks and to streamline administrative processes, it was agreed that more information relating to the Terms of Reference and the working of this group would be included in the Briefing Note being provided to Members of the Panel.

Following a question from a Member of the Panel regarding whether the Working Group should consider reviewing the current absence management procedures, the Chief HR Adviser indicated that the current Framework was seen as being good but that some areas would be reviewed.

A Member of the Panel enquired if information relating to psychological and muscular skeletal absences was used to make adjustments to services. It was noted that there was an increase in counselling services being provided for psychological issues and that face-to-face physiotherapy was again being offered to front line staff such as this in Neighbourhood Services and the Health and Social Care Partnership. It was further note that the Chief HR Adviser would be working with colleagues in the Health and Social Care Partnership to introduce wellbeing champions as result of the high number of absences in that Service due to psychological issues.

The Director of Health and Social Care advised that the sickness rate for his service was comparable with other Health and Social Care Partnerships across the country and that he was conducting a workforce planning exercise to help alleviate issues. He also advised that an officer had recently been appointed on a short-term basis by his Service to work with his staff to hopefully assist with the high sickness levels.

The Chief HR Adviser indicated that she would provide a breakdown of the psychological absences as part of the Briefing Note that she would be providing to Members.

Following an issue raised by a Member of the Panel, it was agreed that the Chief HR Adviser would take on board as part of the working group considerations, the suggestion that the offer or promotion of membership of Council sports facilities may assist employees' wellbeing.

The Chief HR Adviser intimated that she would ascertain from Payroll Services if information relating to the amount of overtime generated by absenteeism could be reported to this Panel.

Having scrutinised this information and noted the work in setting up the absence review group, the Panel

Decided:

to note that the six-month comparison showed LGE absence costs had slightly increased by 1.7% (£33,968) and Teachers costs had decreased by 28% (£177,377).

The meeting ended at 10.35 a.m.

#### Agenda Item No 2(b)

#### SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE PANEL

Minutes of hybrid webcast meeting on 7 February 2023 at 10.00 a.m.

Present in County

Buildings: Councillors Bob Shields (Chair), Kenneth Bell, Gavin Scott and George Weir.

Present

Remotely: Councillors Ian Cochrane and Chris Cullen.

Attending in County

Buildings: C. Caves, Head of Legal and Regulatory Services; L. Reid, Assistant Director

Strategic Change; W. Carlaw, Service Lead – Democratic Governance;
 A. Gibson Committee Services Officer; and E. Moore, Clerical Assistant.

Attending

Remotely: T. Eltringham, Director of Health and Social Care.

#### Chair's Remarks.

The Chair

- (1) welcomed everyone to the meeting; and
- (2) outlined the procedures for conducting this meeting and advised that this meeting would be broadcast live.

#### 1. Sederunt and Declarations of Interest.

The Chair called the Sederunt for the meeting and having called the roll, confirmed that that there were no declarations of interest by Members of the Panel in terms of Council Standing Order No. 17 and the Councillors' Code of Conduct.

#### 2. Minutes of previous meeting.

The Minutes of 10 January 2023 (issued) were submitted.

**<u>Decided</u>**: to continue consideration of approval of the minutes to the next meeting of

this Panel to allow, following a proposed amendment being made by a Panel

Member, officers an opportunity to take a view on this request.

#### 3. Action Log and Work Programme

There was submitted an update of the Action Log and Work Programme (<u>issued</u>) for this Panel.

Following a question from a Member regarding the Work Programme, the Assistant Director – Strategic Change advised of the position regarding reports that had been continued to the meeting of this Panel scheduled to take place on 7 March 2023.

The Panel

#### **Decided:**

- (1) to agree that the actions in the Log had been completed; and
- (2) to note the current status of the Work Programme.

#### 4. Elected Members' Briefings/Training Update.

There was submitted a report (<u>issued</u>) of 26 January 2023 by the Head of Legal and Regulatory Services providing an update on Elected Members' training and briefings in accordance with actions set out in relation to the Best Value Assurance Report Action Plan 2021-22.

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services gave an introduction to the report.

Following discussion if there was a process which would allow for the figures showing attendance at training to include those who attended remotely and who viewed the training online following the event, the Head of Legal and Regulatory Services advised that officers would explore this request and that an update would be reflected in the report next presented to this Panel.

A Member of the Panel raised the issue of whether certain events were training for Members of certain Panels or a training session for all Members and felt that the figures should be recorded appropriately. The Service Lead – Democratic Governance advised that the matter of how attendance at training sessions which were Member specific were recorded was currently under review.

The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services advised of the importance of Members providing feedback following briefing sessions and that, in time, a questionnaire would be sent to Members regarding their views on the induction element of training.

Following a question from a Member of the Panel regarding the Improvement Service's Political Skills Assessment template and the follow-up sessions, the Service Lead – Democratic Governance advised that she would raise his concerns in providing feedback with Organisational Development.

Having heard a Member of the Panel indicate that it was not mandatory to attend Members Briefing Sessions, the Head of Legal and Regulatory Services confirmed this to be the case. A Member of the Panel advised that it would be beneficial if Members could put forward ideas for briefing sessions to the relevant officers. The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services advised that officers would write to the various political group leaders asking them to liaise with their group members for ideas on suitable training sessions.

A Member of the Panel enquired if there was any guidance from Audit Scotland as to the difference between Members training and Members briefing sessions. The Head of Legal and Regulatory Services advised that she would ascertain this information and would advise Members accordingly.

Following Members of the Panel advising that it would be beneficial to have follow-up training after the initial Induction training session for new Members, the Head of Legal and Regulatory Services noted this and that she would look at the introduction of a frequently asked questions and answers section with regard to Briefings/Training being placed online in the Members Area.

**<u>Decided</u>**: to note the feedback given by Members of the Panel, as detailed above.

The meeting ended at 10.48 a.m.

# Service and Performance Panel Action Log/Work Programme – 2023

#### Agenda Item No 3

#### **SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE PANEL – ACTION LOG**

No.	Date of Meeting	Issue	Actions	Assigned to	Update	Completed
1.	10 January 2023	Employee Absence - Update	To provide a confidential briefing to Members of the Panel with further information on the subject matter	Chief HR Adviser	To be provided to Panel Members by 6/2/23  Sent to all Members on 6/2/23	YES
2.	7 February 2023	Elected Members' Briefings/Training Update	An Officer to write to the various political group leaders asking them to liaise with their group members for ideas on suitable training sessions.	Head of Legal and Regulatory Services	To be undertaken by 31 March 2023.	NO

# Service and Performance Panel Action Log/Work Programme – 2023

### SERVICE AND PERFORMANCE PANEL – WORK PROGRAMME

	Issue	Actions	Assigned To	Due Date To Panel	Latest update
1.	Developer Contributions Update – Quarters 1 and 2	Six-monthly update for reporting period April to September 2022	Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development	18/4/23	Deferred from 7 March 2023
2.	Community Wealth Building Action Plan	Scrutiny of annual progress report	Director of Strategic Change and Communities/Head of Finance, ICT and Procurement	18/4/23	
3.	Fleet Strategy 2021-2026 Progress Report	Annual update (this year, to include proposal to review options for delivery of fleet/transport including transfer to ARA)	Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development	18/4/23	
4.	Participatory Budgeting Activity in 2022/23	6-monthly update report as part of regular community engagement reporting		18/4/23	
5.	Complaints – Scrutiny Update - Period: 1 October 2022 to 31 March 2023	Provide statistics for scrutiny (6- monthly report) to include information from SPSO annual statistics report	Head of Legal and Regulatory Services	16/5/23	
6.	Developer Contributions Update - Quarters 3 and 4	6-monthly update for reporting period October 2022 to March 2023	Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development	16/5/23	

# Service and Performance Panel Action Log/Work Programme – 2023

	Issue	Actions	Assigned To	Due Date To Panel	Latest update
7.	Council Plan 2023-26 (2023 Mid-Term Refresh) - January to March 2023	Scrutiny of quarterly report	Director of Strategic Change and Communities	13/6/23	
8.	Local Government Benchmarking Framework 2021/22	Advise Members re difference benchmarking is making within SAC (National Overview Report published March 2023)	Director of Strategic Change and Communities	13/6/23	

### **South Ayrshire Council**

# Report by Director of Strategic Change and Communities to Service and Performance Panel of 7 March 2023

Subject: Council Plan 2018-22 (2020 Mid-Term Refresh/

**Extended) - October to December 2022** 

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to allow Elected Members the opportunity to review progress made towards achieving the strategic objectives contained within the Council Plan 2018-22 (2020 Mid-Term Refresh).

#### 2. Recommendation

- 2.1 It is recommended that the Panel:
  - 2.1.1 considers the progress through the narrative set out within Appendix 1; and
  - 2.1.2 considers the performance indicators reported in Appendix 2.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 This report has been prepared to help evaluate progress against the <u>Council Plan</u> 2018-2022 (2020 Mid-Term Refresh), The Council Plan was extended by one year in January 2022, paper available <u>here</u>.
- 3.2 The attached reports that 47 actions are now complete, however, where possible updates for quarter three have been provided, 24 are on target and one is not on target, all narrative is available in Appendix 1.
- 3.3 Audit Scotland published the Council's Best Value Assurance Report in October 2021, this report contained recommendations relating to performance monitoring and reporting:

**Recommendation 6** The Council should improve performance reporting, by:

- Setting targets for its KPIs;
- Including a summary of performance against KPIs in its performance reports to Members;
- Increasing the frequency of reports to Elected Members; and
- Making performance reports more accessible to the public (paragraphs 32, 47 and 51).

3.4 As set out in the <u>Performance Management Framework</u> as approved at the Service and Performance Panel on 8 February 2022, reports on the delivery of the Council Plan will be reported quarterly, however, many of the performance indictors are annual data collections and cannot be reported quarter. Moving forward in the next iteration of the Council Plan quarterly indicators and targets will be considered.

#### 4. Proposals

- 4.1 Reporting on all of the strategic priorities will provide a more holistic overview of how all services are contributing to delivering the Council Plan. Appendix 1 sets out performance against the strategic priorities:
  - Fair and effective leadership;
  - Closing the gap;
  - 3. Grow well, live well, age well;
  - 4. South Ayrshire works;
  - 5. Stand up for South Ayrshire; and
  - 6. A better place to live.
- 4.2 The data has been refreshed to bring it up to date as far as is currently available for this Panel, reflecting the latest information as accessible to Members through Pentana.
- 5. Legal and Procurement Implications
- 5.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report
- 5.2 There are no procurement implications arising from this report
- 6. Financial Implications
- 6.1 Not applicable.
- 7. Human Resources Implications
- 7.1 Not applicable.
- 8. Risk
- 8.1 Risk Implications of Adopting the Recommendations
  - 8.1.1 There are no risks associated with adopting the recommendations.
- 8.2 Risk Implications of Rejecting the Recommendations
  - 8.2.1 Rejecting the recommendations may impact on the reputation of the Council.

#### 9. Equalities

9.1 The proposals in this report allow scrutiny of performance. The report does not involve proposals for policies, strategies, procedures, processes, financial decisions and activities (including service delivery), both new and at review, that affect the Council's communities and employees, therefore an equality impact assessment is not required.

#### 10. Sustainable Development Implications

10.1 Considering Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) - This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme or strategy or document otherwise described which could be considered to constitute a plan, programme, policy or strategy.

#### 11. Options Appraisal

11.1 An options appraisal has not been carried out in relation to the subject matter of this report.

#### 12. Link to Council Plan

12.1 The matters referred to in this report contribute to delivery of all of the Council's strategic objectives and all of the strategic outcomes.

#### 13. Results of Consultation

- 13.1 There has been no public consultation on the contents of this report.
- 13.2 Consultation has taken place with Councillor Martin Dowey, Portfolio Holder for Corporate and Strategic, and the contents of this report reflect any feedback provided.

Background Papers Report to Service and Performance Panel of 8 February 2022 –

**South Ayrshire's Performance Management Framework** 

(Update January 2022)

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Date: 24 February 2023

# **Council Plan Report October – December 2022 (quarter three)**

1 Fair and effective leadership										
1.1 We will design our services with people at the heart										
COPL 01.1a Redesign and rebuild the Council's website with a focus on delivering digital services and digital engagement.	Service Lead - ICT Enterprise Architecture	All content now moved over from old site. Ongoing work continues to enhance and improve digital services on new site. Now looking to decommission old site.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Oct- 2022					
COPL 01.1b Relocate Ayrshire Archives and Registration to a purpose build repository at South Harbour Street.	Service Lead - Democratic Governance	The Ayrshire Archives is now open within South Ayrshire every Tuesday, by appointment, which is the level of service provided to South Ayrshire Council residents prior to the re-location to South Harbour Street and available staffing resource.  Registration Services will not relocate to South Harbour Street, due to risks previously identified with marriage room access. Service will continue to operate from Ayr Town Hall.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Dec- 2022					
	1.2 We will in	vest in our workforce for the future								
COPL 01.2a Provide Service Leads with Workforce Planning support and advice.	Service Lead - Organisational Development and Customer Services	Annual workforce profiles have been issued to each Service Lead providing snapshot workforce information for their service area. Service Leads also have the facility to pull workforce information directly via the Oracle Service Reporting Tool. The profiles, alongside the Service Reporting Tool, will help Service Leads to consider broader workforce planning requirements, alongside more immediate and specific recovery planning. To provide further support, a new <a href="Workforce and Succession Planning Toolkit">Workforce and Succession Planning Toolkit</a> is now available on the Core. This provides Service Leads with further guidance on aspects such as	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022					

horizon scanning, planning templates, and service case studies. We will

		enhance and expand the toolkit as national workforce guidance develops.			
COPL 01.2b Create modern apprenticeship opportunities across South Ayrshire for our young people.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	We currently have 103 Modern Apprentices (MA's) in a range of occupational areas.  18 MA's have been recruited over the period September – December within the following areas:-  9 - Business & Administration 5 - Sustainable Resource and Management 3 - Youth Work 1 - Roads Maintenance  EQUALITY DATA Currently 11 of our MAs are Care Experienced 1 is a young carer and 29 have an ASN.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
1 3 We will plan w	all for the fut	are using sound evidence and involve our communities	5		
1.5 We will plan w	en for the fatt	are using sound evidence and involve our communities	9		
COPL 01.3a Strengthen our tenants' voice through the implementation of our Tenant Participation Strategy.	Service Lead Housing Services	Our Tenant Participation Team continue to work successfully with Involved Tenants. The team have been increasing their presence at community events and linking in with partners to support tenants and communities with access to getting involved in tenant participation and their housing service. Preparation has begun to schedule tenant meetings and events for 2023.	90%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 01.3c Conduct periodic reviews our HRA Business Plan in consultation with tenants, to identify investment priorities and inform the rent setting process.	Service Lead - Housing Services	In 2020/21 the Housing Revenue Account (HRA) Business Plan was reviewed and the outcome informed the options which were discussed with tenant representatives and contained in the rent setting consultation. The consultation results along with proposals for future rent setting for 2021/22 and beyond were considered by a Special Meeting of South Ayrshire Council on 20 January 2021. Council approved a 1.5% increase for 3 years on rents and other charges, a realignment of rents for 1-bedroom new build properties and a freeze on rental charges for other new build properties and homeless temporary accommodation. An ongoing annual review of the HRA Business Plan will be undertaken in consultation with tenant representatives.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

# 1.4 We will adapt our services to reduce inequalities and help the most vulnerable in our communities

COPL 01.4a Develop an integrated approach to Trauma-Informed Practice in partnership with Community Planning Partners.	Service Lead - Policy, Performance and Community Planning	An integrated approach to embedding the Trauma informed and responsive strategic action plan continues to be support by the Trauma Informed Practice Officer. The South Ayrshire: Trauma through a new lens and the Member Officer Working Group continue to progress the 9 strategic domains. An update paper reporting the work to date and an organisational training plan proposal with be submitted to Cabinet early 2023.	30%	•	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 01.4b Review the Council's House Allocations Policy to make best use of available housing stock.	Service Lead - Housing Services	The review of the Allocations Policy is progressing, and Officers are working to the revised target date of 31 December 2023, as agreed with the Portfolio Holder. The Officers working group has continued to draft proposals and considerations to develop a new updated Allocations Policy, this has included a scoping exercise to identify changes within the current Housing Management Policies and work is ongoing to identify the potential impacts of proposed changes. Both these policy documents will progress to the consultation phase prior to any final draft being submitted to Council for consideration. Consultation will be inclusive of all relevant and interested parties and briefings will arranged. All necessary impact assessments have also been considered in the project plan and Officers are currently considering the impacts of any proposed changes on wider housing management policies.  The Housing Online project commenced in June 2022, this project includes the development of an 'online housing application and advice module' to meet local need. Officers are working alongside ICT and the software provider to progress implementation; updates are being provided through the Council's Strategic Change Programme. As part of the implementation plan, a software version update will be required and 'go live' is now scheduled for 31 December 2023.	65%		31-Dec- 2023
COPL 01.4c Undertake a phased review of Benefits Services to ensure a responsive and customer focused approach is provided to support those affected by Welfare Reform.	Service Lead - Revenues and Benefits	Service Review proposals approved at LP of 15 Feb 2022.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 01.4d Develop a Social Lettings Service to support access to the Private Rented Sector.	Service Lead Housing Services	Three properties in operation with one being marketed at present. Staffing change has slowed down pace of procurement however new member should be in post by end of February and will reengage sector	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

		to procure more properties. Tenants in situ are managing their properties.			
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## 2 Closing the gap

## 2.1 We will create more training and employability opportunities for all young people

COPL 02.1a Continue to develop employability programmes for young people, including the WorkOut programme.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Over 100 Young People started on the WorkOut programme in September. Young people attend one day per week work experience as part of their curriculum between September and March. Thriving Communities delivered team building sessions to the young people and supported young people with their inductions.  The Town Centre Employability Squad is supporting young people this year through WorkOut! in addition to supporting placements through No-One Left Behind.  The Local Employability Partnership continue to plan, monitor and develop new employability initiatives through No One Left Behind.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 02.1b Implement the Educational Services Improvement Plan	Director of Education	Good progress continues to be made in taking forward the Education Services Recovery and Improvement Plan 2021 - 2024. The plan continues to be updated annually and progress is reported through the service Standards and Quality Report.	60%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 02.1c Continue to work with partners to provide meals during school holidays to support activity clubs within local communities.	Co-ordinator – Community Safety	Over the October holiday period 675 meals were given out to young people throughout South Ayrshire. This provision was through an activity-based programme operated by Thriving communities, Whitletts Vic Football Club and The Carrick Centre were our main third sector partners in this holiday period. The programme was targeted at the communities of North Ayr, Barassie, Maybole, Girvan Glendoune.  Because of the provision of free school meals payments over the Christmas holiday period there was no provision delivered over this time period.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

### 2.2 We will work closely with partners to support looked after children and young people and young carers to reach their potential

COPL 02.2a Ensure young people leaving care do not have to access housing through the homeless system.	Service Lead - Housing Services	Housing Services and the HSCP continue to work in partnership to explore alternative housing options for young care leavers. Housing services continue to support The Promise, incorporating actions within the development of our draft Local Housing Strategy 2023 - 2028.	70%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 02.2b Implement the Child Poverty Action Plan to help close the opportunity Gap	Service Lead - Policy, Performance and Community Planning	The Scottish Government have recently updated their Child Poverty Strategy and issued guidance to help public bodies develop their action plans. Officers will close off the existing Child Poverty Action Plan at the Community Planning Board in April 2023 and develop a refreshed action plan with partners for approval in October 2023.	70%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 02.2c Work to improve the legal permanence journey for care experienced children.	Service Lead - Legal and Licensing	Coordinator (Legal Services) sits as a member of the Signs of Safety Implementation Group for the H&SCP, and they are continuing to review and revise paperwork for SW reports for Permanence cases. The work will be ongoing, but I am satisfied that the Action can now be marked as implemented, with good joint working leading to better outcomes for care experienced children.	100%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 02.2d Work closely with Young People Support and Transition Team, Champions Board and Employability and Skill to improve outcomes for young people.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Thriving Communities continue to work alongside Skills Development Scotland, Health and Social Care Partnership and Education to improve outcomes for young people who are care experienced. Officers are co-located and transition and tracking meetings take place regularly. The partners are working together to support Care Experience Week with an event planned at Ayrshire College in October.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 02.2e Work with partners to improve employability outcomes for care experienced young people.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	46 care experienced young people have progressed to Ayrshire College where Thriving Communities continue to track and monitor alongside Skills Development Scotland, Education and Ayrshire College.  Thriving Communities are currently supporting 103 care experienced school pupils in partnership with Skills Development Scotland with early intervention employability support and careers planning.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

		Thriving Communities are supporting 59 care experienced young people on Positive Futures which is our post school employability programme.			
COPL 02.2f Deliver targeted employability programmes for care experienced young people and a supported employment programme for young people with additional support needs.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Officers continue to support young people who are care experienced and young people with additional support needs. Through the local employability partnership (LEP) partners are developing initiatives to help close the disability employment gap. Employment Fayres are being organised and there is a targeted approach to generating referrals. One young person recently progress from project Search in to a Modern Apprenticeship with Thriving Community Health and Wellbeing Team.  SAC tailored jobs programme is on target have everyone in post. Thriving Communities have submitted proposals through UKSPF to allow targeted work to support young people with ASN and Care Experience beyond March 2023 when the current ESF Funding finishes.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
2.3 We will invest in our young people, ra	aising attainı	ment and creating modern and engaging places for our	young pe	eople to	learn
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COPL 02.1b Implement the Educational Services	Director of	Good progress continues to be made in taking forward the Education Services Recovery and Improvement Plan 2021 - 2024. The plan continues to be updated annually and progress is reported through the		eople to	31-Mar-

# 2.4 We will work with communities to make the best use of the school estate by creating local hubs

Director of Strategic Change and Communities	engagement with our communities. Action now complete although	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Officer who has welfare rights knowledge and experience to undertake better off and what if calculations to ensure individuals and households	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
Special Property	be complete by March 2023. The main works at Maybole Campus are	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
	Service Lead - Thriving Communities  Service Lead - Special Property Projects	Strategic Change and Communities schools and community hubs are used as places for learning and engagement with our communities. Action now complete although work will be ongoing.  Opportunities for parents accessing the Evolve programme (LTU) have been discussed and shaped with advice and guidance from our PES Officer who has welfare rights knowledge and experience to undertake better off and what if calculations to ensure individuals and households will be better off when moving into work.  Service Lead - Special Property  The main works at Prestwick Campus are now complete and the building handed over. The demolition of the old school and final landscaping will be complete by March 2023. The main works at March 2023 are main works at March 2023.	Strategic Change and Communities schools and community hubs are used as places for learning and engagement with our communities. Action now complete although work will be ongoing.    Service Lead - Thriving Communities   Opportunities for parents accessing the Evolve programme (LTU) have been discussed and shaped with advice and guidance from our PES Officer who has welfare rights knowledge and experience to undertake better off and what if calculations to ensure individuals and households will be better off when moving into work.    Service Lead - Special Property Projects   The main works at Prestwick Campus are now complete and the building handed over. The demolition of the old school and final landscaping will be complete by March 2023. The main works at Maybole Campus are   100%	Schools and community hubs are used as places for learning and engagement with our communities. Action now complete although work will be ongoing.  Opportunities for parents accessing the Evolve programme (LTU) have been discussed and shaped with advice and guidance from our PES Officer who has welfare rights knowledge and experience to undertake better off and what if calculations to ensure individuals and households will be better off when moving into work.  Service Lead - Special Property Projects  The main works at Prestwick Campus are now complete and the building handed over. The demolition of the old school and final landscaping will be complete by March 2023. The main works at Maybole Campus are

# 2.5 We will ensure the Council is sufficiently resilient and adaptable to changes that affect the lives of all residents especially those in poverty

COPL 02.5a Work with partners to respond to Scotland's 'Transition to Rapid Rehousing' for homeless and potentially homeless households.	Service Lead - Housing Services	Rapid Rehousing Transition Plan (RRTP) Officer has been working with partners to identify opportunities for upstream prevention. Specific work streams are progressing for prison leavers and those entering residential rehab. There has been a consultation progressing with people who have experienced homelessness to assist in identifying opportunities for prevention and to better understand their experiences.  An ELT paper was submitted in 2022 to request 2 additional Housing First Support Worker to support the expansion of Housing First but this paper has stalled at present. Further information was requested and provided relating to the funding of the service in 2023/24.  The Housing Options Service is still working to reduce the numbers of people occupying temporary accommodation. Pressures on this service impact on the ability to achieve outcomes set in relation to reducing time spent in temporary accommodation.	60%	•	31-Mar- 2023
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COPL 02.5b Expand the Housing First service to meet the needs of people with experience of repeat homelessness and complex needs.	Service Lead - Housing Services	An ELT paper was submitted in 2022 requesting approval for an additional 2 Housing First Support Workers. This paper has not received been approved. Information has been supplied in relation to the funding arrangements for Housing First in 2023/24. Awaiting a response.  There is limited ability to expand Housing First without the staff resources to provide support to people with complex needs.	80%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 02.5c Monitor customer need and trends to provide targeted information and advice services, adapting our approach as required.	Service Lead - Organisational Development and Customer Services	During quarter 2 of 2022/ 23 the Information and Advice Hub (IAAH) handled 8,632 enquires, which is a 26% increase on quarter 2 of 2021/22. The transfer of crisis grants applications to the Scottish Welfare Fund team, as well as increased temporary staff in the Hub funded by Covid recovery funding has enabled the team to manage the increase.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 02.5d Support people who are furthest away from the labour market through each stage of the employability pipeline and into work.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	From 1st September we have registered 36 young people onto our Positive Futures Programme, within this period 4 young people have progressed to Modern Apprenticeships and 1 young person to external employment.  The 2022 Annual Participation measure was published in September 2022 and shows further improvement in 16-19 year olds in a positive destination with 93.7%compared to the national average of 92.4%.  Adult provision The "Evolve" programme for over 25's who have been 12 months or more unemployed has now been established with 39 participants taking up 6 month posts with council services and 3rd Sector partners during the period 01 April 2022 – 31 December 2022.  195 new referrals were received for the Adult Employability Programme in the period 01 April 2022 -31 December 2022 with 49 clients progressing into employment or further education within the period.  The Family Engagement team are currently supporting 76 parents/carers and have provided aftercare/in-work support to 17 parents from September – December  SALUS has co-located with Thriving Communities to continue to offer health and wellbeing support to young people and adults that we are working with.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

### 3 Grow well, live well, age well

# 3.1 We will enhance collaborative working to maximise support and ensure all residents have the opportunity to be healthy, supported and safe

COPL 03.1a Deploy and actively market technology solutions to enable collaboration. Expand and upgrade shared technology services and data sharing between the Council, the Health & Social Care Partnership and NHS Ayrshire and Arran.	Service Lead - ICT Enterprise Architecture	Microsoft 365 platform has now been deployed to all ICT users across the Council including the HSCP. The M365 project team successfully developed an on-boarding programme with each service to promote the solution, understand each service's needs and work with them as it was rolled out on a service-by-service basis. With the Council and HSCP now being on the same platform, collaboration and sharing has been improved though issues between HSCP and NHS still remain. With initial deployment to now complete, further activities beyond this Action to embed and consolidate the use of M365 across our Services are now underway, again being led by the M365 project team.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Aug- 2022
COPL 03.1b Work with partners to meet the identified housing needs of Health and Social Care Partnership service users.	Service Lead - Housing Services	There is ongoing work with the HSCP and partners to identify the housing needs of service users. Initial consultation workshops have taken place to identify draft outcomes and actions that require to be developed within the Local Housing Strategy 2023-2028 to assist this action. Further consultation will continue in 2023.	55%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 03.1c Adapt our properties to provide modern fit for purpose facilitates which can be better utilised by Services and their clients.	Service Lead - Asset Management and Community Asset Transfer	The 2021/22 programme of works to adapt properties to ensure they are modern and fit for purpose is complete.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 03.1d Work with colleagues in the South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership to improve on the management of contracts which support the health and wellbeing of South Ayrshire residents.	Service Lead - Procurement	92 contracts in total out of a projected 119 have now been issued at least one scorecard (77%) with 15 new contracts currently out for review (Q4), and the remaining 12 to be issued over Q1 (April 2023) and Q2 (July 2023). It should be noted that the number of contracts will continually change as contracts end or as new contracts are awarded. It should also be noted that it is expected these numbers may change significantly over the course of the next 3-6 months as Procurement move to align the CSM Process with the HSCP Quality Assurance Framework which asks for a minimum of one visit per year per Provider/contract.	90%	•	31-Mar- 2023

COPL 03.1e Engage with the Champions Board and care experienced young people when monitoring and renewing contracts for Children's Services.	Service Lead - Procurement	The champions board are now fully integrated with the CSM process with the Corporate Parenting Lead Officer receiving a list of all scorecards chosen for the next quarter to allow the board to identify which evaluations they would like to participate in. The board are now reviewing contracts in Q3.	100%	<b>~</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 03.1f Work in partnership to help protect vulnerable adults and those living with dementia from doorstep crime. (Protection from phone scams, mail scams and bogus callers).	Service Lead - Trading Standards and Environmental Health	From October to December 2022, 2 call blockers were installed. Working in partnership with The National Trading Standards Scams Team, 10 referrals were received about victims of mail scams whereby advice was provided to 3 contacts about them potentially being the victims of mail scams. One victim of mail scams had £100 returned from the National Trading Standards Scams Team. 11 complaints were received about scams. In partnership with members from the SAC Library team and officers from Police Scotland 4 talks, involving over 110 South Ayrshire residents were carried out raising awareness of phone and mail scams and bogus callers. Scams information was included in a Trading Standards article in the South Ayrshire Live winter edition and 4 social media releases on scams were issued.	100%	•	31-Mar- 2021
COPL 03.1g Develop and implement a Sports, Leisure and Physical Activity Strategic Framework.	Co-ordinator - Health and Wellbeing	Strategy approved through ELT and CPP. Work now progressing on performance framework. Final version complete and shared with partners.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Jul- 2021
COPL 03.1h Work in partnership to deliver the South Ayrshire Health and Social Care Partnership Strategic Plan 2018-2021.	Senior Manager - Planning and Performance (HSCP)	The revised strategic plan (2021-31) for the HSCP has been agreed (24th March 2021) and will be launched in June 2021. The plan received significant engagement and consultation with a range of partners and was presented to the council before agreement by the IJB.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2021
3.2 We will target resources to children	and those m	ost in need giving people information and choice over	support a	and serv	/ices
COPL 03.2a Work in partnership to deliver the Children's Services Plan	Director of Education	The Children's Service Annual Report will go to cabinet on 1 November 2022. Self- evaluation is currently being undertaken to develop the next plan 2023-26,	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

# 4 South Ayrshire works

4.1 We will n	nake South Ay	rshire an attractive place for inward investment			
COPL 04.1a Work with our neighbouring authorities to support the Local Wealth Building agenda.	Service Lead - Economy and Regeneration	The community wealth building resource is in place and fully operational. The workplan has been approved by Leadership Panel and the team are engaged with colleagues, in NAC/EAC. The AGD programme lead is supported by NAC, including support to the CWB commission. The programme will run for 3 years. Regular updates are provided at the Member Officer Working Group and a report for the Service and Performance Panel is scheduled for February 2023.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 04.1b Implement the Strategic Economic Plan for South Ayrshire.	Service Lead - Economy and Regeneration	Implementation complete and delivery in progress. The Strategic Economic Plan (SEP) provides the framework for mainstream service delivery. An update on progress is scheduled for Cabinet in April 2023.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 04.1c Implement the Ayrshire Growth Deal Programme.	Service Lead - Economy and Regeneration	The full implementation and delivery of the Growth Deal will continue to November 2030. An update was provided to Cabinet on 30 August 2022. The next update to Cabinet is due 28 February 2023.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
4.2 We will be ambitious when transforming		entres, making them appealing place, with enhanced s	ocial and	cultura	l events
COPL 04.2a Create a Heritage Hub on Ayr High Street and deliver a programme of exhibitions, events and tours incorporating local heritage assets.	Service Lead - Destination South Ayrshire	The Hub open on the 8th of December 2022. The recruitment for the Heritage Outreach Officer post is underway with interviews taking place 26th January 2023. Once this post is filled they will develop and deliver a program of exhibitions and tours.	95%	<u> </u>	31-Dec- 2022
COPL 04.2b Deliver the office rationalisation programme to ensure the best use of Council-owned facilities.	Service Lead - Special Property Projects	Office rationalisation projects now complete	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

# 4.3 We will enhance collaborative working to encourage more apprenticeships, training opportunities and jobs that enable economic growth

COPL 04.3a Work collaboratively to increase the level of contractual Community Benefits the Council receives and maximise their potential.	Service Lead - Procurement	Internal meetings have taken place regarding the new Community Benefit Portal with our Thriving Communities team and the SAC communications team. The portal is predicted to go live circa Feb 2023 with a communications plan being drawn up in Jan 2023 with both Procurement and Thriving Communities involvement.	85%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar 2023
COPL 04.3b Continue to support local employers to recruit young people.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Thriving Communities continue supporting local businesses to recruit young people through our Employer Recruitment Incentive.	100%	<b>~</b>	31-Mar- 2022
4.4	We will suppo	rt local businesses to develop and grow			
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COPL 04.4a Manage the Council's Commercial Property Portfolio so as to maximise rental income and help local businesses.	Service Lead - Asset Management and Community Asset Transfer	A report is being submitted to the Council's Cabinet in April 23 regarding "Transforming the Estate". This report will highlight options regarding the Council's commercial property portfolio. the tenancy of vacant properties in order to maximise rentals.	75%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
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COPL 04.4b Work with colleagues in the Supplier Development Programme (SDP) to more actively promote Council procurement to support the local economy.	Service Lead - Procurement	Procurement continue to engage with anchor institutions (i.e. NHS) to see how they can register and benefit from the Supplier Development Programme (SDP). Discussions around participation in a proposed joined up SDP event with SAC, neighbouring Councils and other anchor organisations are underway.	90%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 04.4c Target enforcement and support at non- compliant businesses to bring them into compliance and ensure that all businesses trade fairly, safely and equitably.	Service Lead - Trading Standards and Environmental Health	Officers updated on enhanced enforcement procedure. Implementing from 1st July.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

# **5 Stand up for South Ayrshire**

5.1 We will develop meaningful communication and engagement with, organisations, residents, visitors and employees to identify their needs and views, while promoting the area and achievements of the Council

COPL 05.1a Deliver on the Engagement Strategy and ensure meaningful engagement with our stakeholders	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Thriving Communities continue to support engagement and consultation. Alongside the Consultation Institute facilitated a session for Elected Members on 25 <sup>th</sup> January 2023.  A log of consultations will be published in April 2023 noting all consultations that have taken place.	95%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 05.1b Develop a clear and recognisable brand to promote the vision and values of the council and to align with the council plan.	Service Lead - Organisational Development and Customer Services	Clear brand for our purpose vision and commitments has been created and embedded in a range of ways, including on internal and external documentation e.g. signage; social media; video; SAC Live Magazine; Council vans; refuse collection vehicles; and an increasing range of vinyl displays. Most recently vinyls have been installed in County Buildings.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
5.2 We will work with partners a	and communit	ies to develop thriving places that are positive, proud	and amb	itious	
COPL 05.2a Support local community-controlled organisations to develop thriving places by empowering them to make better use of local community assets.		Asset Management continue to work in conjunction with Thriving Communities and local community groups interested in taking ownership or lease of our assets.	75%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
COPL 05.2b Deliver the Council's `Strategic Housing Investment Plan' (SHIP) in conjunction with partners.	Director of Housing Operations and Development	160 units on site at Mainholm. In development are 90 units at Riverside, 42 units at St Ninians PS.	75%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023
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COPL 05.2c In consultation with stakeholders prepare and deliver the Local Development Plan 2	Service Lead - Planning & Building Standards	The Scottish Government approved the document on the 30th of June 2022	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 05.2d Engage with our communities and work with them to ensure our service provision meets their needs and, through our approach to place planning, support communities to have a greater say in how services are delivered.	Service Lead - Thriving Communities	Thriving Communities are currently recruiting an officer that will be responsible for Place Planning. The development of the plans previously sat under economy and regeneration, this will now sit under Thriving Communities.  It is hoped plans will be published between March and June 2023.	80%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Mar- 2023

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COPL 05.2e Actively engage with local communities and stakeholders to involve them in the design process for major capital projects and understand their aspirations and concerns.	Service Lead - Special Property Projects	Pre-application planning process during which the public were able to provide feedback/comments on the emerging leisure centre designs was completed at the start of 2022. A report on the virtual event (including feedback/comments) was included in the planning submission for the new leisure centre which was subsequently approved March 2022.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mai 2022
5 3 We wi	II promote So	uth Ayrshire as a place to live, work and learn			
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COPL 05.3a Maximise the use of social media as a key proactive, interactive and reactive communications tool.	Service Lead - Organisational Development and Customer Services	The recent introduction of the Next Door social media platform, as well as an increased presence on existing channels has helped us to significantly increase followers across our corporate channels to 52,922.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 05.3b Develop and implement a Communication Strategy.	Service Lead - Organisational Development and Customer Services	The new SAC Communications strategy was approved by Leadership Panel on 15 September, and issued to Service Leads on 22 September, along with a short video summarising the way our approach to communication is changing in line with the strategy. Service Leads have been asked to proactively promote information which demonstrates how we are 'Making a Difference' or contributes to the way we are achieving any of the 6 commitments of the Council plan. The Communications strategy will be in place until a new 5-year strategy is developed to align with the new council plan. The strategy has been fully implemented.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar 2022
5.4 V	Ve will promot	te South Ayrshire as a visitor destination			
COPL 05.4a Develop and implement a Tourism Strategy for South Ayrshire.	Service Lead - Destination South Ayrshire	The Destination South Ayrshire Tourism and Events strategy was approved at Leadership Panel on 1 March 2022 and an implementation plan is now in place.	100%	<b>✓</b>	30-Jun- 2021
COPL 05.4b Work with the other Ayrshire Councils to promote Ayrshire and Arran and develop further initiatives to promote South Ayrshire, the main population centres and surrounding areas as visitor destinations.	Service Lead - Destination South Ayrshire	The Action Plan continues to be developed. There is an agreed draft strategy in place. Chief Executives and Leaders from the 3 Ayrshire local authorities met with industry representatives from AAVELG on 16/01/2023 to discuss.	95%	<b>&gt;</b>	30-Dec- 2022

COPL 05.4c Develop and promote our Parks and Open Spaces as a destination venue for visitors and residents.	Service Lead - Neighbourhood Services	The service gained an additional green flag in 2022 which takes the total number for South Ayrshire to five sites. In addition to this Belleisle Estate has retained the Green Heritage Site Accreditation. This accreditation is given in recognition of achieving the required standard in the management and interpretation of a site with local or national historic importance. To receive Green Heritage Site Accreditation sites must also achieve Green Flag Award. We are now looking at gaining further green flag awards and are currently looking at a number of sites for 2022/23.  We are still working towards a bespoke Parks and Estates website to promote what our Parks and Estates have to offer to both residents and visitors. A contractor was appointed to shoot some drone footage of our parks throughout the different seasons, with both video and still footage for the website. This stalled due to potential GDPR implications however this has now been resolved. We have had some issues with the still photography element however this has now been ratified. We had initially anticipated the website to be up and running for the end of 2022 however this has now been put back to Easter 2023.	95%		31-Dec- 2022
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#### 6 A better place to live

## 6.1 We will create a greener, healthier South Ayrshire and enhance it for future generations

COPL 06.1a Implement the Council's Investment Strategy with the delivery of capital projects across the Council's Property Estate.	Service Lead -	As at 31 <sup>st</sup> December, 2022, draft spend of £64,624,973 has been achieved on the General Services Capital Programme, representing 64.85% of the full approved budget for 2022/23. A re-profiling exercise will be undertaken through the P9 Capital Monitoring Report.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 06.1b Progress a programme of Energy Projects for Council properties that will reduce energy usage and deliver carbon reduction.	Service Lead - Asset Management and Community Asset Transfer	LED lighting project at Southcraig school was completed in August 2022. External lighting upgrades will be completed at Holmston PS, Muirhead PS, Braehead PS, Kincaidston PS, Struthers PS, Heathfield PS, St Patricks PS, Forehill PS and Hillcrest. Electric sub metering has been installed in Kyle Academy. New Building Management System (BMS) software has been installed allowing improved remote access and management of building heating controls. BMS healthcheck surveys are being carried out at a number of large energy consuming sites to identify improvements that will lead to energy/carbon reduction savings.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

COPL 06.1c Maximise the funding available to improve the energy efficiency of our existing housing stock.	Service Lead Housing Services	We have received $\pounds 1.6$ million for financial year 2022/23 and have proposed projects that will include properties in Dailly/Girvan, Swedish Timbers in Dalmilling and scoping potential projects in the Lochside area.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 06.1d Work with our tenants and community representatives to improve our neighbourhoods through investment in Housing owned land and buildings.	Service Lead - Housing Services	Work is practically complete on the 2020/21 external fabric upgrade projects which were delayed by Covid-19 restrictions and additional addresses were also added to those programmes of work in response to emergency situations. The contractor has been appointed and work commenced onsite on 13 June 2022 on the combined 2021/22 & 2022/23 external fabric upgrade programme (roofing and external render works). Owner engagement work is continuing with owners in mixed tenure blocks. In 2022/23, an initial batch of 248 properties were identified for window replacement, surveys have been completed and work is nearing completion for this group of properties. In November 2022, a further batch of 82 properties were identified for window replacement work, surveys are underway and work is underway onsite.  Modernisation works have been reprogrammed, ensuring that the Council continues to maintain the Scottish Housing Quality Standard. Compliance works are ongoing, work towards the Fire and Carbon Monoxide standards and fixed electrical testing of electrics are progressing well. As at 31 December 2022 the Council had achieved a compliance rate of 99% for fire and carbon monoxide standards and 98% for fixed electrical testing in council owned properties. Work is ongoing by Officers to increase compliance and engage with tenants to arrange the necessary access to remaining properties.  As part of the last consultation with tenants on future rent setting, tenants were asked to identify the improvements that were important to them and to identify how they felt the Council should spend any unallocated resources within the Housing Revenue Account. Tenants identified window replacement, external wall insulation work and resources towards Council house new build as their top 3 priorities for investment. This feedback was considered as part of the future rent setting proposals approved by the Special Meeting of South Ayrshire Council on 20 January 2021. In line with the priorities identified by tenants, approval was given by Council to	99%		31-Mar- 2023

		Although ongoing progress is being made against this action, work to deliver the housing capital programme in consultation with tenants will remain an ongoing activity for the Housing Service.			
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COPL 06.1e Deliver contracts which better support sustainability and an improved environment in South	Service Lead - Procurement	Discussions are still taking place regarding options for Scope 3 emissions solutions both internally and with neighbouring councils.	90%		31-Mar <sup>.</sup> 2023
Ayrshire.	Procurement	Procurement are tracking sustainable clauses within contracts on a quarterly basis and processes are in place for monitoring purchases of sustainable items via ORACLE.			2023
COPL 06.1f Raise awareness of the effects of car idling on air quality and climate change and the penalties for breaching the Road Traffic (Vehicle Emissions) (Fixed Penalty) (Scotland) Regulations 2003 through a programme of publicity.	Service Lead - Trading Standards and Environmental Health	Nine patrols were undertaken in quarter three, these were primarily around schools.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
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COPL 06.1g Progress the rationalisation and enhancement of assets in North Ayr, including working with local sporting and community organisations to develop the Craigie Campus site as a multi-sport centre of excellence.	Co-ordinator – Sport and Leisure	The new Riverside Sports Arena is now partially opened pending final stage 4 building warrant being signed off. Facility staff are now appointed with clubs and users making full use of the outdoor track, changing facilities and new 3G pitch. Once the final handover is complete, the indoor track, grandstand and judges/control room will become operational.	95%	<b>&gt;</b>	31-Dec- 2022
COPL 06.1h Implement the Sustainable Development and Climate Change Strategy	Service Lead - Neighbourhood Services	The Sustainable Development & Climate Change strategy has been implemented with the Council working towards the goals and actions set out within the strategy.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 06.1i Develop and implement a Waste Strategy that increases recycling and identifies a long term solution for Household Waste Recycling Centres and for residual waste in terms of the ban on Biodegradable Waste to landfill in 2025.	Service Lead - Neighbourhood Services	The Waste Strategy was initially approved at Leadership Panel on 16 March 2021 and was ratified at full Council on 24 June 2021	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 06.1j Develop and facilitate delivery of the Food Growing Strategy in accordance with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.	Service Lead - Neighbourhood Services	The first South Ayrshire Council Food Growing Strategy was approved at the Leadership Panel on 24/11/20	100%	<b>V</b>	31-Mar- 2022

# 6.2 We will ensure our digital offer is responsive people's needs and enhances access to services COPL 06.2a Develop mobile solutions for our workforce, people in the company to the people

COPL 06.2a Develop mobile solutions for our workforce, enabling them to deliver more to our residents in the community.	Service Lead - ICT Enterprise Architecture	Bring Your Own Device being revised following review/comments	97%		31-Oct- 2022
COPL 06.2b Provide public access Wi-Fi in Council buildings across the area.	Service Lead - ICT Operations	Public access Wi-Fi has been deployed to 23 council locations and is fully operational. The basic service allows internet and email access and this can be extended to other locations as required. Should a higher level of functionality be required alternative solutions will be implemented as per business requirements.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022
COPL 06.2c Adopt MyAccount as a single sign on for customers to get online.	Service Lead - ICT Enterprise Architecture; Service Lead - ICT Operations	MyAccount is now live on South Ayrshire Council's website under the heading MySouthAyrshire	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2021
COPL 06.2d E Development roll out to improve the Planning and Building Standards processes and customer service	Service Lead - Planning & Building Standards	New processes have been implemented and staff have hybrid and agile working arrangements. The service continues to make improvements, and these will be actioned through the service and improvement plan.	100%	<b>✓</b>	31-Mar- 2022

# **Council Plan Performance Report Oct – Dec 2022 (Qtr 3)**

#### 1 Fair and effective leadership

#### 1.1 We will design our services with people at the heart

CPL 1.03 Number of visitors to Archive

s		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
	Q1 2022/23	N/A		?	?
	Q2 2022/23	49		?	?
	Q3 2022/23	43		?	•

Coordinator -Records and Information

There have been 43 visitors during Quarter 3 (October - December) 2022. This number is a slight reduction of 6 visitors from the previous quarter as the Ayrshire Archives were closed to the public over the Christmas and New Year period.

Registration | The Archives service continues to be open on a Tuesday by appointment at South Harbour Street, working with a range of members of the public and academic researchers.

Governance Ahead of each appointment, Archives staff will work with members of the public to establish what archives they wish to access, establish if these are held, and support the customer in retrieving the archives ahead of the appointment.

#### 1.4 We will adapt our services to reduce inequalities and help the most vulnerable in our communities

CPL 1.08 Number of tenancies created - SAC Social Letting Service

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	1		?	?
Q2 2022/23	3		?	•

Private Officer

Sector and Work continues to try and market for further procurement from Private Landlord Landlords, and we are currently going through a vacancy management Registration process for a new member of staff.

	Q3 2022/23	3	?	-

#### 2 Closing the gap

#### 2.5 We will ensure the Council is sufficiently resilient and adaptable to changes that affect the lives of all residents especially those in poverty

CPL 2.08 Number of households receiving support - Housing First

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	33		?	?
Q2 2022/23	32		?	•
Q3 2022/23	33		?	1

Policy Officer Target is 41. Awaiting approval of an ELT paper for the recruitment of two additional posts to support expansion.

#### 3 Grow well, live well, age well

#### 3.1 We will enhance collaborative working to maximise support and ensure all residents have the opportunity to be healthy, supported and safe

CPL 3.05 Number of successfully completed Property projects

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	8		?	?
Q2 2022/23	10		?	•
Q3 2022/23	6		?	•

Service Lead Asset Management and Community Asset Transfer

Service Lead There were six projects completed during Q3 including:

Management Dukes Road, Depot - Structural Survey

Community | Fire Alarm Replacements - Various Locations

Distribution Board replacement/renewal at Hillcrest HFE and Girvan Academy

CPL 3.05a Overall spend on completed Property projects

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	£0,180,737.		?	?
Q2 2022/23	£0,347,503.		?	1

Service Lead
Asset
Management
and
Community
Asset

Management Six projects have been completed within Q3 with an overall spend of and £141,335.

		00				Transfer	
	Q3 2022/23	£0,141,334. 61		?	•		
						- -	
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend	Service Lead Asset Management and Community	
CPL 3.06 Number of	Q1 2022/23	2		?	?		Three projects have been completed relating to Lift upgrades, Holmston PS
successfully completed Capital Accessibility projects	Q2 2022/23	2		?	-		internal adaptations and Invergarven external area improvements.
	Q3 2022/23	3		?	1	Asset Transfer	
						1	
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend	Service Lead Asset Management and Community	
CPL 3.06a Overall spend on	Q1 2022/23	£030,735		?	?		Three projects have been completed with an overall spend of £54,500
Capital Accessibility projects	Q2 2022/23	£047,557		?			
	Q3 2022/23	£054,500		?		Asset Transfer	
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend	Service Lead Procurement	contracts end or as new contracts are awarded. It should also be noted that it is expected these numbers may change significantly over the course of t
CPL 3.07 % of HSCP contracts managed and	Q1 2022/23	64%		?	?		
monitored by Procurement Services	Q2 2022/23	63%		?	1		
35.7.335	Q3 2022/23	77%		?	1		next 3-6 months as Procurement move to align the Contract and Supplier Management (CSM) Process with the HSCP Quality Assurance Framework which asks for a minimum of one visit per year per Provider/contract.
							which asks for a minimum of one visit per year per Provider/Contract.
CPL 3.08 % of Children's		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend		
Services contracts with Champions Board	Q1 2022/23	100%		?	?	Service Lead Procurement	The Champions Board receiving a list of balanced scorecards is now standard practice each quarter. The champions board are able to select which
involvement in developing contract criteria and	Q2 2022/23	100%		?	-		be included as the process is updated in line with any HSCP Quality
monitoring contract deliver.	Q3 2022/23	100%		?	-		Assurance Framework updates.
						<u>'</u>	
SO3.5 04 No. of elderly and		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend	Service I	From October to December 2022, 2 call blockers were installed, 10 referrals

vulnerable people whose
awareness was raised in
relation to phone/mail
scams and bogus callers

Q1 2022/23	28	?	?
Q2 2022/23	33	?	1
Q3 2022/23	133	?	1

Lead Trading

were received from the National Trading Standards Scams team and of these, advice was provided to 3 contacts about the resident potentially being the Standards victims of mail scams. 1 victim of mail scams had £100 returned from the National Trading Standards Scams Team. 11 complaints were received about Environmen scams and 4 talks involving over 110 South Ayrshire residents were carried tal Health out raising awareness of phone and mail scams and bogus callers. Scams information was included in a Trading Standards article in the South Ayrshire Live winter edition and 4 social media releases on scams were issued.

SO4.2 12 No. of vulnerable adults protected from telephone scam activity

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	7		?	?
Q2 2022/23	7		?	-
Q3 2022/23	117		?	•

Trading Health

Service Lead From October to December 2022, the Service dealt with 7 enquiries regarding nuisance calls. As a result of this Officers installed 2 call Standards and blockers and another referral for installation is being progressed. 4 talks Environmental involving over 110 South Ayrshire residents were carried out raising awareness of phone scams.

#### **4 South Ayrshire works**

#### 4.2 We will be ambitious when transforming our town centres, making them appealing place, with enhanced social and cultural events

CPL 4.01 No of visitors to the Heritage Hub

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	0		?	?
Q2 2022/23	0		?	
Q3 2022/23	145		?	1

Service Lead South Ayrshire

Destination There have been 145 visitors to The Heritage Hub since it opened.

CPL 4.02 Attendance Heritage Hub tours and events

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	0		?	?
Q2 2022/23	0		?	-
Q3 2022/23	0		?	

Service Lead South Ayrshire

The interviews for The Heritage Outreach Officer take place on the 26th of Jan 2023. Once this person is in place they will lead on the planning of a program Destination of tours and content.

#### 4.3 We will enhance collaborative working to encourage more apprenticeships, training opportunities and jobs that enable economic growth

SO6.2 06 Number of Council
contracts awarded which
contain a community benefit
contain a community benefit

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	27		?	?
Q2 2022/23	25		?	•
Q3 2022/23	10		?	<b>₽</b>

Ten out of a total of 66 contracts (15%) were awarded which contained a Community Benefit clause. The remaining contracts were either direct Service Lead awards, or awards through the Annex 2 process, which do not have a Procurement | Community Benefits question included as standard. They are not subject to the same documentation as a full tender exercise hence the reduction in percentage for this quarter

#### **5 Stand up for South Ayrshire**

#### 5.2 We will work with partners and communities to develop thriving places that are positive, proud and ambitious

CPL 5.07 Number of affordable housing units in progress

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	304	150		?
Q2 2022/23	292	150		•
Q3 2022/23	277	150	<b>②</b>	•

Coordinator Housing

160 units on site at Mainholm

75 units in development at Riverside

(New Build) | 42 units in development at St Ninians

#### 6 A better place to live

#### 6.1 We will create a greener, healthier South Ayrshire and enhance it for future generations

CPL 6.04a Number of contracts awarded where compliance with climate change duties was a key factor

	Value	Target	Status	Short Trend
Q1 2022/23	27		?	?

Service Lead 23 out of a total of 66 contracts (35%) were awarded which contained Procurement compliance with climate change duties as a key factor.

	Q2 2022/23	24		?	•		
	Q3 2022/23	23		?	•		
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend		
CPL 6.06 Number of visits	Q1 2022/23	0		?	?	Service Lea Trading	
to schools for car idling enforcement	Q2 2022/23	0		?	-	Environmen	nd School idling patrols recommenced in November tal
	Q3 2022/23	9		?	1	Health	
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend		We are not in a position to increase the electric vehicle (EVs) fleet as we are at the limit of available charge points. There is also a funding issue which is a
CPL 6.08 Number of electric fleet vehicles in use by the	Q1 2022/23	66		?	?	Assistant Director	national problem with other authorities finding that EVs are 2 to 3 times more expensive to lease than their ICE (internal combustion engine) counterparts.
Council	Q2 2022/23	66		?		Housing and	The Council needs to find substantial funding investment, to increase the EV charging network before we purchase further vehicles. Learning lessons from
	Q3 2022/23	66			?	Operations	other local authorities, it is important to ensure the infrastructure is in place before the procuring additional vehicles.
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend		
CPL 6.09 Number of public	Q1 2022/23	10		?	?	Ayrshire	04-Jan-2023 There are now 36 chargers across the network giving 79 public
electric charging points across South Ayrshire	Q2 2022/23	77		?		Roads Alliance	points.
	Q3 2022/23	79		?	1		
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend		
CPL 6.10 Amount of household waste sent to	Q1 2022/23	N/A		?	?	Assistant Director	Figures will not be verified from SEPA until October therefore we are unable to report these until they are verified.
landfill	Q2 2022/23	N/A		?	?	Housing and	report these until they are verifical.
	Q3 2022/23				?	Operations	
CPL 6.11 Number of Allotment plots available		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend	Assistant Director	There has been no further increase in the number of allotment holders across South Ayrshire with 344 allotment plots and 10 raised bed plots available.

	Q1 2022/23	354		?	?	Housing and		
	Q2 2022/23	354		?	-	Operations		
	Q3 2022/23	354			?			
						1		
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend			
SO5.3 01 Proportion of the agreed Housing Capital	Q1 2022/23	4%		?	?	Service		To the end of Ledger Period 9 (1st April to 31st December, 2022) draft
Programme that was delivered during the year	Q2 2022/23	12%		?			expenditure on the Housing Capital Programme stood at 43.16% (spend of £15,645,318 on a base budget of £36,253,526)	
,	Q3 2022/23	43%		?	1			
		Value	Target	Status	Short Trend			
SO6.1 03 Proportion of the agreed Non-Housing Capital	Q1 2022/23	11%		?	?	Service	Service Lead	To the end of Ledger Period 9 (1st April to 31st December, 2022) draft
	Q2 2022/23	34%		?		Drofoccional	expenditure on the Non-Housing Capital Programme stood at 64.85% (spend of £64,624,973 on a base budget of £99,646,883)	
	Q3 2022/23	65%		?				

#### **South Ayrshire Council**

# Report by Director of Strategic Change and Communities to Service and Performance Panel of 7 March 2023

Subject: South Ayrshire Council Gaelic Language Plan (GLP)

Annual Monitoring Report to Bord na Gaidhlig 2021-

2022

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Service and Performance Panel on the South Ayrshire Gaelic Language Plan – Annual Monitoring Report 2022.

#### 2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that the Panel scrutinises the South Ayrshire Gaelic Language Plan 2020-2025 Annual Monitoring Report, submitted to Bòrd na Gàidhlig in February 2023 for the reporting period 2021 – 2022 (Appendix 1).

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Council's Gaelic Language Plan (GLP) 2020-2025 was prepared under Section 3 of the Gaelic Language (Scotland) Act 2005 and was approved by Bòrd na Gàidhlig on 27 October 2020:
  - 3.1.1 South Ayrshire's GLP details how the Council will work to support the objectives of the National Plan for Gaelic over the next five years and meet the Council's obligations in a way that ensures its communities, stakeholders and partners can recognise its ongoing progress to promote and use Gaelic.
  - 3.1.2 As per the statutory guidance, annual reports are submitted by public bodies for consideration by the Bòrd na Gàidhlig.
- 3.2 The 2021-2022 Annual Report was submitted to Bord na Gàidhlig in February 2023 following approval at Cabinet on 15 February 2023.

#### 4. Proposals

4.1 It is proposed that Members scrutinise the contents of the South Ayrshire Gaelic Language Plan Annual Monitoring Report for 2021/22. Any concerns or issues will be passed to the relevant services as with other performance reports.

#### 5. Legal and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 The recommendations in this report are consistent with legal requirements and reflect appropriate advice.
- 5.2 The recommendations in this report are consistent with procurement requirements and reflect appropriate advice.

#### 6. Financial Implications

6.1 Not applicable.

#### 7. Human Resources Implications

7.1 Not applicable.

#### 8. Risk

#### 8.1 Risk Implications of Adopting the Recommendations

8.1.1 There are no risks associated with adopting the recommendations.

#### 8.2 Risk Implications of Rejecting the Recommendations

8.2.1 Rejecting the recommendations may impact on the reputation of the Council.

#### 9. Equalities

9.1 The proposals in this report have been assessed through the Equality Impact Assessment Scoping process. There are no significant potential positive or negative equality impacts of agreeing the recommendations and therefore an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required. A copy of the Equalities Scoping Assessment is attached as Appendix 2.

#### 10. Sustainable Development Implications

10.1 Considering Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) - This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme or strategy or document otherwise described which could be considered to constitute a plan, programme, policy or strategy.

#### 11. Options Appraisal

11.1 An options appraisal has not been carried out in relation to the subject matter of this report.

#### 12. Link to Council Plan

12.1 The matters referred to in this report contribute to Commitment 1 of the Council Plan: Fair and Effective Leadership/ Leadership that promotes fairness.

#### 13. Results of Consultation

13.1 There has been no public consultation on the contents of this report.

13.2 Consultation has taken place with Councillor Lee Lyons, Portfolio Holder for Health and Social Care, and the contents of this report reflect any feedback provided.

Background Papers South Ayrshire Council Gaelic Language Plan 2020-2025

Report to Cabinet of 15 February 2023 – <u>South Ayrshire</u> Council Gaelic Language Plan (GLP) Annual Monitoring

Report to Bòrd na Gàidhlig 2021-2022

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## **BÒRD NA GÀIDHLIG**

### **FOIRM DÀTA BLIADHNAIL 2021-2022 ANNUAL RETURN FORM 2021-2022**

Ainm na buidhne **Organisation's name**  **SOUTH AYRSHIRE COUNCIL** 

### Prìomh Dhàta Measaidh **Primary Indicator Data**

Fios bhon Phoball Communications from the Public	Cia mheud brath sgrìobhte a fhuair am buidheann bhon phoball ann an Gàidhlig ambliadhna? How many written communications have the organisation received from the public in Gaelic this year?	New software being introduced September 2021 for reporting items on Council website. Working with ICT to have the mechanism to record this on new system  Raised awareness within E&D updates to request Equalities Officer is advised of such communications
A' sgaoileadh fiosrachaidh	Cia mheud pìos a sgaoil am buidheann air na meadhanan sòisealta ann an Gàidhlig ambliadhna? How many posts did the organisation distribute on social media in Gaelic this year?	None – this would be done at the request of services. No requests received by the Communications Team.
Dissemination of information	Cia mheud fios-naidheachd a chaidh a sgaoileadh leis a' bhuidheann anns a' Ghàidhlig ambliadhna? How many press releases did the organisation publish in Gaelic this year?	Primary pupils published three articles for South Ayrshire Council LIVE, the interactive e-newsletter for the Council and the community.

Luchd-obrach Staff	Cia meud neach-obrach a fhuair cothrom trèanaidh ann an sgilean Gàidhlig ambliadhna? How many staff received Gaelic skills training this year?	3 Primary school teachers completed GLPS training 2 Education staff achieved A passes at SQA Higher 1 member of education staff achieved SQA National 5	
	Cia mheud dreuchd a th' agaibh an-dràsta far a bheil Gàidhlig ann mar sgil riatanach? How many posts do you currently have where Gaelic is an essential skill?	2 part time Gaelic Development Officer posts in Education	
	Cia mheud neach-obrach a th' agaibh an-dràsta aig a bheil sgilean Gàidhlig? How many staff currently within the organisation have Gaelic skills?	A further 3 education members of staff in the past year have studied Gaelic through the GLPS programme. This takes the number of teachers with Gaelic language skills through this route to 19.	

Foillseachaidhean Publications	Cia mheud foillseachadh a dh'fhoillsich am buidheann gu dà-chananach am-bliadhna? How many organisational publications have been published bilingually (Gaelic and English) this year?	The South Ayrshire Council Gaelic Language Plan 2020-2025  SAC Gaelic Language Plan GA  ELIC 002.pdf (south-ayrshire.gov.uk)  Articles within the SAC LIVE magazine featuring pupil's work in schools using Gaelic.
Inbhe Status	Cia mheud soidhne dà- chànanach a chuir am buidheann an àirde am- bliadhna? How many bilingual signs has the organisation erected this year?	2 new School Campus have bilingual Welcome signs within Reception have been erected (completion date was by October 2021)  In April 2021, Ayrshire Roads Alliance installed 24 new gateway signs incorporating Gaelic in the following locations: Kirkmichael (4no.), Dunure (2no.), Fisherton (3no.), Straiton (4no.), Old Dailly (2no.), Dailly (3no.), Maidens (2no.) and Crosshill (4no.).

### Prìomhachasan a' Phlana Cànain Nàiseanta Gàidhlig **National Gaelic Language Plan Priorities**

#### Cleachdadh na Gaidhlig / Using Gaelic

Ciamar a tha a' bhuidhinn a' toirt fàs air cleachdadh na Gàidhlig? How is the organisation increasing the use of Gaelic?

- Gaelic Language Plan 2020-2025 promoted across the Council which has given rise to some staff interested in learning or using Gaelic
- Bilingual signatories introduced and some Gaelic used in emails by a few members of staff within salutations and complimentary close.

#### Ionnsachadh na Gàidhlig / Learning Gaelic

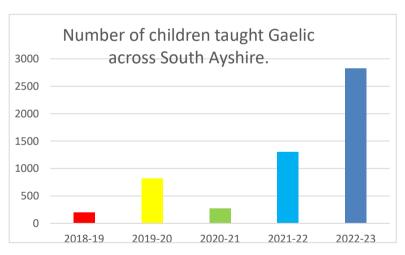
Ciamar a tha a' bhuidhinn a' toirt fàs air ionnsachadh na Gaidhlig?

How is the organisation increasing the learning of Gaelic?

- There are pages available which provide links to external organisations which promote Gaelic and contain links to learning resources.
- Education promote all national and local Gaelic Language learning opportunities to all education staff through the CLPL bulletin.
- Six primary schools will be delivering Gaelic Language learning from Early years/P1-7 this session (a 100% increase on last year) supported by a Gaelic Development Officer or Fèisean nan Gàidheal.
- Resources developed by the Gaelic Development Officers and shared via South Ayrshire

Languages blog: weaving project music resources (being further developed into a resource pack for schools); additional song resources (PDFs of music/lyrics, audio recordings and backing tracks); video lessons; Gaelic Thinglinks and Online Gaelic Games.

- A Microsoft TEAM has been created to support Brochan Beag, an Early Years project using active learning, games and activities to explore the Gaelic language and embed it in a fun way. Each lesson also has age appropriate and repetitive songs using rhythm and other musical activities. Resources created to support delivery were: Key Language Videos for each lesson to aid with the pronunciation and other aspects of the language; recorded videos of all the songs; MP3 audio and backing tracks; posters; flashcards and game cards. Finger puppets and other materials have been purchased for loan to Early Years Centres across the authority delivering Brochan. Hard copies of this pack are being distributed across the Authority on a rolling programme.
- Pilot and evaluation of the Brochan programme in two EYCs has been successful- other EYCs coming on board.
- Brochan is being delivered in at least another 4 Early Years Centres this session supported by the Development Officers.
- GLEANS (Gaelic Learners Education Authority Network Scotland) is a cross authority network developed by one of our Gaelic Development Officers in conjunction with development officers from Highland and Fife to network with people involved in GLE and share resources etc. Challenges are set with GLPS topics for pupils to engage with at home and at school. Pupils record the challenge activity on video or other medium (eg using Toontastic, socpuppets etc) to be shared with all who engage in the challenges. There has been a good uptake across Scotland. This year there are four challenges, if a school completes all 4 they get a gold award. https://sites.google.com/view/gleans-home/dachaigh.
- GLEANS: 4 schools in SAC were involved last session with 2 achieving a Gold Award.
- CLPL: An online CLPL session related to the Brochan project was made available to all early years education staff last session.
- Gaelic development officers are working in schools with pupils and staff. Teaching staff are expected to remain within lessons to aid development of Gaelic language and modelled lessons. Use of Gaelic language is steadily increasing within target schools and is beginning to be normalized through daily routine, signage and encouraging the use of Gaelic language on a daily basis.



#### A'cur air adhart na Gàidhlig / Promoting Gaelic

Ciamar a tha a' buidhinn a' cur deagh iomhaigh air adhart airson na Gàidhlig? How is the organisation promoting a positive image of Gaelic?

- Education is working on a Gaelic showcase to promote a positive image/liaise with local community within South Ayrshire. We anticipate including as many schools as possible that have had Gaelic input over the past few years. We plan to hold the event in Ayr Town Hall for a full day, with Gaelic information on hand, workshops, a concert and other ways to promote the language. It is anticipated that invited guests from Council, partners and outside agencies will have an overall positive view of Gaelic within South Ayrshire. This is an ongoing project aiming for completion in March next year.
- Gaelic Language Plan promoted via social media and press release (8th June 2021)
- Bilingual signatures being used by staff across the Council and more staff now adopting this, particularly to contacts out with the Council

- Equality Champions have further raised awareness to their own colleagues how to implement the Gaelic signatures on their emails via the appropriate ICT tool
- Use of South Ayrshire Council LIVE to promote interest in GLE in primary schools
- Use of twitter to promote Gaelic learning activities and some video lessons have been uploaded to YouTube, accessed through the SAC Languages blog

#### Fiosrachadh dearcnachaidh eile

### Other monitoring information

#### A' brosnachadh Foghlam Gàidhlig

**Promotion of Gaelic Education** 

Chan fheum ach Ùghdarrasan Ionadail seo a lìonadh a-steach For Local Authorities only to complete

Fo Earrainn 15 de dh'Achd an Fhoghlaim (Alba) 2016, feumaidh ùghdarrasan ionadail aig a bheil foghlam Gàidhlig anns an sgìre aca seo a shanasachd ann an dòigh iomchaidh. Feumaidh gach ùghdarras ionadail sanasachd a dhèanamh air na còraichean a th' aig pàrantan gus tagradh a dhèanamh airson foghlam Gàidhlig aig ìre na bun-sgoile agus foghlam luchd-ionnsachaidh na Gàidhlig a stèidheachadh. Ciamar a tha sibh a' coileanadh an dleastanais seo?

Under Section 15 of the Education (Scotland) Act 2016, local authorities which already provide Gaelic education in their area must take reasonable steps to promote this. All local authorities must take reasonable steps to promote the rights which parents have under the Act to make a request for Gaelic Medium Primary Education and the potential provision of Gaelic Learner Education. Could you tell us how you are undertaking this?

Any parent of a young person who is interested in Gaelic Medium Education can contact Education Services through the Council website or email. If enough interest is shown, a feasibility study will be conducted to look at the establishment of a Gaelic Medium Unit, its location, staffing etc. At present, any young people who have expressed a desire to be educated full time in Gaelic Medium are provided transport by the Council to attend Sgoil na Coille Nuaidh at the William MacIllvanney Campus in Kilmarnock within East Ayrshire local authority area

Queen Margaret Academy in Ayr has a dedicated Gaelic teaching room to be used for both Gaelic Learners Education or perhaps some form of Gaelic Medium Education.

## Pàrantan Corporra Corporate Parenting

Chan fheum ach Pàrantan Corporra seo a lìonadh a-steach
For Corporate Parents only to complete

Am b' urrainn dhuibh dàta a thoirt dhuinn air an àireimh de dhaoine òga le Gàidhlig a tha, no a tha air a bhith, fo chùram a tha clàraichte leis an Ùghdarras.

Please provide data on the number of Gaelic-speaking care experienced young people registered with the Authority.

There are currently no Gaelic-speaking care experienced young people registered with South Ayrshire Council.

Please provide information on activities or opportunities you provide for Gaelic- speaking care experienced young people.

Provision will be made available where applicable, for care experienced young people.

#### **Co-ionannachd Equalities**

Bu chòir don a h-uile buidheann seo a lìonadh a-steach For all organisations to complete

An do chomharraich an t-ùghdarras poblach agaibh cùisean sònraichte sam bith cocheangailte ri co-ionannachd chothroman a thaobh leasachadh na Gàidhlig? Has your public authority identified any particular issues relating to equality of opportunity with regard to the development of Gaelic language?

Our local authority has many rural schools and the development of online resources can be used to support these rural schools with Gaelic language learning.

As very few people use Gaelic across South Ayrshire, there is not a demand or the capacity to develop greatly but is always prepared to further develop when possible and ensure equality of opportunity.

Gaelic training modules are available on the Council COAST e-learning site, which would only be available to staff who have access to the internet.

A bheil poileasaidhean, modhan-obrach no dòighean-obrach sam bith co-cheangailte ri co-ionannachd a chaidh a chur an gnìomh leis an ùghdarras phoblach agaibh, no a tha gan cur an gnìomh an-dràsta, a bhuineas ri bhith a' cur co-ionannachd chothroman air adhart an lùib leasachadh na Gàidhlig? An inns sibh dhuinn mun deidhinn? Are there any equalities policies, procedures or measures that have been implemented by your public authority, or are in the process of being implemented, that are relevant to advancing the equality of opportunity in the development of Gaelic language? Can you tell us about them?

Education Services have applied each year for grant funding from Scottish Government under the Grants for Gaelic Education (Scotland) Regulations 1986 and have had further funding from South Ayrshire Council to further Gaelic language programmes as detailed throughout this report.

Equalities has been given a dedicated Council budget to promote and raise awareness of Equality and Diversity and further enhance the use of Gaelic across the local authority.

Education Services have linked with Equalities and the Programme Developer for the new school campuses to ensure bilingual Welcome signage is incorporated within any current and future developments

A bheil eisimpleirean ann de cheumannan sònraichte a ghabh sibh gus piseach a thoirt air in- ghabhail agus com-pàirteachas a tha air obrachadh gu sònraichte math a thaobh leasachadh na Gàidhlig taobh a-staigh an ùghdarrais phoblaich agaibh? An inns sibh dhuinn nam biodh sibh toilichte nan sgaoileadh Bòrd na Gàidhlig na h-eisimpleirean agaibh agus nan dèanamaid sanasachd orra.

Are there examples of implementing specific measures to improve inclusivity or engagement that have worked particularly well regarding Gaelic language development for your public authority? Please indicate if you would be happy for Bòrd na Gàidhlig to share and promote the examples provided.

N/A

G – Implemented O – In progress R – Not implemented (add narrative)	Corporate Service Aims	
Àrd Phrionnsabalan	Overarching Principles	
Spèis Cho-ionann A h-uile gealladh anns a' phlana Ghàidhlig air a lìbhrigeadh dhan aon ìre anns a' Ghàidhlig agus anns a' Bheurla.	Equal Respect Gaelic language plan commitments delivered to an equal standard in both Gaelic and English.	GREEN
Cothroman Follaiseach Gnìomhan practaigeach gus dèanamh cinnteach gu bheil fios aig luchd-obrach na buidhne agus am poball daonnan air na cothroman a th' ann gus Gàidhlig a chleachdadh leis an ùghdarras phoblach.	Active Offer Practical measures to ensure that staff and public are kept regularly informed of all opportunities that exist to use Gaelic in relation to the work of the public authority.	ORANGE
Treas Phàrtaidhean A' dearbhadh gum bi ALEOs agus cunnradairean eile ag obair gus plana Gàidhlig an ùghdarrais phoblaich a chur an gnìomh.	Third Parties Ensure that Arm's Length Executive Organisations and other contractors help with the delivery of the public authority Gaelic language plan.	ORANGE
Gàidhlig na nì àbhaisteach Geallaidhean bhon phlana Ghàidhlig air an gabhail a- steach ann an structaran an ùghdarrais phoblaich tro thìde, le sgrùdadh cunbhalach airson cothroman a chomharrachadh taobh a-staigh bhuidseatan stèidhichte gus Gàidhlig a thoirt air adhart.	Normalisation Gaelic plan commitments are normalised within the structures of the public authority over time, with opportunities to grow Gaelic within existing budgets constantly assessed.	ORANGE
Pàrantan Corporra Gu bheilear mothachail air na dleastanasan a th' ann mar Pàrant Corporra gum bi a h-uile pàiste is neach òg fo chùram no a b' àbhaist a bhith fo chùram le Gàidhlig a' faighinn na h-aon cothroman 's a tha clann le cànain eile.	Corporate Parenting That the authority is aware of the duties of a Corporate Parent to ensure that looked after children and young people and care leavers with Gaelic receive the same opportunities as those with other languages.	GREEN

Inbhe	Status	
Suaicheantas Ag amas air suaicheantas corporra anns a' Ghàidhlig agus anns a' Bheurla a chruthachadh nuair a thig a' chiad chothrom agus mar phàirt den phròiseas ùrachaidh.	Logo Aim to render the corporate logo in both Gaelic and English at the first opportunity and as part of any renewal process.	GREEN
Soidhnichean Prìomh shoidhnichean air an dèanamh dà-chànanach nuair a thathar gan ùrachadh.	Signage Prominent signage will include Gaelic and English as part of any renewal process.	ORANGE
Conaltradh leis a' phoball	Communicating with the public	
Brosnachadh Teachdaireachdan gu bheil fàilte air conaltradh sa Ghàidhlig bhon poball daonnan.	Promotion Positive message that communication from the public in Gaelic is always welcome.	ORANGE
Conaltradh sgrìobhte Fàilte ga cur air conaltradh sgrìobhte sa Ghàidhlig (post, postdagus meadhanan sòisealta) daonnan agus bidh freagairt ann sa Ghàidhlig, a rèir clàr-ama conaltraidh àbhaisteach na buidhne.	Written Communication Written communication in Gaelic is always accepted (post, email and social media) and replies will be provided in Gaelic in accordance with the general policy.	ORANGE
Ionad-fàilte agus am fòn Far a bheil luchd-obrach le Gàidhlig ann airson seo a thoirt seachad, gheibh iad taic airson seo a dhèanamh agus thèid sanasachd a dhèanamh air t- seirbheis dhan phoball.	Reception and phone Where Gaelic speaking staff are capable of providing this service, they are supported to do so and the service is promoted to the public.	RED No current Gaelic speaking staff in Customer Contact Services
Coinneamhan Cothroman airson coinneamhan dà-chànanach no sa Ghàidhlig a chumail air an rannsachadh gu cunbhalach agus air am brosnachadh.	Public meetings Opportunities to hold public meetings bilingually or in Gaelic are regularly explored and promoted.	RED No current Gaelic speaking staff in Customer Contact Services

Fiosrachadh	Information		
Fiosan-naidheachd Prìomh fhiosan-naidheachd agus fiosan-naidheachd mu dheidhinn na Gàidhlig air an cuairteachadh sa Ghàidhlig agus sa Beurla.	News releases High profile news releases and all news releases related to Gaelic are circulated in both Gaelic and English.	RED Communications will carry this out when requested	
Meadhanan sòisealta Stuth Gàidhlig ga sgaoileadh tro na meadhanan sòisealta gu cunbhalach, le stiùir bho ìre cleachdaidh no cleachdadh a dh'fhaodadh a bhith ann.	Social Media Gaelic content distributed regularly through social media, guided by the level of actual and potential users	RED Communications will carry this out when requested	
Làrach-lìn Stuth Gàidhlig air làrach-lìn an ùghdarrais phoblaich, le prìomhachas air na duilleagan le faicsinneachd mhòr.	Website Gaelic content should be available on the public authority's website, with emphasis given to the pages with the highest potential reach.	ORANGE	
Irisean Corporra Irisean corporra sa Ghàidhlig agus Beurla le prìomhachas air sgrìobhainnean le faicsinneachd mhòr.	Corporate Publications Produced in Gaelic and English, with priority given to those with the highest potential reach.  RED Publications ar available in Gaelic on request		
Taisbeanaidhean Cothroman airson taisbeanaidhean dà-chànanach no sa Ghàidhlig a chumail air an rannsachadh gu cunbhalach agus air am brosnachadh, le prìomhachas air an fheadhainn aig a bheil a' bhuaidh as motha.	Exhibitions Opportunities to deliver public exhibitions bilingually or in Gaelic should be explored on a regular basis, with priority given to those with the highest potential impact.	ORANGE	
Corpas na Gàidhlig	Gaelic Language Corpus		
Gnàthachas Litreachaidh na Gàidhlig Leanaidh an t-ùghdarras Poblach Gnàthachas Litreachaidh na Gàidhlig as ùire mar stiùir airson a h-uile rud sgrìobhte aca.	Gaelic Orthographic Conventions The most recent Gaelic Orthographic Conventions will be followed in relation to all written materials produced by the public authority.	ORANGE	

Luchd-obrach	Staff	
Sgrùdadh Luchd-obrach Sgrùdadh cunbhalach air sgilean Gàidhlig agus iarrtasan airson trèanadh Gàidhlig tro bheatha gach plana.	Internal audit Conduct an internal audit of Gaelic skills and training needs through the life of each plan.	ORANGE Planned 2022
Inntrigeadh Eòlas air a' phlana Ghàidhlig mar phàirt den phròiseas inntrigidh.	Induction Knowledge of the public authority's Gaelic language plan included in new staff inductions	GREEN
Trèanadh cànain Trèanadh ann an sgilean Gàidhlig ga thabhann agus ga bhrosnachadh, gu sònraichte a thaobh a bhith a' cur plana Gàidhlig na buidhne an gnìomh.	Language training Gaelic language skills training and development offered to staff, particularly in relation to implementing the public authority's Gaelic language plan.	GREEN Mostly within Education Staff
Trèanadh le Fiosrachadh mun Ghàidhlig Trèanadh le fiosrachadh mun Ghàidhlig, le prìomhachas air stiùirichean, buill bùird, comhairlichean agus luchdobrach air a bheil dleastanas a bhith a' conaltradh leis a' mhòrshluagh.	Awareness training Gaelic awareness training offered to staff, with priority given to directors, board members, councillors and staff dealing directly with the public.	GREEN Available within Equality & Diversity training modules
Fastadh A' toirt aithne is spèis do sgilean Gàidhlig mar phàirt den phròiseas fhastaidh.	Recruitment Recognising and respecting Gaelic skills within the recruitment process.	RED Being monitored
Gàidhlig ainmichte mar sgil a tha na buannachd agus/no a tha riatanach gus seirbheisean Gàidhlig a lìbhrigeadh agus a rèir na comhairle laghail aig Bòrd na Gàidhlig.	Gaelic named as an essential and / or desirable skill in job descriptions in order to deliver the Gaelic language plan and in accordance with the Bòrd na Gàidhlig recruitment advice.	RED Being monitored
Sanasan-obrach dà-chànanach no sa Ghàidhlig airson dreuchdan far a bheil Gàidhlig ainmichte mar sgil riatanach.	Bilingual or Gaelic only job adverts for all posts where Gaelic is an essential skill.	RED Will be implemented when appropriate

# South Ayrshire Council Equality Impact Assessment Scoping Template



Equality Impact Assessment is a legal requirement under the Public Sector Duty to promote equality of the Equality Act 2010. Separate guidance has been developed on Equality Impact Assessment's which will guide you through the process and is available to view here: <a href="https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/equalities/impact-assessment.aspx">https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/equalities/impact-assessment.aspx</a>

Further guidance is available here: <a href="https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/publication-download/assessing-impact-and-public-sector-equality-duty-guide-public-authorities/">https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/publication-download/assessing-impact-and-public-sector-equality-duty-guide-public-authorities/</a>

The Fairer Scotland Duty ('the Duty'), Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010, came into force in Scotland from 1 April 2018. It places a legal responsibility on Councils to actively consider ('pay due regard to') how we can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage, when making strategic decisions. <u>FSD Guidance for Public Bodies</u> in respect of the Duty, was published by the Scottish Government in March 2018 and revised in October 2021. See information here: https://www.gov.scot/publications/fairer-scotland-duty-guidance-public-bodies/

#### 1. Policy details

Policy Title	South Ayrshire Council Gaelic Language Plan 2020-2025 Annual	
	Progress Report 2021-2022	
Lead Officer	Kevin Anderson. Service Lead – Policy, Performance and	
(Name/Position/Email)	Community Planning	

## 2. Which communities, groups of people, employees or thematic groups do you think will be, or potentially could be, impacted upon by the implementation of this policy? Please indicate whether these would be positive or negative impacts

Community or Groups of People	Negative Impacts	Positive impacts
Age – men and women, girls & boys	No	No
Disability	No	No
Gender Reassignment (Trans/Transgender Identity)	No	No
Marriage or Civil Partnership	No	No
Pregnancy and Maternity	No	No
Race – people from different racial groups, (BME) ethnic minorities and Gypsy/Travellers	No	No
Religion or Belief (including lack of belief)	No	No
Sex – (issues specific to women & men or girls & boys)	No	No
Sexual Orientation – person's sexual orientation i.e. LGBT+, lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, heterosexual/straight	No	No
Thematic Groups: Health, Human Rights & Children's Rights	No	No

# 3. What likely impact will this policy have on people experiencing different kinds of social disadvantage i.e. The Fairer Scotland Duty (This section to be completed for any Strategic Decisions). Consideration must be given particularly to children and families.

Socio-Economic Disadvantage	Negative Impacts	Positive impacts
Low Income/Income Poverty – cannot afford to		
maintain regular payments such as bills, food,		
clothing		
Low and/or no wealth – enough money to meet		
Basic living costs and pay bills but have no		
savings to deal with any unexpected spends and		
no provision for the future		
Material Deprivation – being unable to access		
basic goods and services i.e. financial products		
like life insurance, repair/replace broken electrical		
goods, warm home, leisure/hobbies		
Area Deprivation – where you live (rural areas),		
where you work (accessibility of transport)		
Socio-economic Background – social class i.e.		
parent's education, employment and income		

#### 4. Do you have evidence or reason to believe that the policy will support the Council to:

General Duty and other Equality Themes Consider the 'Three Key Needs' of the Equality Duty	Level of Negative and/or Positive Impact
	(High, Medium or Low)
Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation	Positive - Low
Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not	Positive - Low
Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not. (Does it tackle prejudice and promote a better understanding of equality issues?)	Positive - Low
Increase participation of particular communities or groups in public life	Positive - Low
Improve the health and wellbeing of particular communities or groups	Positive - Low
Promote the human rights of particular communities or groups	Positive - Low
Tackle deprivation faced by particular communities or groups	Positive - Low

#### 5. Summary Assessment

Is a full Equality Impact Assessment required?		
(A full Equality Impact Assessment must be carried out if impacts identified as <b>Medium and/or High</b> )	NO	

#### Rationale for decision:

The Annual Report is to advise of progress of the implementation and monitoring of the Gaelic Language Plan to the Service and Performance Panel. The report has been forwarded to Bòrd na Gàidhlig following approval at Cabinet on 15<sup>th</sup> Feburary. This has no specific equality implications.

Signed: Kevin Anderson, Service Lead

Date: 13 February 2023

#### **South Ayrshire Council**

# Report by Director of Health and Social Care to Service and Performance Panel of 7 March 2023

**Subject:** Integration Joint Board (IJB) Annual Performance

Report 2021-2022

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the Service and Performance Panel with a copy of the Integration Joint Board (IJB) Annual Performance Report 2021-22 for scrutiny.

#### 2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that the Panel considers the contents of the <u>IJB Annual</u> Performance Report 2021-22.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 obliges all Integration Authorities to publish a Performance Report covering performance over the reporting year. Due to the Scottish Government extending the Coronavirus Scotland Act (2020) to 30 September 2021, Integration Joint Boards were advised that they can delay the release of their Annual Performance Report to November 2022. Due to significant staffing issues within the Planning and Performance Team during the latter part of 2022 the report submission was delayed further until December 2022. This was considered and approved by the Chair and Vice Chair of the IJB prior to submission to Scottish Government.
- The Performance Report Regulations require Partnerships to assess their performance in relation to the National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes. These outcomes are set out in the <a href="Public Bodies">Public Bodies</a> (Joint Working) (National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes) (Scotland) Regulations 2014 and provide a strategic framework for the planning and delivery of health and social care services. They focus on the experiences and quality of services for people using those services, carers and their families.
- 3.3 Performance must be assessed in the context of the arrangements set out in the IJB Strategic Plan and how the expenditure allocated in the financial statement have achieved, or contributed to achieving, the health and wellbeing outcomes. It should also cover how significant decisions made by the Partnership over the course of the reporting year have contributed to progress towards the outcomes. To support this, a set of core integration indicators have been developed. Partnerships should report against these core indicators in their Performance Reports.

- 3.4 The report contains the most up to date indicators available and a summary of inyear progress is also included in the report, including key service highlights and examples of innovative work within the HSCP.
- 3.5 It is proposed that the Service and Performance Panel notes the performance of the Health and Social Care Partnership from 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022. The Covid-19 pandemic has continued to be prevalent during this reporting period although there has been less impact on performance and service delivery than previous reports. Detail on the Partnership's performance against the core integration indicators and the National Health and Wellbeing Outcomes, for the period 1 April 2021 to 31 March 2022, can be found in the Annual Performance Report.

#### 4. Proposals

4.1 The Service and Performance Panel is invited to consider the full <u>Annual Performance Report</u>.

#### 5. Legal and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 The recommendations in this report are consistent with legal requirements of the Public Bodies (Joint Working) Act 2014 ie the publication of an Annual Performance Report.
- 5.2 There are no procurement implications arising from this report.

#### 6. Financial Implications

6.1 Not applicable.

#### 7. Human Resources Implications

7.1 Not applicable.

#### 8. Risk

#### 8.1 Risk Implications of Adopting the Recommendations

8.1.1 There are no risks associated with adopting the recommendations.

#### 8.2 Risk Implications of Rejecting the Recommendations

8.2.1 There are no risks associated with rejecting the recommendations.

#### 9. Equalities

9.1 The proposals in this report have been assessed through the Equality Impact Assessment Scoping process. There are no significant potential positive or negative equality impacts of agreeing the recommendations and therefore an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required.

#### 10. Sustainable Development Implications

10.1 Considering Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) - This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme or strategy or document otherwise described which could be considered to constitute a plan, programme, policy or strategy.

#### 11. Options Appraisal

11.1 An options appraisal has not been carried out in relation to the subject matter of this report.

#### 12. Link to Council Plan

12.1 The matters referred to in this report contribute to delivery of the Council Plan and the IJB Strategic Plan 2021-2031.

#### 13. Results of Consultation

- 13.1 There has been no public consultation on the contents of this report. The report was previously submitted to the IJB (15 February 2023) and the Performance and Audit Committee (28 February 2023).
- 13.2 Consultation has taken place with Councillor Lee Lyons, Portfolio Holder for Health and Social Care, and the contents of this report reflect any feedback provided.

**Background Papers** None

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Date: 24 February 2023

#### **South Ayrshire Council**

# Report by Depute Chief Executive and Director of Housing, Operations and Development to Service and Performance Panel of 7 March 2023

Subject: Waste Strategy 2021–2031 Progress Report

#### 1. Purpose

1.1 The purpose of this report is to provide the annual progress report of the Council's Waste Strategy from 2021 to 2031 as per the action plan.

#### 2. Recommendation

2.1 It is recommended that the Panel considers the report and provides feedback to officers.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1 The Waste Management sector within the United Kingdom has been evolving rapidly over the past decade. This is due to a number of factors such as market demand in relation to recyclate, reprocessing and legislative requirements, notwithstanding the financial constraints local authorities face whilst having a legislative responsibility for the collection, disposal and reprocessing of household waste.
- 3.2 The Council has a statutory duty under the Environmental Protection Act 1990 to arrange for the collection and disposal of household waste and, where requested, to arrange for the collection and disposal of commercial and industrial waste.
- 3.3 On 24 June 2021 Council approved the Waste Strategy 2021 2031 and associated Action Plan to:
  - Set policies and actions to meet the requirements as set out in the Environmental Protection Act (1990) and Scotland's Zero Waste Plan 2010 and align to the national Circular Economy Strategy 'Making Things Last' (February 2016).
  - Establish how to meet the ban on biodegradable waste to landfill in January 2025 as set out in the Waste (Scotland) Regulations 2012
  - Build on the success of the Household Recycling Charter compliant service.

• Meet the objectives set out in the Climate Change Act (2009) and the subsequent 2019/20 programme for government.

#### 4. Proposals

- 4.1 Since the approval of the strategy progress has been made on a number of action points as noted in <u>Appendix 1</u>.
- 4.2 Two of the key actions within the strategy are actions 5 and 7 where the service is required to:
  - Develop and build/ procure infrastructure to meet South Ayrshire Council requirements for residual waste, recycling, and garden waste treatment.
  - Consider options for Household Waste Recycling Centre provision for Ayr and Prestwick.
- 4.3 The Council is currently in negotiation to purchase a suitable facility to meet South Ayrshire Council requirements for residual waste and recycling. The Council has also identified a piece of land suitable for the expansion of our green waste recycling and has commenced negotiations with the owners.
- 4.4 Members are requested to review the updates on progress towards implementing the outstanding actions relating to the Waste Strategy Action Plan 2021-2031.
- 4.5 Officers will bring a progress report to the Service and Performance Panel in March 2024.

#### 5. Legal and Procurement Implications

- 5.1 There are no legal implications arising from this report.
- 5.2 There are no procurement implications arising from this report.

#### 6. Financial Implications

6.1 A capital budget allocation of £12 million has been approved in line with the infrastructure requirements identified within the Waste Strategy.

#### 7. Human Resources Implications

7.1 There are no human resource implications related to the content of this paper at this time.

#### 8. Risk

#### 8.1 Risk Implications of Adopting the Recommendations

8.1.1 There are no risks from adopting the recommendations.

#### 8.2 Risk Implications of Rejecting the Recommendations

8.2.1 There is a risk that in rejecting the recommendations the Council will jeopardise meeting legislative requirements over the next 10 years including meeting the ban on biodegradable waste to landfill in 2025.

#### 9. Equalities

9.1 The proposals in this report have been assessed through the Equality Impact Assessment Scoping Process. There are no significant positive or negative equality impacts of agreeing the recommendations and therefore an Equalities Impact Assessment is not required. A copy of the Equalities Scoping Assessment is shown in <a href="Appendix 2">Appendix 2</a>.

#### 10. Sustainable Development Implications

10.1 **Considering Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA)** - This report does not propose or seek approval for a plan, policy, programme or strategy or document otherwise described which could be considered to constitute a plan, programme, policy or strategy.

#### 11. Options Appraisal

11.1 An options appraisal has not been carried out in relation to the subject matter of this report.

#### 12. Link to Council Plan

12.1 The matters referred to in this report contribute to Commitment 6 of the Council Plan: A Better Place to Live/ Enhanced environment through social, cultural and economic activities.

#### 13. Results of Consultation

13.1 Consultation has taken place with Councillor Martin Kilbride, Portfolio Holder for Buildings, Housing and Environment, and the contents of this report reflect any feedback provided.

Background Papers Waste Strategy 2021-2031

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Date: 24 February 2023

#### Appendix 1

Key Theme	Action	Measurable Action	Priority	Timescale	Progress	% Complete
	1	Develop and initiate waste aware campaigns to minimise the use of single use plastics within South Ayrshire.	Medium	Medium Term	Widespread social media communication campaign carried out to promote ban on single use plastics.	50%
Waste Reduction &	2	Develop a reuse plan to identify and co- ordinate reuse activities including supporting the development of partnerships with third sector organisations.	Medium	Long Term	Re-use container in place at Troon HWRC for collection by Cunninghame Recycling. Promotional work carried out in Wallacetown, Ayr. Currently looking at options in our recycling centres.	40%
Prevention	3	Engage with partner organisations to form and encourage strategies to reduce overall waste arisings	Low	Long Term	We are in regular contact with Zero Waste Scotland and APSE to develop strategies for the reduction of waste arisings. The Waste Aware Team continue to engage with Community Groups and Educational Facilities.	25%
	4	Conduct composition analysis for all waste streams and participation studies in relation to food waste.	Low	Long Term	Compositional Waste Analysis and Food Waste participation study now completed. A compositional waste analysis will now be undertaken bi-annually.	90%
Infrastructure and Development	5	Develop and build/procure infrastructure to meet South Ayrshire Council requirements for residual waste, recycling and garden waste treatment	High	Medium Term	Infrastructure for residual waste to be developed on purchase and takeover of HWRC and Waste Transfer Station at Heathfield. Planning to develop Heathfield to include Material sorting facility for recycling. Negotiations taking place to procure land for green waste recycling for garden waste.	50%
	6	Review service provision in line with the introduction of a deposit return scheme	Medium	Medium Term	Currently reviewing service provision prior to scheme rollout in August 2023 whereafter any	25%

Key Theme	Action	Measurable Action	Priority	Timescale	Progress	% Complete
					changes to service will be introduced.	
	7	Consider options for Household Waste Recycling Centre provision for Ayr and Prestwick.	High	Medium Term	Proposed purchase and takeover of HWRC & Waste Transfer Station at Heathfield expected in March 2023	85%
	8	Prepare options appraisal/business case for the separation and resale of metals/plastics and cartons stream and direct sale of other recycling streams and review contractual arrangements for recyclate materials	High	Short Term	New contracts for recylate were put in place November 2022. Further contract tenders will be investigated on purchase of the HWRC and Waste Transfer Station at Heathfield	35%
Infrastructure and Development	9	Undertake options appraisal and business case relating to household and commercial waste bin infrastructure	Low	Long Term	Not commenced	0%
	10	Work in partnership with the Planning service to forward plan operational requirements of new developments.	Low	Short Term	A policy paper has been prepared for discussion with the Planning service.	80%
	11	Develop and implement a booking system for all HWRC's	High	Medium Term	Complete	100%
	12	Consider new digital and technological platforms in service delivery and waste reduction.	Medium	Long Term	In-Cab Technology has been installed in our refuse collection vehicles. The go live commenced in December 2022 and we are currently making minor adjustments to the system. We will be exploring other technological solutions throughout the lifetime of the strategy.	80%

Key Theme	Action	Measurable Action	Priority	Timescale	Progress	% Complete
	13	Develop a business plan for the commercial expansion of the green waste facility following any infrastructure investment	High	Short Term	Work on the business plan is at an advanced stage. A site has been identified as a preferred option and is currently being pursued with a view to potential purchase.	80%
	14	Collaborate with the Council's procurement service to maximise material and contractual opportunities	Medium	Long Term	The service has engaged with the Procurement team and are discussing and developing future contracts. Regular meetings are in place to ensure maximum returns from Waste and Recycling Contracts	75%
Commercialisation and the Circular Economy	15	Review material acceptance policy at Household Waste Recycling Centre's in relation to industrial waste	Low	Medium Term	The service is currently researching Policy & Procedures in other local authority areas to appraise different approaches and successes.	20%
	16	Develop business activity within commercial waste across South Ayrshire	Medium	Long Term	The Commercial Waste Team in engaging with our customer base and actively seeking new customers to maximise revenue. We are also exploring commercial options with the imminent purchase of the Heathfield Household Waste Recycling facility.	50%
	17	Conduct a service review of street cleansing with associated action plan	High	Short Term	This review is currently underway and could take up to 8 months to complete.	35%
Enhanced Environment	18	Map all litter bin locations on our streets and in our parks to maximise resources and optimise routing	Low	Short Term	This process is complete from a Waste Management perspective with bin locations mapped on the GIS system. Mapping in Parks and Open Spaces will commence with the introduction of a new Parks app in April	70%

Key Theme	Action	Measurable Action	Priority	Timescale	Progress	% Complete
					2023.	
	19	Develop a strategy and programme for all Council premises to be aligned to the household recycling charter	Medium	Medium Term	A strategy has been developed and a business case is being prepared with regards to the funding required. A pilot was undertaken at Heathfield Primary with the results incorporated into the overall strategy.	40%
	20	Consider options and develop a plan for commercial bin infrastructure in our town centres	Medium	Long Term	Significant work has been undertaken by the Project Implementation Team to take forward. Meetings with key stakeholders will be taking place in the next phase of the project.	50%
Enhanced Environment	21	Develop options to transfer to an electric or ultra-low emissions fleet in line with the Council's Fleet Strategy	High	Long Term	The service in line with Fleet Management will look at technologies such as hydrogen fueled vehicles prior to 2030. The current options are cost prohibitive, and it is envisaged that the transition of the Fleet will be from 2028 onwards in line with the rolling procurement cycle of our Fleet. Given the fact our current Fleet is double shifted at this point it does not look like a full electric fleet is a viable option from a budgetary perspective, as we would need to double up on all vehicles.	0%
	22	Deliver a solution for the ban on biodegradable municipal waste to landfill in	High	Medium Term	Work has commenced in conjunction with East Ayrshire Council to procure a solution to the landfill ban in 2025. We currently have a	70%

Key Theme	Action	Measurable Action	Priority	Timescale	Progress	% Complete
		2025			contract which takes us to April 2024 with the option of an extension. We are actively looking at potential solution and will tender for a solution during 2023. Whilst the current contract meets the landfill ban it is not deemed a long-term solution, therefore the action is not sitting at 100%	
	23	Develop a contamination policy for both householders and commercial properties across South Ayrshire including other Council departments	Medium	Medium Term	A contamination policy has been prepared and will be brought to Cabinet in May 2023.	90%
	24	Develop a Waste Engagement and Communications framework which outlines how and when waste management will engage with stakeholders and within the Council itself	Medium	Short Term	Waste Aware are now more active in community and in educational facilities. Communication Plan developed for 2023	40%
Communication & Engagement	25	Develop new communication methods for engagement with communities, businesses and partner organisations	Medium	Medium Term	Use of Social Media, MyBin App and Sky Ads being utilised to engage with communities, businesses and partners	100%
	26	Develop an online platform for commercial customers	High	Medium Term	Project Team in place to move forward. Information received from other local authorities and software being considered.	20%
	27	Develop educational videos and story boards for the promotion of the strategic objectives within the waste strategy	Medium	Short Term	Videos relating to the service and in particular to reduce contamination are now available on our Website.	65%

Key Theme	Action	Measurable Action	Priority	Timescale	Progress	% Complete
	28	Actively promote the SAC MyBins app and continue to develop its functionality	High	Short Term	Promoted through Tenants & Residents Newsletter & SAC Live magazine and social media. Regular updates with App provider to ensure constant development to suit user requirement needs	100%



## South Ayrshire Council Equality Impact Assessment Scoping Template

Equality Impact Assessment is a legal requirement under the Public Sector Duty to promote equality of the Equality Act 2010. Separate guidance has been developed on Equality Impact Assessment's which will guide you through the process and is available to view here: <a href="https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/equalities/impact-assessment.aspx">https://www.south-ayrshire.gov.uk/equalities/impact-assessment.aspx</a>

Further guidance is available here: <a href="https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/publication-download/assessing-impact-and-public-sector-equality-duty-guide-public-authorities/">https://www.equalityhumanrights.com/en/publication-download/assessing-impact-and-public-sector-equality-duty-guide-public-authorities/</a>

The Fairer Scotland Duty ('the Duty'), Part 1 of the Equality Act 2010, came into force in Scotland from 1 April 2018. It places a legal responsibility on Councils to actively consider ('pay due regard to') how we can reduce inequalities of outcome caused by socio-economic disadvantage, when making strategic decisions. See information here: <a href="Interim Guidance for Public Bodies">Interim Guidance for Public Bodies</a> in respect of the Duty, was published by the Scottish Government in March 2018.

#### 1. Policy details

Policy Title	Waste Strategy
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## 2. Which communities, groups of people, employees or thematic groups do you think will be, or potentially could be, impacted upon by the implementation of this policy? Please indicate whether these would be positive or negative impacts

Community or Groups of People	Negative Impacts	Positive impacts
Age – men and women, girls & boys	-	-
Disability	-	-
Gender Reassignment (Trans/Transgender Identity)	-	-
Marriage or Civil Partnership	-	-
Pregnancy and Maternity	-	-
Race – people from different racial groups, (BME) ethnic minorities and Gypsy/Travellers	-	-
Religion or Belief (including lack of belief)	-	-
Sex – gender identity (issues specific to women & men or girls & boys)	-	-
Sexual Orientation – person's sexual orientation i.e. LGBT+, lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, heterosexual/straight	-	-
Thematic Groups: Health, Human Rights & Children's Rights	-	-

## 3. What likely impact will this policy have on people experiencing different kinds of social disadvantage? (Fairer Scotland Duty). Consideration must be given particularly to children and families.

Socio-Economic Disadvantage	Negative Impacts	Positive impacts
Low Income/Income Poverty – cannot afford to maintain		
regular payments such as bills, food, clothing	-	-

Low and/or no wealth – enough money to meet Basic living costs and pay bills but have no savings to deal with any unexpected spends and no provision for the future	-	-
Material Deprivation – being unable to access basic goods and services i.e. financial products like life insurance, repair/replace broken electrical goods, warm home, leisure/hobbies		-
Area Deprivation – where you live (rural areas), where you work (accessibility of transport)	-	-
Socio-economic Background – social class i.e. parent's education, employment and income	1	-

#### 4. Do you have evidence or reason to believe that the policy will support the Council to:

General Duty and other Equality Themes Consider the 'Three Key Needs' of the Equality Duty	Level of Negative and/or Positive Impact (High, Medium or Low)
Eliminate unlawful discrimination, harassment and victimisation	Low
Advance equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not	Low
Foster good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and those who do not. (Does it tackle prejudice and promote a better understanding of equality issues?)	Low
Increase participation of particular communities or groups in public life	Low
Improve the health and wellbeing of particular communities or groups	Low
Promote the human rights of particular communities or groups	Low
Tackle deprivation faced by particular communities or groups	Low

#### 5. Summary Assessment

(A full Equ	quality Impact Assessment required? uality Impact Assessment must be carried out if impacts as Medium and/or High)	NO					
Rationale	Rationale for decision:						
There are no equality issues relating to the waste strategy or its potential action plan outcomes and should not affect those with protected characteristics.							
Signed: Kenneth Dalrymple, Assistant Director of Housing & Operations							
Date:	08 February 2023						