

PERTH AND KINROSS COUNCIL

HOUSING AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

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COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

Report by Depute Chief Executive, Chief Operating Officer (Report No. 20/27)

PURPOSE OF REPORT

To provide an update on progress with Community Planning priorities since the last update to the Housing and Communities Committee on 30 October 2019.

1. LOCAL ACTION PARTNERSHIPS

1.1 The Perth City Local Action Partnership (LAP) provided an update to the Community Planning Partnership (CPP) Board meeting held in Perth on 6 December. The LAP reported its progress so far in delivering the Local Action Plan and other local community initiatives, highlighting the positive use of Participatory Budgeting and Community Investment Funding to allow them to deliver local projects and initiatives covering their identified priority areas:

- poverty and low income,
- youth activities and empowerment,
- employment opportunities.

1.2 The Perth City LAP plans to deliver a Participatory Budgeting project for young people in 2020 and establish its own social media on Facebook to promote the work of the LAP and engage more people.

1.3 The 7 February meeting of the CPP Board will take place in Eastern Perthshire, at which the Eastern Perthshire LAP will provide an update on their activities.

2. PLANNING AND PERFORMANCE

2.1 The Community Planning Partnership Board approved the second [Annual Performance Report](#) on the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan 2017-27. The report outlines how the partnership has made an impact on achieving our five strategic objectives and strengthening community empowerment.

2.2 The report highlights a variety of actions, including:

- the Eastern Perthshire 'Big January Get Together' which brought 800 people together and helped build community spirit, while also providing hot food and activities for people to get involved in

- holidays programmes have ensured children can take part in activities and have a healthy meal though the summer holiday period.
- how social prescribers have helped improved people's health and wellbeing by signposting people to community organisations.
- how employment supports people who face specific barriers to work gain employment.

3. COMMUNITY INVESTMENT FUND

- 3.1 Recommendations on allocating the first tranche of 2019/20 CIF funding were approved by Strategic Policy and Resources Committee on 27 November 2019. 63 applications were approved, sharing just under £330,000 across projects designed to improve equalities across all localities. A summary of this is provided as Appendix 1 to this report.
- 3.2 The second tranche of 2019/20 funding closed on 15 January 2020, with over 130 applications being received, seeking over £1,000,000 in funding. Ward Panels are meeting to review and make recommendations on the applications, with final decisions being taken at Strategic Policy & Resources Committee on 25 March.
- 3.3 The Community Planning Team has been evaluating CIF projects delivered in the first year of Community Investment Funding (2018/19). A summary on the outcomes will be shared with the relevant Local Action Partnerships and reported to Strategic Policy and Resources Committee in April 2020. The Council has made videos on [four projects](#) which received funding in 2018/19 which have been used to promote the CIF.

4. CPP GOVERNANCE & IMPACT

- 4.1 CPP Board is currently undertaking a review of Governance and Impact, with an agreement to align the Perth and Kinross Offer with the Community Plan during 2020/21 and update Committee accordingly. Engagement work with communities to help shape the Perth and Kinross Offer will be carried out in spring/summer 2020. Thereafter, CPP Board will consider any necessary changes to governance in order to best support the delivery of the Offer/Community Plan.

5. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION

- 5.1 It is recommended that the Housing and Communities Committee **notes** the progress since October 2019 on Community Planning objectives.

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