



PERTH AND KINROSS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

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CLIMATE EMERGENCY UPDATE REPORT

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SUMMARY

This report asks CPP Board to confirm nominations to the CPP Climate Change Working Group and agree the first priority for the Working Group to take forward with a focus on equality, in the context of the new LOIP.

1. BACKGROUND / MAIN ISSUES

1.1 At the last meeting of the Board members agreed:

- (i) The Board be committed to reviewing current and future actions through the lens of delivering a just transition to the climate emergency and incorporating partner actions into the LOIP.
- (ii) The establishment of a Climate Change Working Group that will report back to the Board quarterly.
- (iii) Climate change will be a standing item on the Board agenda.

1.2 Since the last CPP Board meeting the Council unanimously approved its Climate Change Strategy and Action Plan. The report and the appendices can be accessed at <https://perth-and-kinross.cmis.uk.com/perth-and-kinross/Meetings/tabid/70/ctl/ViewMeetingPublic/mid/397/Meeting/3159/Committee/7/Default.aspx>. Some key progress since then which may be useful for CPP Board to note includes:

- PKC is developing online resources for CPP partners and communities due for launch later in 2022
- The publication of the Draft National Planning Framework in late 2021 has highlighted a stronger emphasis on Climate Change, Biodiversity

and the 20-minute neighbourhood concept, which will impact on the plans and strategies of all CP partners

- Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy work is ongoing including feeding into ongoing dialogue between local authorities, COSLA, and Scottish Government.
- Pilot project underway exploring collaboration with SSE/SGN to consider alignment between local authorities and District Network Operators (DNO) to support shared objectives for heat decarbonisation.

2. PROPOSALS

2.1 **CPP Climate Change Working Group** – nominations are still required for this group as agreed by Board in December 2021. Nominations are now requested by **end February 2022** to divindygrant@pkc.gov.uk.

2.2 The remit of the CCWG is proposed with three key roles in view:

- To act as 'critical friend' on the finalisation of the LOIP in relation to climate change and how inequalities arising from the climate emergency can be mitigated.
- To monitor and report on progress with climate change equalities actions within the LOIP
- To advise the CPP on specific climate change issues which require partnership action to accelerate action or achieve economies of scale, for example by pooling joint resources across the CPP

2.3 At a local community planning level, Strathtay Local Action Partnership is a good exemplar: it has recently reviewed and updated its Local Action Plan to ensure actions around fuel poverty and transport reflected climate change considerations.

2.4 The following are proposed for June Board and thereafter:

- CCWG to report on its review of the LOIP and make recommendations on what should be included in the LOIP relating to climate change actions and partnership working required to take these forward.
- September 2022: CCWG to propose key indicators/success measures for climate change equality actions within the LOIP
- Dec 2022: first progress/update report to Board; forward planning for 2023 agenda

3. CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATION(S)

3.1 CPP Board is asked to:

- nominate members of the Climate Change Working Group by end February 2022
- agree the proposed agenda focus for June and September 2022

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