

Orkney Community Planning Partnership



PARTNERSHIP LIAISON GROUP

DRAFT Minutes of the meeting held at 2pm on 23 January 2014 at Voluntary Action Orkney

Present:

Francesca Couperwhite (<i>Chair</i>)	Community Economic Development Orkney Group
Anna Whelan	OCCP Steering Group Secretary
Jon Humphreys	Community Safety Partnership
Gail Churchill	Environment Partnership
Pam Beasant	Arts Forum
Kerry Spence	Strategic Community Learning Group
Maureen Swannie	Childcare Partnership
Marie O'Sullivan	Services for Children and Young People Group
Suzanne Baird	Healthy Communities Group
Frazer Campbell	Orkney Equality Forum
Stuart Allison	Strategic Economic Forum
Steven Heddle (<i>for item 4</i>)	Convener, Orkney Islands Council
Katy Russell-Duff (<i>Secretary</i>)	Administrative Officer

1. Apologies for absence

Clare Gee	Heritage, Archaeology and Visitor Attraction Forum
Karen Greaves	Strategic Learning Group
Gail Anderson	Third Sector Forum
Sally Inkster	Housing Development Forum
Maureen Spence	Community Council Liaison

2. Minute of the last meeting – 11 October 2013

2.1 The minutes were approved, being proposed by GC and seconded by KS.

3. Matters Arising

3.1 Item 3.3 – European Structural Fund – AFW confirmed that discussion was still ongoing regarding the best course of action to take.

3.2 Item 5.2 – Fairtrade – AFW to follow up with Gill Smee. **Action: AFW**

3.3 Item 7.1 – AFW confirmed that the Single Outcome Agreement 2011-14 had been completed and circulated.

4. Our Islands Our Future

4.1 Councillor Steven Heddle gave a presentation explaining what the campaign was about and encouraging support from the Partnership Liaison Group. Councillor Heddle explained that his presentation would be given at the Steering Group on Monday and across the community. He welcomed feedback from the group to assist with generating support from other groups and the community.

5. Minutes of Steering Group meeting held on 4 November 2013

5.1 The minutes of the Steering Group meeting held on 4 November 2013 were noted.

6. Draft agenda for the next Steering Group meeting on 27 January 2014

- 6.1 AFW circulated the draft agenda for the next Steering Group meeting and explained that the Community Planning Audit Team would be attending the meeting. AFW also explained that the development workshops which were being undertaken by the Steering Group qualified as self-assessment and the Improvement Service had advised that there was no need for the Steering Group to undertake an additional self-evaluation exercise.
- 6.2 The draft agenda for the next Steering Group meeting on 27 January 2014 was noted.

7. Early Years Collaborative

- 7.1 MS gave a presentation explaining that the Early Years Collaborative was led by the Community Planning Partnership via the Childcare Partnership, which she co-ordinated. The Early Years Collaborative, and public/third sector partnership with an emphasis on prevention, was under way locally with 'home' and 'away' teams established. The away team had attended three Learning Sessions in Glasgow and had fed back to the 'home' team to encourage joint working at a local level. A notable success has been an increased uptake in the Healthy Start voucher scheme and Orkney EYC presented their work around this at the last Learning Session in Glasgow, at the end of October.
- 7.2 MS noted that early continuous stress had been demonstrated to affect brain development and resulted in permanently hard wired fight/flight responses. The EYC was a national preventative programme designed to pre-empt this outcome. The Community Planning Partnership would be able to assist with raising awareness of the collaborative and facilitate more people becoming involved. The aims and targets were set nationally and were non-negotiable but the way the aims were achieved was individual to each community planning partnership.
- 7.3 MS reported that Harry Burns was to leave his post as Chief Medical Officer for Scotland and take up a professorship at the University of Strathclyde in Global Public Health.

8. Community Planning Audit

- 8.1 AFW explained that the presentation circulated was recently given by the Community Planning Audit Team and demonstrated where the audit programme had got to.
- 8.2 AFW explained that the first tranche of three audits had been evaluated by an independent consultant (Rocket Science) which had concluded that the next tranche of audits should also be run as pilots pending the issuing of formal guidance. Orkney was part of that tranche and the Community Planning Audit Team would be in Orkney next week for early scoping work.
- 8.3 AFW stated that the early scoping meetings could be used to identify groups/people that they Audit Team would want to speak to when they came up to Orkney later in the year to conduct their fieldwork.
- 8.4 AFW stated that the Key Lines of Enquiry and Key Questions would form the basis of the audit.

8.5 MO'S noted that knowledge and awareness of community planning and partnership between front line staff and strategic staff was not universal and some front line staff were not aware of the purpose of Orkney Community Planning Partnership and its relevance to their work. It was hoped that the audit would help to raise awareness and identify work which could be done to improve the situation.

10. Successes, achievements and networking outwith Orkney

10.1 PB reported that Orkney Arts Forum had been shortlisted again for a Creative Place award and the prize for the winner would be £150,000. The award ceremony was being held on 29 January 2014.

10.2 FC advised that the Stromness Townscape Heritage Initiative and Orkney Micro-renewables project had both won SURF Awards.

10.3 AFW reported that she had attended a Community Planning Managers Network Meeting in Edinburgh on 11 November.

11. Any other business

11.1 KS reported that Community Learning and Development was to be subject to an HMI Inspection in three weeks.

12. Date of next meeting

12.1 To be arranged by Hannah Thomson on her return.

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