
Minute of Strategic Planning Advisory Group

Date: Tuesday 15th June 2021

Time: 2pm

Place: Via Teleconference

Present

Linda Semple (Chair)

Councillor Julie Dettbarn

Robert Pyper, Academic Advisor

Marie Oliver, Voluntary Action South Ayrshire (VASA)

Glenda Hanna, Local Integration Lead, Independent Sector

Tim Eltringham, Chief Officer & Director of Health and Social Care

Scott Hunter, Chief Social Work Officer

Lisa Duncan, Chief Finance Officer

Billy McClean, Head of Community Health & Care Services

Ewing Hope, NHS Staff Side Representative

Gordon Walker, Representative Member for Carers

Elaine Hill, Allied Health Professional Advisor

Mark Inglis, Head of Children's Health & Justice Services

Phil White, Partnership Facilitator

John Wood, Senior Manager, Policy, Planning & Commissioning

Elaine McClure, Portfolio Programme Manager, Transformation & Sustainability

Max Agnew, Locality Planning Partnership Representative

Rita Miller, Locality Planning Partnership Representative

Lesley Reid, Health Improvement Lead (NHS)

Derek Frew, Police Scotland

Danielle Rae, Planning & Performance Coordinator

Stephanie Cox, Planning & Performance Officer

Kirsty Goodfellow, Planning & Performance Officer (Comms)

Laura Conaghan, Administration Assistant (Minute Taker)

Linda Semple in the Chair

Apologies for Absence

1. Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Allison Craig, Karen Hedge, Rosemary Robertson, Dr Simon Farrell, Kevin Anderson, Billy Cooper and Mike Newall.

Declarations of Interest

2. There were no further Declarations of Interest by Members of the Group in terms of Standing Order No. 7, the Standards in Public Life – Code of Conduct for Members of Devolved Public Bodies.

Minute of Previous Meeting

3. The minute of the meeting held on 20th April 2021 was approved by the Group.

Locality Planning Partnership Update

Rita Miller and Max Agnew were welcomed to the group by the Chair.

4. R Miller advised that a meeting was held by the Chairs and Vice Chairs of the Locality Planning Group (LPG) to discuss a way forward on how to interact appropriately and meaningfully with the Strategic Planning Advisory Group (SPAG). It was noted that this meeting will take prior to each SPAG and will allow for the LPG's to raise any issues and/or good news stories. M Agnew confirmed that this is a good opportunity to "tidy up" the governance arrangements for the LPG's, roles within the group and ensure that the work done is relevant to the people we engage with in the communities. The Chair agreed that this work is crucial in the relaunch of the LPG's and will allow the SPAG to demonstrate the strength of activity that was completed during the Covid-19 response.
5. J Wood commended the work being done and agreed that a clear governance link between the LPG's and the SPAG is required moving forward. J Wood confirmed that the Vice Chair of the SPAG will sit on this group. It was noted that M Oliver will take on the role of Vice Chair of the SPAG due to her already established links with both groups.

ACTION:

- 1) **Terms of reference to be established for the Locality Planning Group Chairs Meeting.**

2) Marie Oliver to take on the role of Vice Chair of the Strategic Planning Advisory Group.

Communication and Engagement Strategy

6. J Wood explained that commitments were made within the Strategic Plan to create a Communications and Engagement Strategy to provide clear guidelines on how the Partnership plans to engage with outside organisations and the community. J Wood added that Kirsty Goodfellow was employed as a Communication Officer which has made a good impact in relation to communication. A new Partnership website is due to be launched next week which will hold all Partnership strategies in one place. M Oliver advised that VASA supports this strategy and will allow for the Wellbeing Pledge to reach as many people as possible. It was noted that this will also allow for how engagement is made with the “people on the ground”.
7. J Wood advised that an official strategy will be published by the end of 2021 however it is important for the SPAG to be completely up to date on the progress of this prior to publication. The Chief Officer confirmed that confirmed that the Community Empowerment Act into account moving forward with composing this strategy. G Hanna queried how the Partnership will engage with Caring for Ayrshire following the disbandment of the Pan-Ayrshire CFA Engagement Group. P White confirmed that engagement will continue with Caring for Ayrshire via the Locality Planning Group’s.

ACTION:

The SPAG will continue to be updated on the development and implementation of the Communication and Engagement Strategy.

Community Wealth Building

8. J Wood provided a presentation to the group.
9. J Wood explained that the aim of Community Wealth Building is to encourage the development of resilient and inclusive economies with more local employment. J Wood added that South Ayrshire Council and the NHS are “Anchor Charter” Organisations and have committed to the following 5 pledges:
 - plural ownership of the economy: seeking to develop a more diverse blend of ownership models;
 - making financial power work for local places: seeking to increase flows of investment within local economies;
 - fair employment and just labour markets: positively impacting on the prospects and incomes of local people;
 - progressive procurement of goods and services: developing dense local supply chains;

- socially productive use of land and property: deepening the function and ownership of assets to ensure that any financial gain is harnessed by citizens.

10. J Wood explained that the Integration Joint Board endorsed the Community Wealth Building at the Board Meeting in May 2021 and agreed that SPAG will monitor the progress of this, with yearly reports being submitted to Board for update.
11. R Pyper noted that this allows for the Partnership to work on effective partnerships with 3rd and private sector organisations and queried how this would be done. J Wood confirmed that he will present this question to Allison Craig offline and respond to R Pyper in due course.

Wellbeing Pledge

12. P White explained that the aim of the Wellbeing Pledge approach is to be rooted within the communities and aligned with the Community Planning Partnerships. P White added that it is the hope that they are able to build on the community's energy from the Covid-19 response. P White explained that a programme board will be developed to establish an approach to deliver the Wellbeing Pledge.
13. R Pyper queried what leadership responsibilities are there in relation to this and what reporting lines there would be. The Chief Officer confirmed that the group would be required to reflect responsibly and advised that some time would be spent over the summer to investigate how this could be done. P White noted that lessons from the impact of community engagement in response to Covid-19 and work with Community Planning Colleagues will be included in reporting lines. D Frew explained that Police Scotland have now started including community engagement in policing reports thanks to the engagement with community planning groups.

ACTION:

The Chief Officer to submit report on how leadership responsibilities and reporting will be established for the Wellbeing Pledge.

Learning Disability Strategy

14. J Wood explained that the SPAG receives regular updates in relation to the implementation of the Learning Disability Strategy. It was noted that the Learning Disability Strategy is due to be renewed. J Wood stated that the Partnership have commissioned the services of the Scottish Commission for Learning Disabilities (SCLD) to provide guidance during the consultation process.
15. J Wood noted that a writing group has been established and includes a wide range of services. J Wood confirmed that VASA will be included in this group moving forward.

Corporate Parenting Plan

16. M Inglis explained that the Corporate Parenting Plan has now been changed to the South Ayrshire Parenting Promise and will look at what the Partnership can do for children who have been looked after or have been in care. M Inglis noted that a draft version of the plan is out for consultation currently and thanked everyone involved in establishing and writing this plan. The Chief Social Work Officer stated that this plan should be governed at the highest possible level for the children and young people of South Ayrshire.

Any Other Business

17. J Wood advised that there will be no meeting of the Strategic Planning Advisory Group in July.
18. As there were no further matters to discuss, the meeting closed at 3.35pm.

Date of Next Meeting

19. Tuesday 31st August 2021 at 2pm via MS Teams.