

## **DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL**

**REPORT TO: POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE – 10 JUNE 2013**

**REPORT ON: LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN MONITORING - 2012/2013**

**REPORT BY: DIRECTOR, LEISURE AND COMMUNITIES**

**REPORT NO: 241-2013**

### **1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT**

1.1 This report presents the findings from the annual Output Monitoring exercise of Local Community Plans for the period 1 April 2012 to 31 March 2013.

### **2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Committee agree to:

- 2.1 Recognise the significant level of progress made in terms of outputs achieved by Local Community Planning Partnerships for each area.
- 2.2 Recognise the high level of collaboration, co-operation and support between Dundee City Council, partner agencies and community stakeholders in the implementation of Local Community Plans.
- 2.3 Agree that Dundee City Council should continue to work with public, private and voluntary sector agencies in partnership with local communities to address the long term aspirations, needs and issues identified in each Local Community Plan.

### **3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS**

3.1 The successful implementation of Local Community Plans are dependent on progressing the agreed priorities within the existing allocation of resources from the Dundee Partnership.

### **4.0 BACKGROUND**

4.1 The Local Community Plan consultation exercise to create the new Plans (2012-2017) confirmed that of a total number of 870 actions (100%) across all eight Wards were prioritised. These actions began to be implemented with effect from 1st April 2012. (See Appendix One)

The Local Community Plan output monitoring exercise for the period 1st April 2012 until 31st March 2013 confirmed that progress has been made as follows:

- 330 of the actions (38%) across all eight areas have been completed.
- 413 actions (47%) are on schedule
- 120 actions (15%) require to be progressed.

Results from across the eight areas confirm that Local Community Planning Partnerships provide an important focus for Council Departments, Community Organisations, Voluntary Organisations and local people to come together to address agreed priorities in a collective manner. Responses from Service Planners/Providers were received from each Local Community Planning Partnership. It was recognised that the Local Community Planning Partnerships are well established and increasingly recognised as an effective model and that they provide a robust structure and an effective mechanism to assist in addressing local priorities and closing the inequalities gap.

Given this is the first year of implementation of the new Plans, progress has been made at an appropriate pace.

4.2 Some of the Local Community Planning Partnerships' key achievements for the 2012-2013 period include:

#### **Strathmartine**

- The Attic Project has been supported to develop community based services at premises at Beaully Avenue in Kirkton.
- Support to North West Community Sports Club to secure premises and funding to enable activities to develop.
- Creation of a zebra crossing on Turnberry Avenue following consultation with local community.
- Provision of a new pocket park at Birkdale Place and children's adventure equipment installed at Sidlaw View Primary School, Ardler Primary School and St Andrews Primary School.
- Funding secured to support young people into world of work and training through "Blast Off" courses. Children's work supported and wifi installed at St Mary's Community Facility.

#### **Lochee**

- Local publicity campaign was carried out highlighting support available to those affected by substance misuse.
- Free or low-cost school holiday programme co-ordinated and developed by recently established Early Years Network.
- Introduction of 'Family Splash' Programme at Lochee Swimming Baths.
- Lochee Masterplan Officers Group continues to progress developments in Lochee High Street (Highgate).
- Young people and the Regeneration Forum members involved in the planning, design and implementation of play/open space projects.

#### **West End**

- Following ongoing demand for community space, especially for group meetings and social activities in the West End, the allocation of considerable funds will see community access to the upper floor at Blackness Library enhanced.
- West End Community and Sports Hub have gone from strength to strength. They were successful in accessing funds from Community Payback Sport Fund to implement considerable enhancement works at the facility and are very near to signing a lease with DCC for the pavilion at Riverside.
- Existing group's continue to strengthen as well as the emergence of two new groups - Perth Road Traders Association and Friends of Riverside Nature Park.
- Publicity developed to explain the cost of graffiti and encourage local people to report it. Local groups encouraged to take part in local clean up activities and Community Spirit supported to undertake annual high profile graffiti removal initiative.
- In response to long term complaints about the impact of commuter and University parking in the West End, a large scale consultation exercise was undertaken to gather views on the implementation of a Resident's Parking Scheme. This created a sizeable response with the vast majority of responders not in favour of the proposed scheme.

## **Coldside**

- The “Equally Well” initiative is being rolled out in Coldside Ward and will result in activities addressing Wellbeing and the establishment of a Health Network for the Ward.
- Increased quality of play parks in Coldside. For example, a new play park will be installed in Dudhope Park.
- A Masterplan has been developed with actions currently being delivered focusing on Dundee Law.
- Links with the Environment Department, LCPP and local community groups have been established and improvements have been made to green and open spaces.
- Funding is in place and plans are being progressed to create a community facility in Alexander Street as part of a new school campus.

## **Maryfield**

- Increased the use of Morgan Academy as a community facility for learning and recreation.
- DISC Target Project delivered (2 nights a week for 50 weeks per year).
- Provision of outreach health education and support services for young people.
- Support given to English classes and cultural activities for non-first language speakers.
- Removal of rubbish and vegetation from back garden courts in Wolsley Street.

## **North East**

- Creation of a new community facility in Whitfield which comprises health, library, leisure, learning and shopping services in one venue – “The Crescent”.
- Enhancement of the Mill O' Mains Park to incorporate free exercise equipment and additional play facilities.
- Delivery of a new multi-agency community safety presentation which is being delivered to all first year pupils in the area.
- Support for the operation of children's clubs in each of the community facilities in the North East Ward.
- £250,000 secured to build a recreational park in Whitfield with children's play park, a youth area, a new 7 a-side football pitch, a zip wire, a dog agility area and free exercise equipment.

## **East End**

- System established for young people to comment on CRF applications and to increase involvement in the work of the East End Local Community Planning Partnership.
- Douglas Community Spaces Group achieved SCIO status and has begun to work with Environment Department and Social Enterprise Network on drafting a Masterplan for their chosen site.
- Fairfield Sports Club have achieved Sports Hub status.
- A Re-shaping Care for Older People Steering Group has been set up, and a pilot for the Community Cars scheme has started in Douglas.
- A new Midlin Neighbourhood Network has been established to look at areas of concern for local residents in relation to safety, housing and environmental issues.

## **The Ferry**

- Excellent feedback following HMle Inspection of Grove Academy and its' Learning Community.
- Very positive work ongoing re development of Community Facilities. Includes ongoing work with Broughty Ferry Development Trust, completion of St Aidens Centre and establishment of Friends of Broughty Ferry Library to progress "Community Facility" proposal.
- New Community Notice Board at Barnhill. Opportunities available to use Boards at Castle Green and Dawson Park as well as Brook Street.
- Work with older people developing through partnership work with Reshaping Care, Alzheimer's Scotland, Tayside Fire and Rescue, Home Safety and Social Work.
- LCPP Working Group co-ordinating series of events to recognise the 100<sup>th</sup> year of Broughty Ferry being incorporated as part of Dundee City.

## **5.0 POLICY IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 This report has been screened for any policy implications in respect of Sustainability, Strategic Environmental Assessment, Anti-Poverty, Equality Impact Assessment and Risk Management.
- 5.2 The principles behind Local Community Planning is to empower all sections of the community to participate in decision-making, to encourage collective action and engagement in the political process and the representation of interests.
- 5.3 Local Community Plans can be made available in other formats and languages on request and are written with minimal use of jargon. Local Community Plans, Local Community Engagement Plans, Plan Summaries and updates on progress made in Local Community Plans are posted on the Dundee Partnership website [www.dundeepartnership.co.uk/content/local-community-planning](http://www.dundeepartnership.co.uk/content/local-community-planning). Priority will be given to taking forward actions contained in Local Community Plans which address poverty, inequality, and tackle social exclusion. The production of Local Community Plans are helping make services, projects and initiatives more sensitive to the needs of all sections of the community.
- 5.4 An Equality Impact Assessment is attached to this Report.

## **6.0 CONSULTATION**

- 6.1 The Chief Executive, Director of Corporate Services and Head of Democratic and Legal Services have been consulted on this report.
- 6.2 Chairs of Local Community Planning Partnerships.

## **7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 7.1 None.

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**29 May 2013**

## LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAN MONITORING REPORT SUMMARY

MONITORING PERIOD - 1ST APRIL 20102 - 31ST MARCH 2013

	<b>TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIONS (ACROSS ALL 8 WARDS)</b>	<b>ACTIONS COMPLETED</b>	<b>ACTIONS ON SCHEDULE</b>	<b>ACTIONS TO BE PROGRESSED IN FUTURE</b>
<b>Number</b>	870	330	413	120
<b>%</b>	100%	38%	47%	15%

It should be noted that percentages of actions completed reflect the early stages of implementation of Local Community Plans. Also that the Local Plans are rolling Plans and can incorporate new actions as agreed by Local Community Planning Partnerships.

## EQUALITY IMPACT ASSESSMENT TOOL

### Part 1: Description/Consultation

<b>Is this a Rapid Equality Impact Assessment (RIAT)?</b> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Is this a Full Equality Impact Assessment (EQIA)?</b> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
<b>Date of Assessment:</b> 13th May 2013	<b>Committee Report Number:</b> 241-2013
<b>Title of document being assessed:</b>	Local Community Plans 2012-2017
<b>1. This is a new policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed</b> (If yes please check box) <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>This is an existing policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed?</b> (If yes please check box) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
<b>2. Please give a brief description of the policy, procedure, strategy or practice being assessed.</b>	Gather monitoring data to assess progress made with the first full year of operation of Local Community Plans 2012-2017.
<b>3. What is the intended outcome of this policy, procedure, strategy or practice?</b>	Annual monitoring of actions progressed in Local Community Plans
<b>4. Please list any existing documents which have been used to inform this Equality and Diversity Impact Assessment.</b>	Local Community Plan monitoring returns 2012/2013 from each Ward.
<b>5. Has any consultation, involvement or research with protected characteristic communities informed this assessment? If yes please give details.</b>	Consultation has taken place with Local Community Planning Partnerships which include community representatives.
<b>6. Please give details of council officer involvement in this assessment.</b>  (e.g. names of officers consulted, dates of meetings etc)	Assessment undertaken by John Hosie, Community Regeneration and Health Manger.
<b>7. Is there a need to collect further evidence or to involve or consult protected characteristics communities on the impact of the proposed policy?</b>  (Example: if the impact on a community is not known what will you do to gather the information needed and when will you do this?)	No.

**Part 2: Protected Characteristics**

Which protected characteristics communities will be positively or negatively affected by this policy, procedure or strategy?

NB Please place an X in the box which best describes the "overall" impact. It is possible for an assessment to identify that a positive policy can have some negative impacts and visa versa. When this is the case please identify both positive and negative impacts in Part 3 of this form.

If the impact on a protected characteristic communities are not known please state how you will gather evidence of any potential negative impacts in box Part 1 section 7 above.

	Positively	Negatively	No Impact	Not Known
<b>Ethnic Minority Communities including Gypsies and Travellers</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Gender</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Gender Reassignment</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Religion or Belief</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>People with a disability</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Age</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Lesbian, Gay and Bisexual</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Socio-economic</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Pregnancy &amp; Maternity</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<b>Other (please state)</b>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

### Part 3: Impacts/Monitoring

<p><b>1. Have any positive impacts been identified?</b></p> <p>(We must ensure at this stage that we are not achieving equality for one strand of equality at the expense of another)</p>	<p>Yes.</p>
<p><b>2. Have any negative impacts been identified?</b></p> <p>(Based on direct knowledge, published research, community involvement, customer feedback etc. If unsure seek advice from your departmental Equality Champion.)</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p><b>3. What action is proposed to overcome any negative impacts?</b></p> <p>(e.g. involving community groups in the development or delivery of the policy or practice, providing information in community languages etc. See Good Practice on DCC equalities web page)</p>	<p>None.</p>
<p><b>4. Is there a justification for continuing with this policy even if it cannot be amended or changed to end or reduce inequality without compromising its intended outcome?</b></p> <p>(If the policy that shows actual or potential unlawful discrimination you must stop and seek legal advice)</p>	<p>The content of the report does not show actual or potential unlawful discrimination.</p>
<p><b>5. Has a 'Full' Equality Impact Assessment been recommended?</b></p> <p>(If the policy is a major one or is likely to have a major impact on protected characteristics communities a Full Equality Impact Assessment may be required. Seek advice from your departmental Equality lead.)</p>	<p>No.</p>
<p><b>6. How will the policy be monitored?</b></p> <p>(How will you know it is doing what it is intended to do? e.g. data collection, customer survey etc.)</p>	<p>Local Community Planning Partnerships will monitor progress made with Local Community Plans for their respective Wards on an annual basis.</p>



**Part 4: Contact Information**

<b>Name of Department or Partnership</b>	Chief Executive, Communities & Policy Division
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<b>Type of Document</b>	
Human Resource Policy	<input type="checkbox"/>
General Policy	<input type="checkbox"/>
Strategy/Service	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Change Papers/Local Procedure	<input type="checkbox"/>
Guidelines and Protocols	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

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<b>Date of Next Policy Review:</b>	May 2014	