

Agenda Item No: 5b (5)

STRATEGIC DELIVERY PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD OF 25TH JANUARY 2024



SUSTAINABILITY STRATEGIC DELIVERY PARTNERSHIP (SDP)

Date of last meetings: 6/12/2023

CURRENT ISSUES OF CONCERN/CHALLENGES REQUIRING SUPPORT FROM THE SDP CHAIRS EXECUTIVE:

The wide network of the Sustainability SDP / CPP provides opportunities for partnership working however Sustainability SDP subgroup structure requires to be developed to address priorities more effectively and improve accountability. Main challenges to deal with breadth of topics and interlinkages as relevant activity currently happening across all SDPs. Themed meetings are already underway to develop focused delivery against each priority further.

At the last meeting of the Sustainability SDP the SDP agreed to support the use of the Green Health Logo (produced as part of the nature calendar work) as a joint branding across all green health activities in South Ayrshire. This was also endorsed by the Population Health SDP. The CPP Board are now requested to also endorse and promote the adoption of this logo for Green Health Activities in South Ayrshire.

Follow up action recommended to be agreed by the SDP CHAIRS EXECUTIVE:

- Participation in the themed meetings from all partners is sought to identify relevance and links for each partner and SDP going forward.
- Endorsement of the Green Health Logo for South Ayrshire.

MAIN CURRENT FOCUS OF THE SDP

At the last meeting the following topics were addressed:

- Initial presentation from Susan McCardie regarding Community Planning and discussions regarding SDP priorities, structure, delivery capabilities, membership and linkages with other partners, SDPs and the wider CPP. Further development of an effective delivery structure focused on the achievement of collaborative change, including refresh of terms of reference, sub structure and membership as appropriate is the current main focus of the SDP.
- Travel and transport work, including partnership and collaborative work on sustainable and active travel in the area, was outlined by David Manson, ARA. David is happy to cover this in more detail at future meetings and establish links to existing groups and forums, some of which have only recently been set up with the community planning structure.
- Dawn Lochhead from Scottish Water set out the work the challenges they are responding to in South Ayrshire, giving particular detail about future expectations, requirements and in particular the example of Prestwick where work has been ongoing for some time and consultation is required.
- The new Nature Calendar to promote Green Health produced by the SAC Rangers Service and UnderSky was discussed along with the adoption of the Green Health Logo associated with this. The Partnership agreed to support the adoption of this Logo and partners were very positive about the potential for it to be used to help promote green health and an understanding of the value of green health. A video prepared by the SAC Young Conservation Volunteers regarding their hopes and fears

for the future with regard to a changing climate was also shared and discussed how this could be used for climate change engagement going forward.

- Liz Marquis, SDP chair, updated the partnership on COP28, underlining the critical importance of our ongoing delivery of our priorities.
- Public Bodies Duties Annual Climate Change Reporting was submitted for 2022/23 on 30 November and both Alastair Kay, NHS, and Lorna Jarvie, SAC gave updates. While progress is positive, there are still real challenges to be addressed by both organisations. Areas highlighted of particular concern included transport where in many areas emissions were rising to levels higher than before the pandemic despite new ways of working.

PROGRESS UPDATE (INCLUDING AREAS OF SUCCESS)

Very positive awareness and view of new SDP structure and partnership links.

LOIP PRIORITIES

Following engagement with SDP members as highlighted previously, the LOIP priorities, along with supporting narrative, which have been put forward for the new LOIP are as follows:

Energy

We will work to encourage appropriate energy use in South Ayrshire (reduced use through behaviour change, energy efficiency measures, good design etc) and promote low and zero carbon sources of energy where possible. We will work with partners to promote the installation of local renewable energy generation and its use. Demonstrating best practice in Scotland.

Food

We will promote healthy diet choices that reduce the ecological footprint of our food and encourage sustainable local food production and consumption.

Travel

We will work to promote and enable the sustainable travel hierarchy to reduce car distance driven and ensure when travel is required it is as sustainable, active, and low emission as possible. We will support 20-minute neighbourhoods.

Nature

We will work to create functional nature networks and connect people with nature

Meetings have begun to drill into the detail and delivery of each priority area and ensure mainstream collaborative delivery of meaningful change against the priorities without proliferation of duplication if at all avoidable.

KEY ISSUES

- Resourcing the SDP is a key challenge. Ongoing contributions to the group and priority areas need to be considered in terms of all the points above with a view to both engaged participation and more general information sharing needs as appropriate to focus any resources available from all the partners and the SDP as a whole on meaningful delivery as much as is possible.

UPDATE ON ACTION TO SUPPORT THE LOIP/PLACE PLANS

As above, development work is underway and will be the focus of activity into the spring.

Report Completed by:

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