

COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTICIPATION AND ENGAGEMENT GROUP UPDATE TO COMMUNITY PLANNING BOARD OF 18th APRIL 2024

Date of last meeting: 22nd March 2024

Main current focus of the group:

The main focus of the Community Planning Participation and Engagement Group is to inform the process of widening community engagement within a community planning setting through representation of communities of interest, forums that sit within VASA (Voluntary Action South Ayrshire) and community and third sector organisations. The Community Planning Participation and Engagement Group will also support the CPP on the best approaches for engagement activity for plans/strategies.

PROGRESS UPDATE

The last meeting of the group was held on the 22nd March 2024. The meeting principally focused on the following:

- South Ayrshire Council Local Heat and Energy Efficiency Strategy (LHEES). An LHEES is a Local Heat
 and Energy Efficiency Strategy, which sets out the long-term plan for improving energy efficiency and
 decarbonising heat in buildings across the SAC area. This will mean ensuring all buildings, homes,
 businesses, and public sector, are well insulated and utilising a zero-carbon heating source. Members
 of the CPPEG were asked to support raising awareness of the strategy and it was proposed that initial
 inputs are to be given to Locality Planning Partnerships.
- An input was also given on Sustainability and Climate Change and again looking at support from the CPPEG around climate literacy, climate change, raising awareness of Earth Hour, wildflower planting and promoting the new <u>Green Health Calendar</u>. Members were also advised of the consultation taking place in relation to flooding in Prestwick (this was scheduled for 13th April).
- Updates were also provided on the results of the LOIP consultation and Democracy Matters engagement.

KEY ISSUES/ACTIONS

The group will continue to provide support/advise regarding upcoming consultations.

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