

MINUTES OF MEETING OF the CLACKMANNANSHIRE ALLIANCE
held via MS Teams, on Thursday 18th June, 2020 at 10.00 a.m.



PRESENT:

Councillor Ellen Forson, Clackmannanshire Council (*Chair*)
Nikki Bridle, Clackmannanshire Council (*until 11.50am*)
Mark Bryce, Scottish Fire & Rescue Service (*until 12.05pm*)
Councillor Dave Clark, Clackmannanshire Council
Anthea Coulter, Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface
Cathie Cowan, NHS Forth Valley (*until 11.35am*)
Stuart Crickmar, Clackmannanshire Council
Pete Leonard, Clackmannanshire Council
Audrey Marsh, Police Scotland
Fiona McOmish, Clackmannanshire Council
Councillor Les Sharp, Clackmannanshire Council

IN ATTENDANCE:

Cherie Jarvie, Clackmannanshire Council
Roddy McDonald, Scottish Government
Mandy Paterson, Police Scotland
Allan Rennie, HSCP

1.0 Welcome from the Chair & Apologies

ACTION

- 1.1 The Chair welcomed Partners to the meeting and invited them to consider the opportunity for greater partnership working for the recovery process.
- 1.2 Apologies were received from: Pamela Duncan, Forth Valley College; Val Rose CTSI *represented by Anthea Coulter*; Councillor Martha Bennie, Lorraine Sanda, Fiona Duncan, Clackmannanshire Council; Mike Mulraney, Clackmannanshire Business; Lawrence Syper, Scottish Enterprise *represented by Julian Pace*

2.0 COVID19 Response and Recovery Updates from Each Partner:

- 2.1 Partners gave verbal updates and answered questions on their respective organisation's response to Covid-19 including: priority areas of work and resourcing; implications for operations of social distancing; and proposals for future partnership work based on lessons learned from experiences of dealing with Covid-19.
 - a) **Clackmannanshire Council** drew Partners' attention to the paper going to Council on the 25th of May and its 3 core workstreams originally underpinning 'Be The Future'. The Council proposed priorities could be updated and the themes could be the framework for the recovery phase as well and the Alliance could undertake (virtual) workshops over the Summer.

Partners agreed there are existing local models for partnership

working and opportunities for Partners other than the Council to take leadership roles in community planning from which the Alliance could learn.

The opportunity for action planning to address recovery using LOIP priorities and set SMART objectives which set clear tasks to specified Partners was also noted.

- b) **CTSI** highlighted the resourcefulness, innovation and people-focused response of the third sector as an example of quick and effective response to Covid-19 and as a resource for informing recovery/ renewal planning. CTSI proposed that the Alliance harness the community leadership shown during lockdown and look for co-produced solutions. CTSI also proposed the need to move funding on a place-based model the better to inspire community leadership and ownership.

The correlation between the strength of an anchor organisation in each community and the level of community-led response was noted, and the relevance of the outcome of the Local Governance Review in strengthening community representation.

- c) **Police Scotland** reported increases in calls relating to vulnerable people and in scams and shoplifting crime. The Police are expecting to have to divert resources to work relating to violence against women and girls, and licensing issues. Police Scotland confirmed they are ready for an increase in Public Protection issues should an upsurge occur
- d) **NHS Forth Valley** are in the process of changing arrangements to account for the challenges of social distancing for services and confirmed the resources are in place for any second wave. Plans have already taken into consideration the potential to use community-owned buildings as additional space for community-based services.
- e) **Scottish Fire & Rescue Service** have set up a new group to assess status and plan for recovery and future emergencies. The local plan is under review and will be circulated to Partners to comment on priorities.
- f) Julian Pace introduced himself as **Scottish Enterprise's** new Head of Partnership for the Clackmannanshire area. Scottish Enterprise co-ordinated a multi-agency response to supporting business through the lockdown through grants and a suite of programmes of practical support, including the dedication of an officer and other assistance to City Region Deal.

A breakdown of funding criteria, applications and allocations in Clackmannanshire will be shared with Partners and detailed discussions with individual Partners will be followed-up off-table.

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Scottish Enterprise will provide a paper on the circular economy to a future Alliance meeting.

3.0 Poverty Impacts arising from COVID19

- 3.1 The Alliance considered a paper outlining how it is thought that Covid-19 has changed the shape of poverty, and agreed to set up a working group to carry out research by mid/ end of July to inform the proposed Summer workshops. CTSI will forward a paper on sustainable places to be considered along with the research findings.
- 3.2 The Alliance agreed to invite Stirling University to join future meetings in light of the extent of their involvement in the work of the Partnership.

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4.0 Positive Destinations: Clackmannanshire Deal

- 4.1 The Alliance considered a paper outlining the partnership approach to destination offers for young people who are not achieving at school and will need support in transitions. It was agreed that discussions would benefit from a further paper with detail which would answer governance, financial and resourcing and statistical questions.

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The meeting closed at 12.15.

Next Meeting - Friday, 4th September 2020

Schedule of 2020 meetings:

4th September 2020 4th December 2020