

# ANGUS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Minute of Meeting of the **ANGUS COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP BOARD** held in the Strathmore Room, William Wallace House, Orchardbank, Forfar, on Wednesday 21 June 2017 at 10.00 am.

**Present:** ANGUS COUNCIL  
COUNCILLOR BOB MYLES, Leader of the Council  
MARGO WILLIAMSON, Chief Executive

NHS TAYSIDE  
No Representative present

ANGUS INTEGRATED JOINT BOARD  
Representative to be appointed

VOLUNTARY ACTION ANGUS  
NEIL PRENTICE, Vice-Chair  
GARY MALONE, Chief Executive Officer

SCOTTISH FIRE AND RESCUE  
EWAN BAIRD, Group Manager

POLICE SCOTLAND  
Chief Inspector DAVID MCINTOSH

DUNDEE & ANGUS COLLEGE  
RAY MUDIE, Vice Principal for Planning & Learner Services

BUSINESS  
No Representative present

CONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT  
No Representative present

**Also Present:** IAIN MORRISON, Scottish Government;  
VIVIEN SMITH, Angus Council, Head of Strategic Policy and Transformation  
ANNE MOLLISON, Angus Council, Service Manager – Community Planning.;  
GRAHAM HEWITSON, Angus Council, Service Manager – Communities.  
ANDREW WILSON, Angus Council, Committee Officer.

NEIL PRENTICE, Convener, in the Chair.

## 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were intimated on behalf of Dr Drew Walker, Director of Public Health, NHS Tayside; Colin Grieve, Area Manager, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (Ewan Baird, Group Manager, substituting); Chief Superintendent Paul Anderson, Police Scotland (Chief Inspector David McIntosh substituting); and David Patel, Scottish Government Location Director (Iain Morrison substituting).

## 2. MINUTE OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minute of meeting of the Board of 27 March 2017 was submitted and approved as a correct record.

## 3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MINUTE

**The Board agreed to note the following:**

**(1) Locality Plans (Article 11 refers)**

The Group meeting proposed had not taken place due to the national security situation status being raised to *Critical* on the date arranged. A replacement meeting date has been scheduled.

**(2) Support for the Engineering and Advanced Manufacture Sector in Angus and the North East (Article 10 refers) and Tay Cities Bid**

The General Election had delayed consideration by the Scottish and UK Governments of the Tay Cities Deal application. This was now expected to take place in September 2017 when a presentation would be made to both Governments. The outline business case was due to be submitted in October with a key date for final responses back to the Governments in December.

The general impression surrounding the bid was that the two Governments were expected to give a positive reception to the bid, although more work remained to be done. This was particularly the case with tourism which offered the opportunity of a significant economic boost for communities. It was understood that the University of Dundee had employed a consultant to look at their three key projects and had invited the Lead Minister to a meeting in July.

Following the local authority elections, the four new Council Leaders in Tayside and Fife had renewed their commitment to the bid.

**4. COMMUNITY LEARNING DEVELOPMENT INSPECTION PLAN**

There was submitted a Report updating the Board on the outcomes of an Education Scotland inspection of Community Learning and Development (CLD) in Angus held during February and March 2017. The Scottish Government expected local authorities 'to provide clear leadership and direction' and to drive the action needed to ensure that the contribution of CLD Partners and the Reform of Public Services was maximised. Local authorities were legally obliged to fulfil this role by The Requirements For Community Learning And Development (Scotland) Regulations 2013 (CLD Regulations), including the production of the three year plan for CLD within that local authority area. It was anticipated that there would be agreed contributions from the full range of partners to meeting CLD needs in Angus.

The inspection concluded that CLD in Angus was good overall with all four quality indicators drawn from the 'how good is the learning and development in our community' framework graded as good. Importantly, the positive feedback was for a range of partners, and not only for Angus Council. The views of the Inspectors confirmed the Partnership's own view as to the status of CLD in Angus. The Inspectors met many of the people most involved locally, especially in Arbroath which was where the place-based phase of the inspection focussed. Joint planning and self evaluation and shared aims and constant challenge had been key characteristics and strategies were in place for making progress. There remained a need to build on a sense of shared purpose but the inspection overall was a positive experience with a positive outcome.

CLD and its development within Communities offered a great opportunity to help tackle poverty and more work and effort should be invested in terms of the Christie Report and tackling disadvantage through empowering communities – the Meeting recognised that more remained to be done on that. The Inspection did suggest that this work was on track, and that when the Plan was in place in September it was probable that progress would have been made by then. Inspection, however, assessed the situation as it found it at that time. The overall aim must be to achieve a preventative strategy to avoid the increase in the level of poverty which was evident now as compared with even a year ago.

The Board agreed:-

- (i) to note the conclusions and recommendations of the Education (Scotland) Inspection of CLD in Angus;**
- (ii) to commend the staff in the CLD provider agencies for their work and the positive impact they were having in Angus; and**

- (iii) to request an update on progress in responding to the identified areas for action in 12 months time.

## 5. PUBLIC CONSULTATION ON THE DRAFT ANGUS LOCAL FIRE AND RESCUE PLAN 2017

Ewan Baird, on behalf of Roy Dunsire, reported that consultation on the Draft Angus Local Fire and Rescue Plan was now open. It had been based on a wide range of information including performance results against priorities, and engagement with Partnership Members. Use is being made of the Citizen Space tool to involve members of the public. Specific activities were planned with stakeholders, and the on-line consultation would be open until **13 September 2017** on both the Council and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service websites, via the following link: <https://firescotland.citizenspace.com/planning-and-performance/angus-draft-local-plan/>

The draft Plan would be submitted to the Council's Scrutiny and Audit Committee at its meeting on 26 September 2017. All feedback was welcomed and should be directed to Roy.

It was observed that the various plans from different partners were beginning to come into alignment - for example, those of the Fire and Rescue Service, Police Scotland and the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan. Fire and Safety was of course highly topical following the recent major incident in London which had also shown the relationship between poverty and inequality. The focus of the Fire and Rescue Service had shifted to prevention as the top priority rather than extinguishing fires. It was also refreshing to see the three Tayside Council areas aligning their Plans at the same time.

The Board **agreed to note the position.**

## 6. ANGUS LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN

There was submitted the discussion document and feedback from the Partnership Workshop which had taken place in Kirriemuir Town Hall on 7 June 2017. The aim of the Workshop had been to begin the process of identifying outcomes for the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan (LOIP). It had been unfortunate that there was no health service presence on the day; however the gathering was able to give some consideration to the three Pillars of People, Place and Economy. There was identified a need to be shifting more quickly to a preventative focus and a clear leadership steer (see item 8 below). It was important to have the right membership of Groups and that NHS Tayside bought into this process both at a Tayside and at a local level. The paper submitted identified a number of stretch aims and statements, with partners focusing on what were their main ambitions and objectives.

The Third Sector still required to clarify how things fitted into the three Pillars, while acknowledging that data collection had been good. The general impression was that the workshop had been a positive day and the new structure was beginning to come together with plenty of positive energy and a determination that reducing inequalities should result in bringing lower levels/standards up to where they should be, and not vice-versa.

The Board **welcomed the outcomes generally, and agreed to note the position.**

## 7. DEVELOPMENT OF LOCALITY PLANS

With reference to Article 11 of the minute of meeting of the Board of 27 March 2017, there was submitted Report updating the Board on the development of Locality Plans and specially, the progress of stakeholder engagement activity. These activities, taking place in late May and early to mid June, had been designed to incorporate a range of activities, planned and delivered in a multi agency basis with a particular emphasis on a collaborative approach with the Angus Health and Social Care Partnership. Small partnership groupings in each locality would analyse and interpret information emerging from the engagement locally in the course of early July. The results would inform the preparation of draft Locality Plans, subject to further comment by partners before final publication in September 2017 following final Board approval.

It was acknowledged that the public was simply looking for action and results; engagement had been very good. It was noted however that much of the activity required to be pulled together by the Council and with the use of Council facilities, and that certain Partners still required to get involved. It was vital for the success of Locality Planning that the whole

Partnership and the whole Community of Angus was involved. The Scottish Government was keen to see co-ordinated relations between Third Sector, Health and Community Planning.

The Board **agreed to note the position.**

## **8. PROPOSED RESTRUCTURE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP**

There was submitted a Report advising as to the proposed new structure and roles, remits and membership of the Angus Community Planning Partnership to reflect the development of the Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and Locality Plans. The proposed meeting of Board representatives had not taken place and had been rescheduled (Article 3(1) above refers). In order to ensure that the Partnership was 'fit for purpose', the structure, roles, remits and membership had been reviewed. The proposed new structure took into account guidance from Scottish Government and the requirement for the Partnership to publish a Local Outcomes Improvement Plan and Locality Plans by 1 October 2017.

The Report set out the way in which the focus of the ACPP required to change while the proposed new way of working was detailed in four Appendices. The objective of the changes was to facilitate contributions from all Partners, not only the Council. Already the Partnership had agreed to changes in the chairing arrangements in a manner which ensured future continuity as well as a balance on the Board. When the Thematic Partnerships had been abolished a gap had been left between the Board and the Angus-wide work which was required. It was therefore proposed that an Executive Group be set up to ensure that the business of the Partnership was carried through. There was still a need for Partners to become increasingly engaged – some of these would be local Partners some statutory agencies. This wider Group of Partners would come together twice per annum to progress the aims of the Partnership. The Executive Group would also take over the role and remit of the current Resources Group.

The Board would continue to be responsible for governance and oversight and its membership would reflect the Partners who had greatest ability to deliver outcomes and who had a real focus on the needs of Angus as a whole. The extent of the Council's involvement reflected the range of services provided by the Council but the private sector was relatively under-represented, given the potential contribution of wealth and business growth in the community provided by that sector.

The Board:

- (i) agreed in principle to the establishment of the new structure but that the remit of the Executive Group's co-ordinating role and how it linked to the Board should be clarified; and**
- (ii) that the structure be reviewed annually to ensure that the different bodies were meeting their required roles as intended.**

## **9. THIRD SECTOR INTERFACE EVALUATION BY SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT**

Gary Malone gave a verbal update on the Scottish Government Inspection of the effectiveness of the Third Sector Interface (TSI) in six areas of Scotland to become leadership organisations working for change. Consultation was now being carried out and the Chair of VAA and Gary himself would be presenting the Angus view to Scottish Government. He requested that all members of the Board took the opportunity to have their views reflected by responding to the Survey Monkey circulated with the papers for today's meeting.

Scottish Government funding accounted for 25% of VAA's total funding and therefore it was important for Partners to become involved and make comment. All input from Partners would be welcomed.

The Board **noted the position.**

## **10. VOLUNTARY ACTION ANGUS DRAFT STRATEGIC PLAN 2017-2020**

There was submitted a draft Strategic Plan for VAA, introduced by Gary Malone, which had been compiled, based on the knowledge and feedback of how the organisation was performing. The Third Sector was supporting organisations locally and more Third Sector

Partners were now at the 'top table' in Angus than ever before through the Third Sector Collaborative. TSIs across Scotland were learning how to create social enterprises such as befriending; or volunteer driving, to support them for a period and then step aside to let them develop independently. Working together to serve communities was what underpinned the strategy.

Gary urged colleagues on the Board to comment on the VAA Plan and sought all responses by August.

The Board **noted the position.**

#### **11. RESOURCES GROUP UPDATE**

There was submitted and **noted** the minute of the meeting of the Resources Group of 10 May 2017.

The Board further **noted that the Resources Group would be disbanded under the new structure.**

#### **12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING AND SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS CALENDAR 2017**

The Board **noted** that the Partnership was scheduled to meet on 6 September and 15 November 2017 at 10.00; and that the Board itself was scheduled to meet on 20 September and 6 December 2017, also at 10.00.