

To: Renfrewshire Forum For Empowering Communities

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TITLE:

LOCAL PARTNERSHIP UPDATE

1. Summary

- 1.1 New arrangements for the establishment of Local Partnerships to replace Local Area Committees in Renfrewshire was agreed by Renfrewshire Council on 27 September 2018.
- 1.2 There will be seven Local Partnership areas established across Renfrewshire, based on aggregates of community councils. The key features of Local Partnerships are: a refresh of the aims of community level governance, a move from being committees to partnerships, extending voting rights to community organisations, a greater role for public services and wider engagement with communities. The paper to Renfrewshire Council is Item 4 on the following link:

<http://renfrewshire.cmis.uk.com/renfrewshire/Document.ashx?czJKcaeAi5tUFL1DTL2UE4zNRBcoShgo=nVNxdoM6ouKlyGtRRLbwwd4l8tYg0bfKK5F1uPGxZYK%2fdXkDPDqngA%3d%3d&rUzwRPf%2bZ3zd4E7lkn8Lyw%3d%3d=pwRE6AGJFLDNlh225F5QMaQWCtPHwdhUfCZ%2fLUQzgA2uL5jNRG4jdQ%3d%3d&mCTIbCubSFfXsDGW9lXnlq%3d%3d=hFflUdN3100%3d&kCx1AnS9%2fpWZQ40DXFvdEw%3d%3d=hFflUdN3100%3d&uJovDxwdjMPoYv%2bAJvYtyA%3d%3d=ctNJff55vVA%3d&FgPIIEJYlotS%2bYGoBi5olA%3d%3d=NHdURQburHA%3d&d9Qjj0ag1Pd993jsyOJqFvmyB7X0CSQK=ctNJff55vVA%3d&WGewmoAfeNR9xqBux0r1Q8Za60lavYmz=ctNJff55vVA%3d&WGewmoAfeNQ16B2MHuCPMRKZMwaG1PaO=ctNJff55vVA%3d>

- 1.3 Seven events, attended by a total of 164 people, were held in October/November 2018 across all the proposed new partnership areas. The breakdown of attendance was as follows:

Venue	Attendance
Erskine Music and Media	15
Glenburn Community Centre	25
Johnstone Town Hall	44
Lochwinnoch	11
Paisley Town Hall	21
Renfrew Town Hall	24
Tannahill Centre	24

- 1.4 The events looked in particular at priorities for each of the local areas, how meetings should be conducted and criteria for membership. Applications for membership of Local Partnerships will be accepted until 14 December 2018.
- 1.5 The information generated from the events will be used to inform the establishment of the new Local Partnerships.
- 1.6 Subsequent to the events taking place in October and November, a decision was taken to postpone the initial round of Local Partnership meetings and reschedule these early in 2019. These arrangements are now being finalised.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that Renfrewshire Forum For Empowering Communities:
 - (a) Note that Local Partnerships will be established in 2019;
 - (b) Note the output from the Local Partnership Events held in autumn 2018; and
 - (c) Agrees to support the implementation of Local Partnerships in 2019.

3. Background

- 3.1 As reported to Renfrewshire Forum For Empowering Communities in September 2018, Renfrewshire Community Planning Partnership is in the process of establishing geographic Local Partnerships, to replace the Local Area Committees operated by Renfrewshire Council. This will provide a more partnership-focused way for public services and local communities to engage with each other.
- 3.2 The arrangements for Local Partnerships were agreed by Renfrewshire Council on 27 September 2018. As part of these arrangements a series of local events was held during October/November 2018, as part of the preparation for launching the new Partnerships. This will now take place early in 2019.

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