

To: Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership

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Report by:
Chief Executive, Renfrewshire Council

TITLE:
**PAISLEY NORTH, WEST AND CENTRAL LOCAL PARTNERSHIP
PRIORITIES**

1. Summary

- 1.1 Paisley North, West and Central Local Partnership agreed a number of priority areas for focus at the meeting on 19 March 2019.
- 1.2 These Local Priorities should help develop the agenda and workplan for the Local Partnership moving forward, and it is recommended that members of the Local Partnership discuss the Local Priorities and agree how they wish to progress their agenda.
- 1.3 It is anticipated that Local Partnerships may want to refine their Local Priorities as the Partnership continues to develop. This is an opportunity to review and refine prior to the allocation of grant funding in 2020/21.

2. Recommendations

- 2.1 It is recommended that members:
 - a) Review and reflect on the draft priorities for Paisley North, West and Central, which are outlined in Section 3 of this report
 - b) Agree how the priorities can shape the Local Partnership's work plan moving forward
 - c) Identify any particular agenda items for the next 12 months, including partners they may wish to invite to the Local Partnership to provide further information on a specific topic

3. **Background**

3.1 At the meeting in March 2019, Local Partnership members, considering local information and their experience of the local area, identified three draft priorities as part of a facilitated discussion.

3.2 These were drafted in four priority statements, and are as follows:

1. Community Empowerment

The Local partnership want more people to get involved in their community. They want to activate new community groups, and explore the sustainability of the local groups that already exist. This includes succession planning for groups and exploring the availability and sustainability of funding for groups in the area.

2. Tackling social isolation to promote health

The Local Partnership want to help connect people to each other and see this as key to promoting health and wellbeing in the area. They think a key barrier is people being able to physically get to Paisley town centre to access services and groups.

3. Green spaces

The Local Partnership want to see the development and maintenance of high-quality green spaces in the area and the use of these spaces to promote physical and mental health. They particularly want to address safety and lighting in order to safely access these spaces at night.

4. Community safety

The Local Partnership want to help people to feel safe in their community. This includes being able to move around the area safely, by tackling issues with pavements and pathways, dog fouling and litter. They also think it is important that there are activities available for young people to avoid them becoming involved in anti-social behaviour and crime.

3.3 It is recommended that Local Partnership members revisit these priorities and identify how the priorities can start to develop a workplan. Members may wish to consider the following points for discussion:

- (a) How would the Local Partnership like to structure its work – for example, is there a Local Priority which is more urgent, or could the Partnership use the priorities as ‘themes’ for future meetings?
- (b) Are there any priority areas where the Local Partnership would like further information, and who could provide this?

- (c) Are there particular partners or stakeholders which the Local Partnership would like to invite to the Local Partnership?
- (d) Is there any further engagement around the priorities that needs to be done with communities in the Paisley North, West and Central area?
- (e) How could Partner representatives in the Police, HSCP and Engage Renfrewshire support the work of the Partnership?
- (f) Are there specific goals or objectives that the Local Partnership would like to agree in order to progress the Partnership's work?

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