

To: Paisley North West and Central Local Partnership

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TITLE:
Paisley North West and Central Local Priorities Workshop

1. Summary

- 1.1 Paisley North West and Central Local Partnership has agreed a set of local priorities for the area on which it wishes to see progress made. The four priorities are: Community Empowerment; Tackling Social Isolation To Promote Health; Green Spaces; and Community Safety. These priorities are set out in Appendix 1 and include some specific points that members wanted to see progress
- 1.2 These local priorities have been used in the first instance to guide allocation of Paisley North West and Central Local Partnership funding. However, there may be other actions that the members of the Local Partnerships and their organisations could take to progress the local priorities.
- 1.3 Taking specific points under each of the four local priorities Local Partnership members are invited to discuss in a workshop format at the meeting:

What can we do together as a Local Partnership to:

- Activate new local community groups.
- Explore sustainability of existing groups, including succession planning.
- Raise awareness of the availability and sustainability of funding opportunities for local groups.
- Connect people to each other.
- Enable people to get to Paisley town centre to access services.
- Develop and maintain high quality Green Spaces.
- Use Green Spaces to promote physical and mental health.
- Address safety and lighting to make Green Spaces accessible at night.
- Enable people to move around their area safely.
- Make activities available for young people.

- 1.4 Ideas generated from the discussion will be collated and used to identify possible actions, for agreement at the next Local Partnership meeting in February 2022.

2. **Recommendation**

- 2.1 It is recommended that members of the Local Partnership participate in the workshop session and agree to the way forward outlined at paragraph 1.4.

Paisley North West and Central Local Partnership Priorities

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.

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.

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 address safety and lighting in order to safely access these spaces at night.

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.