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Communities Committee**

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Notice is given that a Meeting of the **Communities Committee** is to be held in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre, Windmillhill Street, Motherwell, ML1 1AB on Monday, 29 April 2024 at 10:00 AM which you are requested to attend.

The agenda of business is attached.

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Members :

K Stevenson, P Patton, D Ashraf, C Barclay, A Beveridge, B Burgess, D Crichton, K Duffy, F Fotheringham, K Harmon, M Hughes, J Jones, A Khan, M McBride, B McCluskey, B McCulloch, J McLaren, L Mitchell, L Nolan, D Robb, N Shevlin, A Smith, J Toner, C Williams, G Woods.

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COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

- (1) To oversee plans to work with communities to ensure effective participation in improving services with our community planning partners as set out in following legislation:-
 - the Local Government (Scotland) Act 2003, and
 - the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.
- (2) To oversee the community engagement strategy in accordance with need and inequality priorities.
- (3) To determine requests for financial assistance from voluntary and community organisations under the provision of grant schemes relating to community development and learning.
- (4) To determine requests for support for attendance at sports events and for the promotion of sports facilities for people with disabilities.
- (5) To consider plans for the direction and management of the Community Boards.
- (6) To consider and agree action in relation to petitions received by the Council relative to the business of the Committee.
- (7) To maintain a strategic overview of the Council's policies and functions in relation to community safety and anti-social behaviour and to consider matters in relation to the Council's participation in community safety partnership arrangements and initiatives.
- (8) To provide a community learning and development service to support young people and families.
- (9) To monitor and approve expenditure falling within the remit of this Committee consistent with approved Council objectives.
- (10) To oversee the functions of the Council in delivering the statutory responsibilities in relation to integrity planning and the prevention of serious and organised crime and terrorism.
- (11) To review any application for a Community Asset Transfer which has previously been refused by the Council, in accordance with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.
- (12) To accept tenders for previously approved projects within the responsibility of this Committee.
- (13) To consider and agree action in relation to petitions received by the Council relative to the business of the Committee.
- (14) To grant authority to Members to attend seminars, conferences and other visits concerning matters within the area of responsibility of this Committee.
- (15) To oversee plans to promote the engagement and involvement of North Lanarkshire's young people in the strategic mainstream planning of services and to monitor the impact and outcomes of youth engagement plans.
- (16) To determine strategies and frameworks for Youth Services, including employability, and monitor outcomes.
- (17) To consider reports in relation to matters of planning, infrastructure, health, employability and education that may directly impact upon young people within the community.

- (18) To consider evaluation reports of young people's achievements and data prepared in partnership with or by key partner/stakeholder organisations.
- (19) To consider and make recommendations to the Council regarding adoption and amendment of the statutory scheme for the establishment of Community Councils and to consider and determine on behalf of the Council all other matters relating to Community Councils.
- (20) * To consider the establishment of and all other matters relating to Town Twinning links.
- (21) To oversee the management and performance of the sports, recreational, leisure and cultural facilities within the Council's control in terms of previously approved budgets.
- (22) To oversee the exercise of the Council's functions in relation to the promotion of sport, public art, community fitness, including recreation, leisure and cultural activities, and in relation to the promotion and encouragement of festivals and other forms of entertainment.
- (23) To promote sports, recreational and leisure facilities provided by the Council, to liaise with other agencies and to co-ordinate the necessarily ancillary services of the Council to promote tourism within North Lanarkshire.
- (24) To liaise with and support other agencies and voluntary bodies in the promotion of sporting, recreational, leisure, cultural and catering facilities.
- (25) To secure arrangements for the programme of building community and sports facilities within the framework of the overall aims of the Council and within the allocation of resources of the Council for such purposes.
- (26) To oversee the provision of sports, recreational and leisure facilities including libraries, museums and art galleries and other cultural facilities, and to co-ordinate and oversee the activities of the Council with regard to the direct provision of festivals and other forms of entertainment.
- (27) To oversee the functions of the Council with regard to heritage and provide a historical archive service.
- (28) To oversee arrangements for the community use of Council property, including education operational property.
- (29) To consider the appointment of any body to manage and supervise a community and learning centre.
- (30) To oversee the development, operation and monitoring of concessionary access schemes.
- (31) To make and review management rules relating to sports, recreational and leisure facilities provided by the Council.
- (32) Provide financial inclusion services for the Council in the Health and Social Care Partnership and monitor the provision of related services delivered through external funding to third party providers.
- (33) To oversee the provision of community facilities including halls and community centres.
- (34) To allocate funds for cultural activities within previously approved budget limits.
- (35) To oversee plans for the development of projects under the Local Development Programme to address local needs.

12 February 2024 at 10 am.

A Meeting of the **PETITIONS SUB-COMMITTEE**

PRESENT

Councillor Reddin, Convener; Councillor Patton, Vice-Convener; Councillors Costello, Hughes, Leckie, McLaren, McManus, Sullivan and Wilson.

ALSO PRESENT

In accordance with Standing Order 64(A) Councillors Carragher and Robinson attended as substitutes for Councillors Ashraf and Smith respectively.

CHAIR

Councillor Reddin (Convener) presided.

IN ATTENDANCE

Transportation Manager, and Principal Democratic Officer.

APOLOGIES

Councillors Ashraf, Boyd, McCluskey and Smith.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST IN TERMS OF THE ETHICAL STANDARDS IN PUBLIC LIFE ETC. (SCOTLAND) ACT 2000

1. There were no declarations of interest.

PROCEDURE FOR CONSIDERATION OF PETITIONS

2. There was submitted, for information purposes, the procedure for considering petitions by the Sub-Committee as approved by it at its meeting held on 2 November 2022.

Decided: that the procedure for considering a petition received by the Council be noted.

PETITION - REQUEST FOR ONE-WAY REGULATION ORDER - AFTON ROAD, CUMBERNAULD

3. There was submitted (1) a report by the Chief Officer (Place) advising the Committee of investigations carried out in response to the petition for a one-way traffic operation on Afton Road, Cumbernauld; (2) a petition submitted by Kildrum Community Council seeking a decision by the Council to make Afton Road a one-way street.

Decided:

- (1) that the investigations undertaken, and the response to the petition received on 7 February 2023, be acknowledged;
- (2) that there is no evidence base for any road safety interventions at this location, and
- (3) that, accordingly, the terms of the petition be not approved.

North Lanarkshire Council Report

Communities Committee

Does this report require to be approved? ☒ Yes ☐ No

Ref LR/HL

Date 29/04/24

Cumbernauld Theatre Trust – Service Level Agreement and Funding Agreement 2024/25

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Executive Summary

This report provides an update on the recently agreed Service Level Agreement with Cumbernauld Theatre Trust (CTT), seeks approval of the proposed funding agreement for the period 2024-25 and provides an update on operation of the Lanternhouse Venue over the last year.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee:

1. Acknowledges the terms of the Service Level Agreement with Cumbernauld Theatre Trust, attached at Appendix One.
2. Approve the funding of Cumbernauld Theatre Trust to the value of £100,300 for the period 2024-25.
3. Otherwise, note the contents of the report.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority	Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities
Ambition statement	(15) Encourage the health and wellbeing of people through a range of social, cultural, and leisure activities
Programme of Work	Statutory / corporate / service requirement

1. Background

- 1.1 Cumbernauld Theatre Trust (CTT) began operating from the new, custom-built theatre on the Cumbernauld Academy campus in September 2021. Working in partnership with North Lanarkshire Council, the Lanternhouse Theatre offers a varied and quality cultural programme and works in support of the creative industries. The venue provides access to the community, an asset to schools, community groups and colleges and also works to improve employability opportunities in North Lanarkshire.

2. Report

- 2.1 In line with the council's ongoing support of CTT and our shared partnership within the Lanternhouse, a grant of £100,300 is proposed for 2024-25. This commitment supports the work of CTT and in addition, underpins the council's commitment to improving the health and wellbeing of our communities by supporting participation in a range of social, cultural and leisure activities. The performance of CTT is monitored by the Active & Creative Communities Manager who attends quarterly meetings of the CTT Board and work in partnership with the organisation to maximise the success of this important community venture.
- 2.2 In support of the proposed grant, North Lanarkshire Council has put in place a Service Level Agreement, attached at Appendix One, which sets out the terms of the agreement to operate in partnership a cultural and community venue which presents a varied and quality cultural programme and supports community participation and the creative industries. The terms of the agreement set out a number of targets to support community participation and engagement through the use of:
- drama productions
 - drama productions aimed at children & young people
 - youth theatre provision
 - music
 - dance
 - Christmas production
 - Cinema
- 2.3 North Lanarkshire Council has a strong partnership with CTT, with the council responsible for the management of community hires and the overall operation of the building.
- 2.4 CTT have experienced another positive year of engagement, albeit it is recognised that much of the theatre landscape continues to be challenged post-recovery from the pandemic. The Trust continue to focus on supporting in-house production wherever possible, with a range of collaborative productions led by local groups being given the opportunity to present in a first-class theatre environment. Supporting visitor theatre companies across Scotland has generated good levels of income and highlighted the importance of the venue to the overall Creative Scotland agenda. CTT income also relies on cinema use with a range of popular films shown throughout the year. Moving forward, the Trust are seeking to better understand and target services to their audience and a focus on marketing and communication is key at this time. Working in partnership, the council has provided an opportunity to also tie in with Active & Creative Communities customer base to share offers, as appropriate.

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 Achieved ambition of delivering a cultural and community hub which presents a varied and quality cultural programme and supports the creative industries. The venue provides access to the community, provide an asset to schools, community groups and colleges and also improve employability opportunities in North Lanarkshire.
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Lyall Rennie
Chief Officer (Community Operations)

4. Impacts

4.1 Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty Does the report contain information that has an impact as a result of the Public Sector Equality Duty and/or Fairer Scotland Duty? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact? If Yes, has an assessment been carried out and published on the council's website? https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/your-community/equalities/equality-and-fairer-scotland-duty-impact-assessments Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
4.2 Financial impact Does the report contain any financial impacts? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant financial impacts been discussed and agreed with Finance? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact? Discussions with Financial Solutions have confirmed funding is in place to support this recommendation.
4.3 HR policy impact Does the report contain any HR policy or procedure impacts? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant HR impacts been discussed and agreed with People Resources? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?
5.4 Legal impact Does the report contain any legal impacts (such as general legal matters, statutory considerations (including employment law considerations), or new legislation)? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant legal impacts been discussed and agreed with Legal and Democratic? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?
5.5 Data protection impact Does the report / project / practice contain or involve the processing of personal data? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, is the processing of this personal data likely to result in a high risk to the data subject? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, has a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) been carried out and e-mailed to dataprotection@northlan.gov.uk Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
5.6 Technology / Digital impact Does the report contain information that has an impact on either technology, digital transformation, service redesign / business change processes, data management, or connectivity / broadband / Wi-Fi? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

<p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p> <p>Where the impact identifies a requirement for significant technology change, has an assessment been carried out (or is scheduled to be carried out) by the Enterprise Architecture Governance Group (EAGG)?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5.7 Environmental / Carbon impact</p> <p>Does the report / project / practice contain information that has an impact on any environmental or carbon matters?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.8 Communications impact</p> <p>Does the report contain any information that has an impact on the council's communications activities?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.9 Risk impact</p> <p>Is there a risk impact?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the key risks and potential impacts, highlighting where the risk(s) are assessed and recorded (e.g. Corporate or Service or Project Risk Registers), and how they are managed?</p>
<p>5.10 Armed Forces Covenant Duty</p> <p>Does the report require to take due regard of the Armed Forces Covenant Duty (i.e. does it relate to healthcare, housing, or education services for in-Service or ex-Service personnel, or their families, or widow(er)s)?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the provision which has been made to ensure there has been appropriate consideration of the particular needs of the Armed Forces community to make sure that they do not face disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public services.</p>
<p>5.11 Children's rights and wellbeing impact</p> <p>Does the report contain any information regarding any council activity, service delivery, policy, or plan that has an impact on children and young people up to the age of 18, or on a specific group of these?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact and the provision that has been made to ensure there has been appropriate consideration of the relevant Articles from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).</p> <p>If Yes, has a Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment (CRWIA) been carried out?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Appendix One - FUNDING AGREEMENT between NORTH LANARKSHIRE COUNCIL and CUMBERNAULD THEATRE TRUST LIMITED

2024-25

THE FUNDING AGREEMENT

This funding agreement sets out the conditions under which the sum of £100,300 is awarded by **North Lanarkshire Council** (hereinafter referred to as **the council**) and **Cumbernauld Theatre Trust** (hereinafter referred to as **the organisation**). The funding agreement may not be altered without prior consultation with North Lanarkshire Council.

SECTION A – ACTIVITIES AND UNDERTAKINGS

OPERATING ARRANGEMENTS & PROGRAMME

- 1.1 Aim - to promote a quality, accessible programme of performing arts activities.
- 1.2 This Funding Agreement sets out the terms of the agreement to operate in partnership a cultural and community venue which presents a varied and quality cultural programme and supports community participation and the creative industries. The venue will operate, under the terms of the Licence to Operate, for the subjects known as Lanternhouse, Cumbernauld Theatre, Cumbernauld Academy Hub, Cumbernauld providing access to the community, an asset to schools, community groups and colleges and also improve employability opportunities in North Lanarkshire.
- 1.3 On the assumption that reasonable budget expectations will be achieved, the organisation will undertake a programme listed in schedule 1 of this agreement during the year ending 31st March 2025. The organisation may amend the programme during the course of the year should circumstances warrant it subject to agreement by the Council.
- 1.4 Schedule 1 sets out the planned artistic programme submitted to the Council for agreement by the organisation and includes (but is not limited to): -
 - drama productions
 - drama productions aimed at children & young people
 - youth theatre provision
 - music
 - dance
 - Christmas production
 - Cinema
- 1.5 Number of days open to the public: 363

MANAGEMENT OF THE AGREEMENT/OPERATIONAL ACTIVITY

- 1.6 On a quarterly basis, senior management meetings will take place between the council and the organisation. In attendance from North Lanarkshire Council will be Active & Creative Communities Manager and Creative Resources & Assets Manager. The organisation will be represented by the Chief Executive and Depute Chief Executive. The Active & Creative Communities Manager will attend board meetings in the role of client officer on behalf of North Lanarkshire Council (see 3.21 below).
- 1.7 Day to day operation of the venue will be led, for the council, by the Events Co-ordinator, supported by Venue Attendants. The Events Co-ordinator will liaise with the organisation on all matters relevant to the organisation.

EQUALITY AND DIVERSITY

- 1.8 The organisation is expected to implement an Equality and Diversity policy in line with North Lanarkshire Council policies and all relevant legislation (e.g. The Equality Act 2010). The Organisation's Equality Policy must include (but not be limited to) recruitment procedures, employees, programming, communication, and the composition of the Board.
- 1.9 The organisation must take the necessary steps to implement the requirements of the Equality Act 2010 by through fully inclusive practice in service provision.
- 1.10 A copy of the organisation's Equality and Diversity Policy must be made available to the Council on request.
- 1.11 The organisation must report on use of the Theatre by people and groups with protected characteristics.

CONDUCT

- 1.12 North Lanarkshire Council is committed to upholding the highest standards of best practice at every level. As an organisation supported by the council, it is critical that the actions of the organisation, its employees or Board Members supports this approach and does not bring the council into any form of disrepute.
- 1.1.3 Should any matter of concern arise, this should be addressed by adherence to the approach outlined in Section F.

OTHER UNDERTAKINGS

- 1.1.4 The organisation undertakes to:
- maintain a high standard of managerial practice throughout the organisation;
 - promote community involvement in board membership;
 - develop business and marketing strategies which promote access and attract new audiences;
 - participate in joint programming and curriculum initiatives with the Council (Active and Creative Communities);

- participate in joint marketing & communication initiatives with the Council, as appropriate;
- report on all market research carried out;
- record and report on complaints/comments dealt with;
- report on the amount of media coverage received; and

SECTION B - TARGET OUTCOMES

The organisation undertakes to use all reasonable endeavours to secure the following outcomes: -

- 2.1 To promote a programme of quality, accessible arts activities
- 2.2 To gain agreed attendance levels per annum at performances/events taking place within Cumbernauld Theatre excluding the education/outreach programme. The last quarterly monitoring meeting before the new 'funded' year will be an opportunity for both parties to agree KPI with regards to expected performance levels.
- 2.3 To gain at least 40% of its income from non-public sources. This comprises both earned income from box office, external funding (grants and sponsorship), or the net profits of ancillary trading operations, and contributed income in the form of sponsorship and donations.
- 2.4 To provide details annually of;
 - the per capita cost per attendance for the programme outlined in Schedule 2;
 - the number of projects targeted at people with protected characteristics and the uptake;
 - the amount of time the theatre has been 'dark' and the reasons for this;
 - the number of successful and unsuccessful funding applications made; and
 - details of external funding / earned income as a % of overall budget.
- 2.5 To trade solvently.
- 2.6 To advise the Council at the earliest opportunity if it becomes evident that the agreed targets stated above are unlikely to be realised.

SECTION C - CONDITIONS OF FUNDING AGREEMENT

DURATION OF FUNDING AGREEMENT

- 3.1 This funding agreement shall be for 1 year beginning 1 April 2024. No specific budgetary commitment can be given in advance of the annual approval by North Lanarkshire Council of the revenue budget for Active and Creative Communities. Funding awards may be reduced or withdrawn dependent on the revenue budget allocation.

PAYMENT OF GRANT

3.2 Funding Agreement

North Lanarkshire Council confirms the provision of the payment of budgeted grant funding of £100,300 to Cumbernauld Theatre for 2024/25 to support the business, subject to receipt of confirmation from Cumbernauld Theatre that the Service Level Agreement has been signed and approval from the relevant committee of North Lanarkshire Council.

North Lanarkshire Council confirms that rental of the venue has been valued at £50,000 per annum. In line with earlier agreement and to support the Trust, the council has offered additional, tapered support from date of entry by the organisation in 2021, with the final year of support as shown below:

2024/25	Additional grant of £7,300	33% of difference between £50k and £28k
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3.3 Grant payments will be made only to the organisation to which the original offer is addressed. The organisation must advise the Council in writing about any change of name or change in constitutional status before it happens. Transfer of grant to another organisation is not permitted.

3.4 The grant will be issued in four equal instalments: -

- instalment 1 - April 2024 (or as close to date at which Committee approval is given)
- instalment 2 - following receipt of first quarter financial statement and signing of funding agreement for 2024/25
- instalment 3 - following receipt of second quarter financial statement
- instalment 4 - following receipt of third quarter financial statement

3.5 All to be paid in line with schedule detailed in section 3.4. The organisation may request in writing for instalment payments to be varied to meet cash flow requirements but this is subject to agreement by the Council.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3.6 The organisation must provide quarterly financial statements of actual versus projected expenditure to the North Lanarkshire Council, Active and Creative Communities nominated officer. These must be submitted not later than four weeks after the end of each quarter for the following accounting periods: -

1 April – 30 June
1 July - 30 September
1 October- 31 December
1 January - 31 March

3.7 The organisation must send to the Council's nominated officer: -

- annual audited accounts within six months of the year end with a copy of the auditor's "Management Letter".

- any other financial or statistical data as may be required by the Council. Quarterly performance figures to be provided to the council for inclusion in NLC performance reporting.
 - the annual cash flow forecast and any revisions of these during the year.
- 3.8 The organisation must comply with any request from the Council and its nominees to inspect the organisation's books of accounts and administrative records.

RESERVES

- 3.9 Accumulation of provisions and reserves is encouraged so long as these aim to support activities that come within the scope of the Council's funding agreement. The Council's consent must be obtained in relation to transfers for any other purpose.

SURPLUS

- 3.10 The organisation must consult the Council about proposals to distribute any surplus available on winding up. All remaining North Lanarkshire Council funds should be returned before distribution of funds is undertaken.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF FUNDING

- 3.11 The organisation must acknowledge the funding from the Council on all promotional material. This must be in the form specified by the Council. This acknowledgement and any other reference to the Council must not be used to imply that the Council is responsible for the organisation's activities, debts or obligations. Copies of all of the organisation's publicity material must be shared with the Active and Creative Communities nominated officer on a regular basis.

BREACH OF THE FUNDING AGREEMENT BY THE ORGANISATION

- 3.12 Funding is awarded for the programme of work set out in Schedule 1 of this offer – this will include an agreed position on the organisation's capacity to provide technical support for community events. Any change in programme must be agreed in advance by the Council. If the organisation deviates from the agreed programme without the prior agreement of the Council the funding may be withdrawn or reduced at the Council's sole discretion.
- 3.13 The Council shall have the right to undertake a formal review of the organisation's affairs and demand immediate re-payment by the organisation of the whole of the funding or any part thereof if the organisation: -
- fails to attend quarterly monitoring meetings
 - fails to adhere to the procedures relating to the acknowledgement of funding outlined in 3.11 of this agreement.
 - fails to implement relevant legislation
 - ceases to operate
 - significantly alters the agreed programme of work

- does not maintain a high standard of quality of work
- following full consideration, as outlined in Section F is found to have behaved in a manner which is considered to bring the council into disrepute
- does not comply with the conditions outlined in this funding agreement

ACTIVITIES

3.14 The funding from the Council must not be applied to:

- any activities which fall out with those listed in Schedule 1 of the funding agreement.
- the costs of performances outside Scotland.

3.15 Any additional funding, grant, award, or sponsorship from any source including the Council will not prejudice this agreement and will be expected to create additional activity or support additional resource.

COMPLEMENTARY TICKETS

3.16 The issue of complimentary tickets should not normally exceed 5% of audience seating capacity over a season or series of events.

EXPLOITATION OF PRODUCT

3.17 The Council encourages the organisation to exploit its productions, products or activities in whatever way or medium including film, broadcasting, and digital. The organisation should negotiate to be entitled to a share of the profits reflecting as far as possible the relative levels of investment made by the parties on a full cost basis.

3.18 The organisation must ensure that the benefits from the exploitation of its products are not exceeded by those negotiated by any employee or employees involved. It should also ensure that it negotiates such arrangements jointly with employees who may stand to benefit.

3.19 The requirement to acknowledge funding from the Council (See Clause 3.11) will include all publicity and programme material related to broadcasts, film, audio tapes, CD, web, digital and social media etc.

3.20 Unless otherwise stated, the Council does not seek ownership of intellectual property rights in material produced through the application of Council funding.

MEETINGS

3.21 The organisation must hold at least four meetings of its managing (or executive) body during the financial year.

3.22 The Council's nominated officer (or his/her representative) is entitled to attend these meetings as well as meetings of any sub-committee. One copy of all notices, agendas, papers, and minutes should be submitted to the Council's nominated officer in advance of these meetings.

SECTION D - MONITORING AND REVIEW

Ongoing Monitoring & Review

- 3.31 Six monthly performance reports require to be submitted to North Lanarkshire Council (marked for the attention of the officers acting on behalf of the council), which highlight the key activities and outputs achieved by Cumbernauld Theatre as set out in Schedule 1. These performance update reports may take the form regular Steering Group performance reports.
- 3.32 Any anticipated or unexpected deviations from achievement of planned outcomes must be reported to the council timeously.
- 3.33 The Council and the organisation will each appoint one officer to be the point of contact in each organisation to speak on their behalf.

Management of the organisation.

- 3.34 North Lanarkshire Council will use all reasonable endeavours to provide advice to the organisation's senior staff when requested, as far as resources permit.
- 3.35 The organisation will be consulted on arts and cultural matters by the Council as appropriate.

SECTION E – NEW CONDITIONS OF FUNDING AGREEMENT

- 4.1 The Council reserves the right to introduce new funding conditions as required.

SECTION F - PROCEDURES FOR SETTling DISPUTES

- 5.1 Any dispute arising in connection with the fulfilment of this funding agreement which cannot be resolved via discussion between the Council's and the Organisation's nominated officers will be settled by either party providing written details of the breach of the agreement, the action required of the other party to remedy the breach and the timescale required to remedy the breach.
- 5.2 If the breach is not capable of remedy, or it is not remedied within a reasonable period of time following the original complaint, discussion with the Council and referral to the Chief Executive of the Council to nominate a suitable arbiter will be the course of action.

SECTION G - TERMINATION OF AGREEMENT

- 6.1 If the reason for terminating the agreement relates to a dispute that has arisen between the organisation and the Council the dispute procedures outlined in Section F must have been implemented prior to notice of termination being given.

6.2 The agreement may be terminated or suspended immediately by either the Council or the organisation in the event of any of the following: -

- the closure bankruptcy or liquidation of the organisation.
- gross mismanagement or gross misconduct.
- criminal or corrupt practices.
- the organisation ceasing to provide the services specified in this agreement without Council approval.

SECTION H – ACCEPTANCE


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Agreement undertaken on behalf of North Lanarkshire Council and Cumbernauld Theatre Trust.

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Signature:	
Date:	23/02/2024

Cumbernauld Theatre Trust	
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Designation:	Chief Executive
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Schedule 1

Programme

During 2024/25 Cumbernauld Theatre Trust Ltd will develop and deliver a broad ranging programme of creative projects including performances, participatory workshops, talks, residencies, and bespoke specialist activity particularly focussed upon engaging young people in artistic programmes.

This broad ranging programme will be delivered primarily from the company's base, Lanternhouse, Cumbernauld. Elements of the activity may be delivered in conjunction with other statutory and voluntary sector organisations and therefore may take place out with the Theatre building in locations such as schools, community centres or other public and/or performance spaces.

The primary aim of this wide-ranging programme is to ensure that the communities of Cumbernauld and wider North Lanarkshire have access to the best of professional creative arts services as both audiences and participants.

Statistical Summary:

Number of Performance Events: Total Target Numbers of Events

Comprised of the following:

Professional Drama Performances	(including CT productions) (up to 220 performances)
Professional Music Performances	(up to 40 performances)
Professional Dance Performance	(up to 4 performances)
Professional Classical Music	(up to 10 performances)
Professional Performance: Other	(comedy, talk, film, etc) (up to 15 performances)
Community Drama Performances	(up to 10 performances)
Community Music Performances	(up to 5 Performances)
Other Community Performances	(up to 5 performances)

Total Performance Events: Up to 309 performances per year

Participatory Activity: Learning & Outreach Sessions

Workshops for Young People (up to 90 workshops/classes)
Support for Adult Learners (up to 42 sessions)

Total Workshop/Classes: Up to 132 classes per year

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Brighter Futures – Volunteer NL Update and Progress April 2024

From Lyall Rennie, Chief Officer (Community Operations)

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Executive Summary

This report provides an update on the Volunteer NL project, established in May 2023 with the support of the UK Shared Prosperity Fund and outlines future planned actions as a key theme under the Brighter Futures programme of work.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee

1. Acknowledge the work of the Volunteer NL Programme under the remit of Brighter Futures and the work undertaken to date to support the development of volunteering pathways in North Lanarkshire.
2. Otherwise, note the contents of the report.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority	Enhance participation, capacity, and empowerment across our communities
Ambition statement	(19) Improve engagement with communities and develop their capacity to help themselves
Programme of Work	Brighter Futures

1. Background

- 1.1 1.1 The Volunteer NL programme was established in May 2023 with support from the UK Shared Prosperity Fund (UKSPF) and aims to provide support to help expand volunteering opportunities across North Lanarkshire. Led by Active & Creative Communities, the project seeks to engage volunteers to operate across a range of roles within North Lanarkshire Council, and offer wider support to volunteers operating in community groups and sporting clubs across North Lanarkshire.
- 1.2 Under the remit of Brighter Futures, the programme supports the council's wider ambitions around improving educational attainment, employment opportunities, entrepreneurship and volunteering.

2. Report

- 2.1 Volunteer NL was originally established with the aim of supporting the following broad objectives:
- Strengthening our social fabric and fostering a sense of local pride and belonging, through investment in activities that enhance physical, cultural and social ties and access to amenities, such as community infrastructure and local green space, and community-led projects.
 - Building resilient, healthy and safe neighbourhoods, through investment in quality places that people want to live, work, play and learn in, through targeted improvements to the built and natural environment innovative approaches to crime prevention.
- 2.2 Volunteering helps to break down social barriers and offer people an opportunity to socialise with people from different social and cultural backgrounds. For some, volunteering is a steppingstone in career development, for others simply an opportunity to give something back to their community. The council already engages a range of volunteers to support and enhance service delivery. Our work with local groups and clubs highlights the need to support the critical work of volunteers as the lifeblood of local groups. This project will support the role of volunteers in the council and with local groups and clubs, building a clear pathway for young people developing key skills and supporting the work of groups operating in our communities.
- 2.3 Under the direction of Brighter Futures, initial key deliverables with the project have achieved the following:

	Action Taken
Establish volunteer baseline, covering current activity, training received, and availability for broader opportunities.	We have worked with Services across the council to ensure a clear picture of existing volunteers and the opportunities available to them.
Map community partnerships who offer volunteering opportunities and the current offer (baseline).	We work closely with VANL as the council's Third Sector Interface (TSI) to work on overall support to the voluntary sector and in supporting and coordinating activity that enhances the involvement and capacity of the community and voluntary sector in the Plan for North Lanarkshire (TPFNL).

	Information on the project and Challenge Fund opportunities were recently shared with all Community Boards.
Implement and maintain a system capable of capturing volunteers, skills, training and opportunities available. This will include a front-end website (one stop shop) for volunteering in North Lanarkshire.	We have recently launched a new volunteer management system (Rosterfy). The system will hold a range of information on volunteer opportunities, training available and provide a means to support development and recognise contribution. For example, after 90 days/50 hours of volunteering, volunteers will be supported to gain qualifications which will help with career development eg. sports coaching badges.

- 2.4 A key achievement in the first year of the programme was the launch of the Volunteer NL Challenge Fund. The Challenge Fund is a key aspect of UKSPF funding. Approved by Communities Committee on 21 August 2023, North Lanarkshire's UKSPF investment plan includes the opportunity for a number of interventions to be delivered by community groups through a challenge fund process. The Volunteer NL Challenge Fund has a total budget of £90,000 and will operate over 2023/34 and 24/25. With an overall aim of supporting the development of volunteer pathways, applicants were asked to outline the expected impact on the community, with a particular reference on how the proposed project will strengthen social fabric and lead to demonstrable community benefits. Although not specifically used as an assessment criteria, the strongest applications were able to reinforce the council's commitment to the Plan for North Lanarkshire. The Challenge Fund opened in October 2023 and closed in early January 2024. Presentations were provided to all Community Boards to encourage as broad a range of applicants as possible, with grants of between £500-£3000 expected.
- 2.5 A total of 26 applications were received, with funding granted to 23 – detailed in Appendix One. A scoring panel of council officers, including Community Partnership and UKSPF Project team was convened, with support from VANL, to consider applications. The three applicants not supported were signposted to other funding options available to them.
- 2.6 Under Brighter Futures, key priorities for the second year of Volunteer NL will be:

Accreditation	Working with Education, Children & Families and VANL, a key focus will be recognising the efforts of young volunteers through the Saltire Award. The Saltire Award celebrates, recognises and rewards the commitment, contribution and achievements of young volunteers aged 12-25 in Scotland. These awards are delivered locally by TSI's. All Volunteer NL opportunities (now also advertised by Volunteer Scotland) will show the number of hours that each opportunity will count towards the Saltire Award.
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Employer Supported Volunteering (ESV)	ESV are programmes where an organisation's employees take paid time off during work hours to volunteer. ESV provides employees with the opportunity to support community organisations and charities by contributing their time and skills. Since the launch of Volunteer NL and the associated publicity, a number of local organisations have approached to express an interest in giving back to the local community. Supporting local projects of this nature will continue to be a priority in the coming year.
Qualifications/Training	We are currently working with with Active Schools and New College Lanarkshire to explore opportunities which will focus on the upskilling of students for coaching roles. Through ongoing work with partners, we will explore options for volunteers to learn/upskill as they participate.

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 A sustainable and responsive approach to supporting volunteering and voluntary organisations in North Lanarkshire, which supports the strengthening of our social fabric, fosters a sense of local pride and belonging, and access to support for community-led projects.

4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 Appendix 1 – Challenge Fund Application 2023/24



Lyall Rennie
Chief Officer (Community Operations)

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Appendix One – Challenge Fund Application 2023/24

Organisation	Amount Awarded
Airdrie Citizens Advice Bureau	£3000
Airdrie Community School Uniform Bank	£3000
Coatbridge Citizens Advice Bureau	£1500
Cornerstone House Centre	£3000
Disability Access Panel	£1000
Homestart	£3000
Jackson Youth Club	£1950
Kanokwai Judo	£2800
Lanarkshire Deaf Club	£1500
Lanarkshire Rape Crisis	£1917
Law & District AAC	£1305
MADEFORU in ML2	£3000
More than Fibro	£1085
Motherwell FC	£2140
Newmains Community Trust	£2800
Parkinsons Self Help Group	£525
Pet Pantry	£1000
Shotts Bon Accord	£3000
Spotlight Shotts	£1800
The Holding Space	£1000
Who Cares Scotland	£1700
Wishaw YMCA	£2452
You Are My Sunshine	£1225

Applications Not Supported – Redirected to Other Opportunities as Appropriate

- 1st Shotts Girls Brigade
- Crossfit Airdrie
- The Gooddeed

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North Lanarkshire Arts Strategy 2023-28

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Executive Summary

The Arts Development team sits within the Active and Creative Communities, providing support to groups and communities across North Lanarkshire. The team has operated for over 30 years (in various shapes), delivering a range of community arts classes for both adults and young people across varied a demographic of people, working on local and regional projects, within schools and the wider community in partnership with local and national organisations.

Since the return of services to North Lanarkshire Council from Culture NL in 2021, the team has worked with our partners to use the impact of creative activity to support the Plan for North Lanarkshire and its ambitions around participation, health and wellbeing. This report sets out the strategic direction for the team going forward through a proposed Arts Strategy for 2023-28.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee:

- (1) Acknowledge the work undertaken in support of the Art is Everywhere project.
- (2) Approve the North Lanarkshire Arts Strategy 2023-28.
- (3) Otherwise note the contents of the report.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority	Improve the health and wellbeing of our communities
Ambition statement	(15) Encourage the health and wellbeing of people through a range of social, cultural, and leisure activities
Programme of Work	Statutory / corporate / service requirement

1. Background

- 1.1 The Arts Development Team, within Active & Creative Communities, deliver a range of creative activity for children, young people and adults across a varied demographic of people, working on local and regional projects, within schools and the wider community in partnership with local and national organisations. The team consists of Visual Artists, a Photographer, Theatre and Community Arts Practitioners and a Music Specialist who all believe in the transformative power of the arts.
- 1.2 With funding from the University of Edinburgh during 2022, the team delivered a focused and targeted Arts programme which sought to better understand how access to creative activity could impact on those most vulnerable or experiencing a range of social challenges. A key outcome of this funding was a commitment to the development of community wide Arts Strategy.

2. Report

- 2.1 In 2022, Active & Creative Communities was granted funding from the University of Edinburgh, primarily through the Arts and Humanities Research Council, to support the flagship *Art is Everywhere* project. This project focused on nurturing and increasing the visibility of artistic endeavour in North Lanarkshire with the aim of tackling inequalities. A key outcome of this project is the new North Lanarkshire Arts Strategy. Using a range of arts-informed approaches (dance, theatre, photography, film, fine art, murals from upcycled materials, digital art, podcasts and more), we engaged with a range of communities in North Lanarkshire from early years to school children; college students to healthy aging demographics; multiple ethnicities; people in care and others to address inequalities through the arts.
- 2.2 Regular participation in creative activity has helped our residents to develop knowledge, skills, and confidence as they work towards goals of personal development, upskilling or employment. The role of the Arts Team focuses on creativity as essential for our health and wellbeing and much work has been done in the last three years to use the arts to tackle inequalities. Fundamental to the approach is the belief that access to creativity is for everyone, not just those who can easily access and afford it. The Arts Development team has a pivotal role in leading the way to ensure arts and culture tackle these issues and contributes to meaningful change in North Lanarkshire.
- 2.3 *Art is Everywhere* was built around a social prescribing model to support the health and wellbeing of North Lanarkshire communities through creativity and identifying assets (building, cultural, human resources, community knowledge and aspirations) that could contribute to sustainable regeneration plans co-designed with North Lanarkshire residents. This included the implementation of a dignity and access fund for lower income households or those who face barriers in accessing the arts in the local authority.
- 2.4 Building on the lessons learned in working with communities during the project, the Arts Strategy will focus on the following key priority areas:
 - Delivery – deliver comprehensive creative activity that supports a diverse programme available to communities across North Lanarkshire.
 - Integrate – ensure North Lanarkshire Arts play a critical role as a key multi-sectoral asset in supporting the council's ambitions to tackle inequalities.

- Relationships – using the value of creativity to bring people together, strengthening links with council support and nurturing collaboration with residents, community organisations, local businesses and funders.
- Growth – implement a financially sustainable growth model whereby the revenue brought in through our creative activity is managed by the Arts Development team with re-investment into the staffing and materials required to support year on year growth of North Lanarkshire’s creative sector into 2028 and beyond.
- Measuring & Evidencing - measure and evidence the impact of creative activities, working closely with council services, collaborating with our communities and engaging the support of academic partners.
- Promotion & Communication – using real life case studies to promote the value of creative activity and its impact on addressing vulnerability and tackling social inequalities within the community.
- Sustainability – commitment to weaving environmental sustainability through every aspect of our work to support the council’s aim of being Net Zero by 2030.

Next Steps

- 2.5 Since the launch of Art is Everywhere in 2022, the Arts Development team have been working closely with communities across North Lanarkshire and internally in support of a range of services including Restorative Justice, Community Learning & Development and Education, Children & Families. This work will continue and expand into other areas.
- 2.6 From the success of our earlier funded programme, North Lanarkshire Council has recently been funded as one of five local authorities in Scotland to support delivery of the REALITIES project. This project will seek to understand the how creative activities support health and wellbeing, benefit communities with experience of trauma, homelessness, poverty, unemployment, displacement, poor mental health or imprisonment.

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 A clear and robust Arts Strategy that recognises the contribution of access to creative activity and the key role this plays in supporting overall health and wellbeing.

4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 [Link](#) to North Lanarkshire Arts Strategy 2023-28



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CommUnity Agreement update

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Executive Summary

In 2020, it was agreed by the Chief Executives of North and South Lanarkshire Councils and NHS Lanarkshire that it would be useful to develop a Concordat with communities, primarily facilitated through the Community and Voluntary Sector to agree shared values and approaches to working together to improve lives. Following further discussion, it was agreed that this approach would be more effective if organised at an individual local authority level reflecting the locally established partnership and community structures, for example, in North Lanarkshire the Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs) and their governance arrangements.

Following engagement with community planning partners the previous Community Empowerment Committee at their meeting in January 2022 approved a one-off allocation of £60k to fund this work. VANL has been leading in the engagement and development work to progress this on behalf of the North Lanarkshire Partnership Strategic Leadership Board.

Throughout the engagement and development of this work, it was agreed that this work would be retitled 'CommUnity Agreement'.

This report provides an update on the engagement process, presents the final CommUnity Agreement wording and associated implementation approach for endorsement and adoption by the council as a key community planning partner.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee

- Acknowledges the partnership approach to co-production of the CommUnity Agreement with the Community and Voluntary Sector and the final CommUnity Agreement wording
- Endorses the council's role in the implementation approach outlined within this report as approved by the NLP Strategic Leadership Board

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority	All priorities
Ambition statement	(20) Improve the involvement of communities in the decisions, and development of services and supports, that affect them
Programme of Work	Resilient People

1. Background

- 1.1 The council's previous Community Empowerment Committee approved funding in January 2022 to support the collaborative development, agreement and implementation of a Community Concordat. The purpose of this was to create a commitment between North Lanarkshire stakeholders, which sets out shared values and approaches to empowering and investing in local communities to support improved wellbeing, equality and sustainability, and to provide a basis for supporting approaches across the community planning partnership and with community boards to ensuring joint delivery of the priorities set out in the nine Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs).

Based on feedback from the engagement and development phase of the process, the term Concordat was replaced with 'CommUnity Agreement' as the working title.

It was agreed that the CommUnity Agreement would be developed consultatively with key local stakeholders including:

- local residents;
- the community and voluntary sector (CVS);
- public bodies serving North Lanarkshire (including North Lanarkshire Council, NHS Lanarkshire; Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service); and,
- businesses serving North Lanarkshire.

- 1.2 The partnership approach has involved extensive community and partner engagement supported by an Appreciative Inquiry approach. This work has been delivered in partnership with the council and other community planning partners and has been coordinated by VANL who were initially provided with a grant of £60K to cover earlier development costs.

2. Report

Purpose and aims of the CommUnity Agreement

- 2.1 The work to jointly develop and agree a CommUnity Agreement between North Lanarkshire Partnership (NLP) stakeholders aims to establish shared values and approaches to empowering and investing in local communities. This supports more effective collaboration to improve local wellbeing, equality and sustainability and ensure effective delivery of the Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs). For the purposes of this collaborative development and engagement work, North Lanarkshire Partnership stakeholders are defined as being: North Lanarkshire residents; elected members, Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) serving North Lanarkshire, New College Lanarkshire; business sector serving North Lanarkshire; and North Lanarkshire Partnership organisations.

- 2.2 The process for developing the CommUnity Agreement aimed to enhance trust and joint working between stakeholders to improve the wellbeing of communities and people and
- improve confidence in working collaboratively and trust between North Lanarkshire Partnership stakeholders;
 - improve collaboration between North Lanarkshire Partnership stakeholders in delivering:
 - The Plan for North Lanarkshire with a focus on associated plans covering key issues such as the climate emergency; digital inclusion; mental health and wellbeing; and tackling poverty;
 - the nine North Lanarkshire Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs); and
 - a clear and shared commitment by North Lanarkshire Partnership partner organisations to further invest in community wealth-building and community-based and led initiatives to improve people's well-being, strengthen equality, inclusion, sustainability, and deeper levels of collaboration.

Participation and coproduction

- 2.3 Work to develop the CommUnity Agreement commenced in April 2022, with the following activities completed and fed into the development of the final draft Agreement.
- [Appreciating People](#) were commissioned by VANL to provide Appreciative Inquiry training to VANL and other staff from NLP partner organisations and other guidance and to embed this as the guiding approach throughout development of the CommUnity Agreement .
 - an online, baseline stakeholder survey was developed, issued and analysed to capture initial views from key stakeholders on Community Planning and value. Participants included, residents, members of Community Boards and SLB; and members of the Community and Voluntary Sector Partnership Group. 167 responses were received
 - Planning and delivery of the following engagement events with stakeholders involving just over 500 people.
 - Six online focus groups for different equality group, organised and facilitated by VANL staff during autumn 2022
 - discussion at four CVS locality network events organised and facilitated by VANL staff during autumn 2022
 - twelve locality focus groups involving a mix of stakeholders during between summer 2022 and April 2023, organised and facilitated by VANL, council and NHS staff
 - twenty "community conversations" with residents in their community venues, facilitated by VANL, council and NHS staff during February-April 2023
 - five focus groups with staff in three partner organisations - North Lanarkshire Council; NHS Lanarkshire; VANL – organised and facilitated by staff in those organisations.
- 2.4 In June 2023 a CommUnity Agreement Design Day was organised by Appreciating People and VANL, which brought together 52 representatives from local communities, CVS and public sector to develop the content of the agreement informed by the feedback from the above engagement activities.
- 2.5 Information related to engagement activity and the Design Day report can be accessed [here](#). Following the Design Day in June draft text for the CommUnity Agreement was prepared, setting out shared values and key principles to strengthen how we work

together for a better North Lanarkshire. This was approved by the North Lanarkshire Strategic Leadership Board at their September 2023 meeting and thereafter shared as follows

- Community Board members at their August/September 2023 cycle of meetings followed by an online workshop for all Boards in Oct 2023
- Representatives from Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) organisations through 4 CVS Locality Network meetings in Sept/Oct 2023
- Members of the CVS Partnership Group (CVSPG) at their November 2023 meeting.

- 2.6 As the above consultations did not require any significant changes to the text, the final text for the CommUnity Agreement was formally approved by the Strategic Leadership Board Chair and Vice Chair on behalf of the Board, as agreed at their September 2023 meeting. The final CommUnity Agreement is attached as appendix 1.

Implementation

- 2.7 SLB members participated in a workshop in Jan. 2024 to discuss CommUnity Agreement implementation issues, with a focus on their own organisations.

Following this workshop, draft text for a CommUnity Agreement Implementation Statement was prepared. The text was informed by:

- the NLP Strategic Leadership Board workshop
- feedback on implementation issues from the original engagement to develop the agreement during 2022-23 and further consultation as set out above during autumn-winter 2023.

- 2.8 The CommUnity Agreement launch event date is Monday 29th April 11.30-13.00 with the SLB Chair chairing the event. The event programme has been drafted by key officers and promotion of the launch event commenced on 18th March 2024. VANL is managing the event on behalf of NLP, included registrations through Eventbrite.
- 2.9 Following the launch, staff in partner organisations and members of SLB and Community Boards will then collectively support implementation of the Agreement in accordance with the Implementation Statement, with at least annual review and further developments will be reported to the Communities Committee.
- 2.10 VANL will also undertake a short survey in spring-summer 2023 with key stakeholders to assess and report on views regarding the process of developing the Agreement and Implementation Statement and share findings with key stakeholders.

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 Partnership agencies signing up to the implementation statement
- 3.2 Implementation actions delivered
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4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 Appendix 1 – Final CommUnity Agreement
- 4.2 Appendix 2 – Draft Implementation Statement



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CommUnity Agreement:

Introduction

Our **North Lanarkshire CommUnity Agreement** sets out our shared, core values and guiding principles to strengthen how residents, the Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS), public sector and business sector work together for a better North Lanarkshire. This includes better joint working to deliver our Plan for North Lanarkshire, nine Local Outcome Improvement Plans and linked strategies on key issues.

This Agreement and Implementation Plan reflects the views of just over 500 people in North Lanarkshire who participated in discussions during 2022-23 in various ways including online discussions; community-based focus groups and conversations and a highly participatory “design day”. Participants in these discussions were diverse and included:

- residents
- members of Community Boards and Strategic Leadership Board
- staff and volunteers from Community and Voluntary organisations
- staff from public sector bodies, including North Lanarkshire Council, NHS Lanarkshire, Police Scotland and Scottish Fire and Rescue Service.

This CommUnity Agreement and complementary Implementation Guidance are available in different, accessible formats including audio and easy read and will be provided in different languages as required.

The Agreement and Implementation Guidance were launched in March 2024.

Progress in implementing the Agreement is reviewed every six months to support learning and continuing improvement in how we all work together for a better North Lanarkshire, with annual, published updates.

Our Shared Values and Guiding Principles

Values	Guiding Principles
Wellbeing, Fairness, and Sustainability	<p>We all work together to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • improve people’s lives in North Lanarkshire – including people’s mental, physical, social, economic and environmental wellbeing • reduce inequalities and protect human rights • protect our natural environment and support sustainable solutions to our social and economic challenges which do not harm the natural world on which our wellbeing depends • increase “community wealth” to achieve these goals.
Appreciation, Trust and Accountability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We work together for a better North Lanarkshire with honesty, openness and genuine appreciation of residents, communities, partners and stakeholders. • We develop, agree and deliver our policies and plans in an empowering and participatory way informed by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the needs and views of residents and communities - supported by good public engagement practice in line with the National Standards for Community Engagement - the views of public, community and voluntary and business sectors - evidence of what works - available resources • We evaluate the impact of our policies and plans on an ongoing basis. • We learn from evaluation and other feedback to support ongoing improvements to achieve our ambitions. • We report publicly in an accessible way on our: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - plans and achievements - challenges and opportunities - learning and improvement plans

Aspirational, Creative and Collaborative	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are committed to working well together to achieve the best outcomes possible for our people and communities. • We are open to exploring and implementing creative, new and/or improved approaches to achieving our ambitions collaboratively between the public, community and voluntary and business sectors, including co-design, sharing and pooling resources and joint delivery – applying effective “co-production” approaches.
Respect, Care and Inclusion	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We are welcoming and supportive of others. • We treat everyone with care and consideration. • Our communications are accurate, clear, timely and accessible. • We support residents and partners to share their views and have meaningful opportunities to contribute to decisions about their lives and communities. • We listen to people and value their contributions. • We appreciate and consider different views and perspectives. • We invite and welcome positive and critical feedback.

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Implementation Statement

The Plan for North Lanarkshire sets a clear direction to make North Lanarkshire the place to Live, Learn, Work, Invest and Visit. The Plan's ambitions for inclusive growth and prosperity for all, where children and young people realise their full potential, people are encouraged, supported and cared for at each stage of their lives and local communities thrive are shared by North Lanarkshire's community planning partners. Collectively, we will work with our citizens, communities, businesses and the community and voluntary sector to ensure North Lanarkshire is a place we can all be proud of.

As members of the North Lanarkshire Partnership Strategic Leadership Board, we commit to working effectively together to provide ambitious and accountable leadership to achieve a better North Lanarkshire for all as envisaged through The Plan for North Lanarkshire and the individual Local Outcome Improvement Plans published by our nine Community Boards. We will do this by practicing the values and principles of the CommUnity Agreement and championing wider support and implementation in all our communities and in all organisations in the public, community and voluntary and business sectors in the following ways.

1. Effective public communications and engagement

We will facilitate citizen participation, influence and contribution on the services and issues that matter to them. This will help us understand and appreciate differing public needs, priorities and views to inform all the work we do with our local communities and people who use our services..

To achieve this, we will support a mix of creative and established approaches and methods to enable wide public engagement - including by groups who do not usually engage. This will include the following.

- Using creative approaches to support positive, empowering public engagement such as 'appreciative inquiry', place based approaches and 'participatory budgeting'.
- Exploring and being open to new approaches, particularly where these will help us to reach people who do not normally participate.
- Allowing sufficient time to enable meaningful and effective public participation.
- Providing information in accessible formats, including different languages as needed.

- Supporting opportunities for citizen participation through informal events such as community conversations, listening events and focus groups.
- Supporting more formal public engagement through community bodies, structured groups and networks. For example:
 - groups for unpaid carers, service users, tenants and residents, young people
 - community and voluntary sector networks and forums
 - our Community Boards and our six Community Solutions Locality Consortiums
- Strengthening and empowering community and voluntary organisations' capacity to engage in community-led service design and delivery.
- Encouraging and supporting community bodies, groups and networks to assess and review all they do to strengthen their effectiveness and contribution.
- Using effective online platforms to improve provision of digital information, increasing opportunities for digital participation and supporting digital inclusion by residents and service users.

2. Appropriate attitudes, behaviours and working relationships

We will champion collaboration and create the culture, within our own individual organisations, our North Lanarkshire Strategic Leadership Board and linked Community Boards that values and supports effective community engagement and places citizens and communities at the heart of service delivery.

We will empower and enable our staff to engage and work collaboratively with service users and residents in designing and delivering services that are responsive to their needs and priorities.

We will ensure that staff in our own organisations, members of our Community Boards and members of other North Lanarkshire-wide and local partnership forums, receive necessary training, guidance and support so they are able to apply the values and principles of the CommUnity Agreement through their work.

This will include a commitment to ongoing learning, improvement and innovation within our organisations, across our partnerships, in our communities and with business organisations to support delivery of the CommUnity Agreement, The Plan for North Lanarkshire and Local Outcome Improvement Plans.

3. Partnership Arrangements

We will ensure that our partnership structures and collaborative working arrangements fulfil the values and principles of the CommUnity Agreement to support

effective delivery of our shared ambitions in The Plan for North Lanarkshire and Local Outcome Improvement Plans.

We will work collectively to embed our partnership culture across all partner organisations, sectors, Community Boards and Local Partnership Teams, fostering our shared vision and values.

We will remove organisational barriers, embrace reflective practice and support cultural change.

4. Accountability and Openness

We welcome scrutiny and challenge in terms of implementation of our CommUnity Agreement and delivery of our plans and commit to respond constructively and transparently to concerns - making improvements wherever possible.

We will communicate honestly about funding and other challenges and the impact this will or may have on the delivery of our plans and services.

We will ensure publication of annual, public reports to share progress in fulfilling the values and principles of the CommUnity Agreement and delivery of our Plan for North Lanarkshire and nine Local Outcome Improvement Plans.

Our Commitment

We, the undersigned, confirm our commitment - collectively and as individual agencies - to support the effective implementation of our CommUnity agreement as set out in this statement.

- Community and Voluntary Sector Partnership Group: Nichola Brown, Chair CVSPG
- Fire and Rescue Scotland Lanarkshire Division: Jim Quinn, Divisional Commander
- NHS Lanarkshire: Martin Hill, Chair and Jann Gardener, CEO
- North Lanarkshire Council: Cllr Alex McVey and Des Murray, CEO
- Scottish Enterprise: Stephen Frew, Engagement Manager
- Police Scotland Lanarkshire Division: Stevie Dolan, Divisional Commander

- University Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire: Ross McGuffie, Chief Officer
- Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire: Maddy Halliday, Chief Executive Officer

April 2024

North Lanarkshire Council Report

Communities Committee

Does this report require to be approved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Community Wealth Building Update

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Executive Summary

The report provides an update on progress with the council and partnership approach to Community Wealth Building and activity to engage key stakeholders. The report outlines progress made in efforts to ensure community and voluntary sector participation in the establishment of a Community Wealth Building Commitment Statement. This is in support of a number of key programme of work streams, thereby ensuring that the council embeds the Community Wealth Building model of economic development into its Programme of Work and associated plans and wider strategies.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee:

- (1) Acknowledge work to date to ensure that key stakeholders are involved in the development of the CWB approach.
- (2) Supports next steps in taking forward this approach.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority	All priorities
Ambition statement	(5) Grow and improve the sustainability and diversity of North Lanarkshire's economy
Programme of Work	Resilient People

1. Background

- 1.1 Community Wealth Building (CWB) is an internationally recognised approach to economic development designed to tackle long-standing economic challenges. It seeks to transform local and regional economies by considering the ways in which the public sector, in partnership with the private, third and community sectors, can ensure more wealth is generated, circulated and retained in communities and localities. The approach is focussed on growing the influence communities have on the economy and

ensuring communities receive more of the benefits from the wealth they help to generate.

1.2 The CWB approach is focussed on five pillars of activity which play a complementary role in the retention of wealth in local places and regions for the benefits of communities. The five pillars of CWB are as follows.

- **Spending** Maximising community and business benefits through procurement and commissioning, developing good enterprises, Fair Work and shorter supply chains. This includes a focus on ways to achieve greater economic, social and environmental benefits such as growing investment in local businesses, supplier development and innovation, and ensuring the delivery of tangible community benefits.
- **Workforce** Increasing Fair Work and developing local labour markets that support the prosperity and wellbeing of communities. Ensuring public sector anchor organisations and other employers embed Fair Work principles, promoting the payment of the real Living Wage; recruiting locally, from groups who face inequalities and are furthest from the labour market; and promoting work that is secure, provides flexible working and training opportunities and supports the workforce to have an effective voice.
- **Land and Property**; Growing social, ecological, financial and economic value that local communities gain from land and property assets. Productive use of anchor organisation land and property, for example through diversified ownership models including community ownership, and tackling vacant and derelict land and buildings.
- **Inclusive Ownership**; Developing more local and inclusive enterprises which generate community wealth, including social enterprises, employee-owned firms and co-operatives. Promoting greater diversity in the business base by encouraging formation and development of inclusive business models which support the local retention of wealth.
- **Finance**; Ensuring that flows of investment and financial institutions work for local people, communities and businesses. Increasing investment and re-circulating wealth within local economies including through access to affordable credit and business finance.

A more detailed overview of the pillars along with some examples of this applies in North Lanarkshire is at appendices 1 and 2:

1.3 CWB seeks to use the economic levers available to “anchor organisations” to support their local and regional economies. Anchor organisations are typically large employers with a strong local presence in an area. Examples of anchor organisations are local authorities, health and social care bodies, housing associations, further and higher education institutions, enterprise agencies and large private sector employers. It is recognised that anchor organisations can exert influence through the commissioning and purchasing of goods and services, through their workforce and employment capacity and by use of their facilities and land assets to affect social, economic and environmental change.

1.4 It is recognised that third sector organisations, community organisations, development trusts and micro-businesses can and often do play a pivotal role in driving forward CWB

and have a range of levers through their spend, employment, assets and local relationships.

- 1.5 The Scottish Government has adopted the internationally recognised Community Wealth Building (CWB) approach to economic development as a key practical means by which progress can be made towards realising our wellbeing economy vision outlined in the [National Strategy for Economic Transformation \(NSET\)](#).
- 1.6 The Programme for Government 2022-23 committed to the facilitation of a consultation on Community Wealth Building legislation to invite the views of a wide range stakeholders on the changes that are required to grow local wealth and give communities a greater stake in the economy. The consultation took place between 31st January and 25th April 2023. The consultation explored which new powers, abilities and duties will enable local authorities, public bodies, wider community planning partners and Regional Economic Partnerships to have more individual and collective influence in taking action to support CWB in their local area or region.
- 1.7 In May 2023 the Enterprise and Fair work Committee approved the councils role in the development of a partnership approach to CWB and this work has been driven through NLP Strategic Leadership Board mechanisms as the Community Planning Partnership for North Lanarkshire.

2. Report

Partnership Approach to Community Wealth Building in North Lanarkshire

- 2.1 Early engagement with Community Planning partners highlighted that a range of activities and approaches that already support the CWB approach are evident across individual agencies and shared partnership activity. Appendix 2 shows examples of some current activity and approaches linked to the CWB pillars. In addition to being threaded throughout specific thematic partnership priorities such as tackling poverty and Climate Change, CWB is already prominent in targeted work to strengthen the partnership and empower local communities through for example:
 - **The 9 Community Boards** as a vehicle for local people to come together in partnership with public sector, third sector organisations and elected members to drive delivery of the LOIP's and ensure local people have a voice.
 - **9 Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs)** articulating local priorities and ensuring partnership resources are targeted to working with communities around these priorities. Thematic approaches are emerging in each locality unlocking opportunities to look at maximising delivery through existing shared resource, attraction of additional external funding or income generating opportunities. More information can be accessed [here](#).
 - **CommUnity Agreement** using asset based and Appreciative Inquiry approaches to codesign an agreement, based on a core set of values and principles between the Third Sector, public sector agencies for working together to improve outcomes for local people. More information can be accessed [here](#).
 - **Fair Funding Charter:** Led by Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire (VANL) the [North Lanarkshire Fair Funding Charter](#) builds on CWB approaches to funding the third sector in a way that is sustainable and asset based.

- **North Lanarkshire Social Enterprise Framework and Action Plan:** aims to support the social enterprise sector to become more enterprising, more connected and more sustainable to provide support and opportunities to those in the greatest need and facilitate the wider social and environmental changes to improve our communities. More information can be accessed [here](#).
- **North Lanarkshire Volunteering Strategy:** was developed by the North Lanarkshire Volunteering Partnership during 2022 to strengthen volunteering across North Lanarkshire for the benefit of volunteers; residents and communities supported by volunteers; and volunteer-involving organisations. More information can be accessed [here](#).
- **Participatory Budgeting and local project delivery:** There are many local examples of how resources from across the partnership are used to lever in additional resources to deliver key projects and initiatives with and for local communities for example through use of resources from the Community Empowerment Challenge Fund , LDP and Community Solutions Funding to lever additional partner or external resources.

2.2 The agreed North Lanarkshire approach to Community Wealth Building is underpinned by a commitment to ensuring stakeholder engagement and codesign approaches are used to develop and adopt the shared Community Wealth Building Commitment Statement. The intention is that any relevant projects, Programmes of Work, Strategies and action plans must demonstrate how CWB principles and approaches are applied to ensure an integrated, corporate approach, avoid duplication and clear evidence of implementation.

Delivery update

2.3 A partnership CWB working group was established in Spring 2023 to consider Community Wealth Building at a North Lanarkshire Partnership level. The group is made up of representatives from key public sector agencies and the third sector. To date the group has

- Undertaken mapping across community planning partners and stakeholders across the 5 pillars. The mapping is added to after each engagement activity to ensure that a true picture of CWB under each of the pillars is built as well as to help to identify any gaps or improvement actions.
- Responded to and committed to considering the potential impact of the Scottish Government CWB consultation on potential legislation
- Creation of a wider stakeholder and engagement plan including engagement with Elected Members, key staff across Community Planning agencies including the council, community and voluntary sector, social enterprise and business networks
- Ensuring attendance at any national discussions around CWB

Update on stakeholder engagement

2.4 The Stakeholder engagement plan is organised around stakeholder groupings as follows

- Elected Members
- Key staff across CPP agencies
- Community and Voluntary Sector Networks including social enterprises
- Customer and user participation mechanisms (mainly for HSC)
- Business Community

Initial Stakeholder engagement session

- 2.5 61 delegates participated in the session from a range of local organisations from public and voluntary sector agencies, as well as community representatives (including Community Boards) and representatives from the business networks.

The session included an input from Scottish Government related to the national picture and an overview of the proposed North Lanarkshire approach, followed by detailed workshops around each of the CWB pillars. Participants were asked to consider the following questions for each of the pillars

- What do you know of that is working well?
- Where are the gaps?
- What could we do more of?
- What assets (buildings, groups, people, activities etc) are in place in your area?
- Partnership/collaborative opportunities

Feedback from this event was used to add to the mapping and to inform the wider engagement process.

Wider stakeholder engagement

- 2.6 The wider engagement phase ran between January and March 2024 and included engagement as follows

- A briefing and engagement session for Elected Members in February 2024
- 4 CVS locality events covering the 9 community Board areas throughout March 2024 as follows
 - Airdrie and Coatbridge
 - Bellshill and Motherwell
 - Wishaw and Shotts
 - Cumbernauld, Kilsyth and the Northern Corridor.These sessions were aimed at community and voluntary sector organisations operating in these areas
- Presentation at the North Lanarkshire Social Enterprise Network in October 2023. Further engagement with social enterprises took place at a NL Social Enterprise Network Development Session and a Social Enterprise Accelerator Event run in conjunction with Inspirent in January 2024
- NL CVS Conference as part of Strategic Planning workshop and at the CVS locality events run by VANL
- Attending an employee ownership workshop organised by Co-operative Development Scotland and learning journey with further engagement to take place with the business community and representative organisations
- Focus groups with key staff from partner agencies including NHS, HSCP and NLC
- Input to the HSC Engagement and participation Group to ensure links to the Engagement and Participation Strategy
- Delivery of a CWB workshop at the North HSCP Strategic Planning Group in March 2024
- Input to patient engagement mechanisms through NHS Lanarkshire

Next Steps

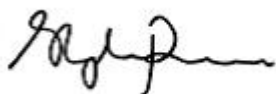
- Writing group established to review feedback from engagement, update mapping and draft statement and key implementation actions – April – June 2024
- Final engagement with key leadership including update input to NLP SLB and engagement with council leadership planned for May/June 2024
- Final sign off for draft statement August/Sept 2024 – NLP and Enterprise and Fair Work Committee
- Final draft circulation with key stakeholder and communities for final feedback – Aug- Oct 2024
- Launch and implementation from December 2024

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 Adoption of a Community Wealth Building Statement by North Lanarkshire Council.

4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 Appendix 1- Community Wealth Building Pillars
Appendix 2 - Examples of Current Types of Activities undertaken by North Lanarkshire Council



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5.9	<p>Risk impact</p> <p>Is there a risk impact?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the key risks and potential impacts, highlighting where the risk(s) are assessed and recorded (e.g. Corporate or Service or Project Risk Registers), and how they are managed?</p>
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If Yes, has a Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment (CRWIA) been carried out?

Yes ☐

No ☐

Community Wealth Building Pillars

Spending Pillar

Definition: Maximising community and business benefits through procurement and commissioning, developing good enterprises, Fair Work and shorter supply chains.

Overview of activity: This includes a focus on ways to achieve greater economic, social and environmental benefits such as growing investment in local businesses, supplier development and innovation, and ensuring the delivery of tangible community benefits.

What this will achieve: Higher levels of spend with Small to Medium Sized Enterprises (SMEs), micro-businesses and inclusive business models resulting in business growth and improved, resilient local and regional economies.

Workforce Pillar

Definition: Increasing Fair Work and developing local labour markets that support the prosperity and wellbeing of communities.

Overview of activity: Ensuring public sector anchor organisations and other employers embed Fair Work principles, promoting the payment of the real Living Wage; recruiting locally, from groups who face inequalities and are furthest from the labour market; and promoting work that is secure, provides flexible working and training opportunities and supports the workforce to have an effective voice. What this will achieve: Access to local and fair employment opportunities, fairer wages, skills development opportunities and improved wellbeing of employees.

Land and Property Pillar

Definition: Growing social, ecological, financial and economic value that local communities gain from land and property assets.

Overview of activity: Productive use of anchor organisation land and property, for example through diversified ownership models including community ownership, and tackling vacant and derelict land and buildings. What this will achieve: Land and property are used for the common good and benefit communities, SMEs and micro-businesses and the environment.

Inclusive Ownership Pillar

Definition: Developing more local and inclusive enterprises which generate community wealth, including social enterprises, employee-owned firms and cooperatives.

Overview of activity: Promoting greater diversity in the business base by encouraging formation and development of inclusive business models which support the local retention of wealth. What this will achieve: More inclusive and democratically owned enterprises and assets which means the wealth created locally and by local people stays in those communities in the form of incomes and profits rather than being extracted out.

Finance Pillar

Definition: Ensuring that flows of investment and financial institutions work for local people, communities and businesses.

Overview of activity: Increasing investment and re-circulating wealth within local economies including through access to affordable credit and business finance. What this will achieve:

Money and investment stays in a local area and is available to support communities and businesses.

Examples of Current Types of Activities undertaken in North Lanarkshire

The undernoted examples were gathered through mapping undertaken to highlight key existing areas of activity aligned to Community Wealth Building. Further information will be added from additional engagement activity to help to inform the implementation actions associated with the final CWB statement.

Pillar 1 – Spending

Activity includes:
Procurement Strategies <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NLC Procurement Strategy 2023-2024 one of the three overarching purposes of the strategy is to procure the Supplies, Works and Services that we need in a lawful and ethical manner which encourages participation and supports sustainable economic growth for our communities and Scotland as a nation • NHSL Procurement Strategy 2021-2023- This strategy sets out targets for % of spend with Lanarkshire based businesses and this will be benchmarked against other territorial health boards.
Supplier Development Programme – the council actively participates in the Programme which provides free support to local businesses to assist them to become tender ready.
Delivery of Community Benefits in Procurement – A wide range of community benefits are already achieved through contracts delivered on behalf of the council and NHS Lanarkshire in areas such as employment opportunities, work experience, apprenticeships, supply chain development and community project contributions. A working group is in place to review the council's approach to delivering community benefits to maximise opportunities moving forward. In partnership with Public Health Scotland and local boards a community benefits gateway has been established to link suppliers with local 'asks' and locally NHS Lanarkshire has recently started to link with the leads of the community wish lists in both NLC and SLC.
Community Wish List – The council is working with Glasgow City Region on the development of the Community Wish List approach with VANL's representing the 8 Glasgow City Region Third Sector Interfaces (TSIs) on the working group for the Glasgow City Region Wish List.
Delivery of Lanarkshire Meet the Real Buyer events and participation in National Meet the Buyer Events. These events linked to the Supplier Development Programme. They enable local businesses to meet key council buyers to learn more about council procurement opportunities.
Exploration of a Social Value Approach to measure the contribution to the local economy of procurement.
Increased adoption of Fair Work First Principles within Procurement

Pillar 2 – Workforce

Activity includes:
Real Living Wage – As well as North Lanarkshire Partnership organisations being Real Living Wage Employers themselves, VANL is also a Living Hours employer and there is ongoing promotion of Living Wage to NL CVS as employers including promotion of living hours.

<p>Disability Confident Leader – the council, NHS and VANL are all Disability Confident and the council is a champion for Disability Confident within the local and business communities.</p>
<p>North Lanarkshire Employer Charter – The charter contains key principles, which are aligned to drive positive improvements in outcomes in the North Lanarkshire labour market, and which are reflected in the four pillars of the Charter. Business must meet with at least two Pillars of the scheme to achieve an Award under the Charter:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fair Pay – increasing our average weekly wage in line with the Fairer Scotland Duty • Employ North Lanarkshire – ensuring that job opportunities go to North Lanarkshire residents • Buy North Lanarkshire – enhancing supply chain / procurement / community benefits • Be the Best – ensuring fair work practices which attract and retain employees <p>NHSL also have a healthy workplace team who work with employers to support staff health and wellbeing.</p>
<p>Employability Support – delivery of a range of programmes and activities to support North Lanarkshire residents to improve their skills and secure employment including the NL CVS Employability Network and ensuring representation of the sector on the NL Local Employability Partnership.</p>
<p>Supported Employment - holistic support tailored to individual needs in order to help people with disabilities and/or multiple barriers to gain and sustain employment.</p>
<p>Support for Living Wage Accreditation – the council encourage business to become accredited and can provide financial support towards accreditation.</p>
<p>Employer Support – Tailored recruitment support for local employers including financial assistance through wage subsidy support.</p>
<p>Delivery of the Workforce for the Future Strategy – the strategy is underpinned by six strategic commitments which are intended to leverage the full range of our vocational education offerings, our employability and skills programmes and funding, and our employer and other partnership working capabilities to improve outcomes within our labour market and within key sectors.</p>
<p>NHS Lanarkshire Cost of Living Plan and anchor institution action plan.</p>
<p>Carer Positive Employer – North Lanarkshire HSCP, NHSNL and VANL are all engaged Carer Positive partnership, operating a working environment where carers are valued and supported.</p>
<p>Delivery of the Tackling Poverty Strategy which seeks to ensure that our residents are offered opportunities, support, advice and information that will address the three main drivers of poverty: increasing income from employment; maximising income via social security benefits; and reducing the cost of living.</p>
<p>Developing the Young Workforce Plan – the ambitious plan sets out how the council, along with schools and partners will continue to work together to improve employability experiences and increase the number of young people entering positive and sustained post-school destinations.</p>

Pillar 3 – Land and Property

<p>Activity includes:</p> <p>Continued support to communities to facilitate and assist Community Asset Transfer to enable local organisations to gain ownership of assets to delivery local services and activities. Individual community planning partners have their own processes in place to ensure legislative obligations are met suited to the scope and operation of their organisation. However where possible and appropriate collaborative approaches are deployed specifically related to supporting and building the capacity of the CVS in North Lanarkshire</p> <p>NLC's development of a wider approach to Community Ownership and Management of council owned assets to better align with the ambitions for of TPFNL, support community aspirations around use of assets and build further capacity across the CVS to take ownership and management of assets – this includes community leases and partnerships agreements</p> <p>Delivery and support for schemes to address issues of Vacant and Derelict land to bring land back into productive use, and maximising funding through Vacant and Derelict Land Fund projects</p> <p>Securing funding through the Regeneration Capital Grant Fund which supports locally developed place-based regeneration projects that involve local communities, helping to tackle inequalities and deliver inclusive growth in deprived and disadvantaged communities.</p> <p>Delivery of the Open Market Purchase Scheme to enable the council to buy homes in areas where there is demand for that type and size of property, and to bring empty properties back into use that have been lying empty or derelict for some time to increase the supply of homes</p> <p>The continued delivery of the council's ambitious New Supply Programme, which aims to provide 5,000 new affordable homes by 2035.</p> <p>Ongoing Town Centre Regeneration activity bringing town centre properties and land back into productive use and the delivery of Town Visions. This reflects active engagement in community planning work to strengthen the public health influence on planning in line with the ambitions of the new Planning (Scotland) Act 2019. This will include more close working between local authorities, NHS, partners and communities to consider local population health intelligence and local needs and utilise co- production models to influence town planning.</p> <p>Ongoing development of property and regeneration projects by Fusion Assets to increase the volume of commercial property and industrial units in the area</p> <p>Development and delivery of Town and Community Hubs to provide services for education and wider sport, leisure, culture and community uses and services.</p> <p>Delivery of the Food Growing Strategy which aims to increase access to affordable, healthy, sustainable food by increasing opportunities for people in North Lanarkshire to 'grow-your-own' through allotments and other community growing models.</p> <p>NHSL chairs the green health partnership and have expanded growing opportunities within our hospital and community health sites.</p> <p>VANL supports delivery of the NL Food Growing Strategy through the Green Wellbeing Project which is the community and CVS strand of the Action on Climate Together NL.</p>

Pillar 4 – Inclusive Ownership

Activity includes:
Development and delivery of the North Lanarkshire Social Enterprise Framework and Action Plan which seeks to grow and strengthen social enterprises in North Lanarkshire.
Delivery of support through the Lanarkshire Business Gateway to support businesses to set-up and grow to provide local employment opportunities and to increase local wealth.
Delivery of activities to increase levels of entrepreneurialism across North Lanarkshire. This includes the Lanarkshire Women In Business initiative to encourage more women to set-up in business, Dragons' Lair which seeks to work within schools to highlight the opportunities of setting up businesses and social enterprise to young people and engagement between schools and the Social Enterprise Academy.
Provision of grant funding to support businesses to set-up and grow. The council provides a range of financial support to assist businesses to set-up and grow.

Pillar 5 – Finance

Activity includes:
Delivery through the Community Boards and development/creation of 9 Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIP's) articulating local priorities and ensuring partnership resources are targeted to working with communities around these priorities. Thematic approaches are emerging in each locality unlocking opportunities to look at maximising delivery through existing shared resource, attraction of additional external funding or income generating opportunities.
Actions within the Tackling Poverty Strategy to widen access to affordable credit within communities and provision of debt and fuel poverty advice.
Capacity Building and Third Sector support to assist organisations to access external funding and develop other income streams.
Development of the Fair Funding Charter: The NLP Community and Voluntary Sector Partnership Group (CVSPG) is currently consulting on the development of a charter that builds on CWB approaches to funding the CVS in a way that is sustainable and asset based.
Ongoing development and delivery of Participatory Budgeting and leveraging in additional resources to deliver key projects and initiatives with and for local communities for example Local Development Programme, Redesigned approach to Community Grants, PB as a key delivery mechanism for the UKSPF Challenge funds, Community Solutions approach, ad hoc targeted PB to increase engagement of under represented communities of interest, identity and place.
Implementation of the North Lanarkshire Volunteering Strategy
Ongoing delivery of Business Support grants and funding to support growth and sustainability of the business sector
Community Solutions in North Lanarkshire is a strategic partnership between HSCP and the third sector interface VANL which invests in community assets. This funding has been increased over the last two years however is time limited. Sustained investment is required to fully realise the benefit of a community assets based approach to wellbeing.
Ongoing leverage and delivery of external funding to support local economic development and regeneration projects e.g. through Regeneration Capital Grant Fund, Vacant and Derelict Land fund, Levelling up Fund, UK Shared Prosperity Fund to deliver outcomes for local residents, communities, town centres, third sector and businesses.
Delivery of Community Grant funding through GAP, Councillor grants, Recover NL. UKSP Challenge Funds.
Ongoing development and delivery of Commissioning Approaches with the third sector

North Lanarkshire Council Report

Communities Committee

Does this report require to be approved?

☒ Yes ☐ No

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Community Board Local Development Programme

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Executive Summary

This report provides an update on progress with the Community Board Local Development Programme (LDP) projects previously approved by committee.

In addition, the report seeks in principle approval for new potential projects as proposed by local community groups.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee:

- (1) Recognises progress with the remaining 2022/23 programme and 2023/24 onwards and approve projects which have potential for delivery in future financial years depending on availability of budget and community support (Appendix 1).
- (2) Recognise the capital budget allocated to the LDP for each Community Board area in the current capital programme (Appendix 2).
- (3) Approves amendments to existing projects and further project proposals and project criteria.
- (4) Acknowledge current challenges faced in achieving delivery of the Local Development Programme;

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority All priorities

Ambition statement (20) Improve the involvement of communities in the decisions, and development of services and supports, that affect them

Programme of Work All Programmes of Work

1. Background

- 1.1 The Policy and Strategy committee agreed, in March 2019, that all projects from 2019/20 onwards, recommended by Community Matters partnerships (now replaced by Community Boards) should be subject to agreement by the former Youth, Equalities and Empowerment Committee before proceeding beyond the in-principle/ conceptual stage. Further approvals will now be sought through the Communities Committee as required.
- 1.2 Budget details have been finalised as part of the council's Strategic Capital Investment Programme for the five-year period from 2021/22 to 2025/26, with an agreed allocation of £1.5m for each of these financial years. An additional £500k was approved as part of the council's revenue budget for 2021/22. These sums are reflected in the breakdown of funding included in Appendix 2.
- 1.3 The current Capital Programme was reviewed and a new Capital Programme for 2024/25 to 2028/29 was agreed by the Council on 14th March 2024. The LDP programme has secured funding for the new five-year plan totalling £10.369 million. This funding will also support the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) process and further details will also be provided in relation to this at the next Communities Committee. Work is ongoing on the phasing of the budget from 2024/25 onwards, and this will also be presented at the next Communities Committee.
- 1.4 The amount allocated to each area reflects a reduction of up to 10% which will be earmarked for delivery and other associated costs in relation to agreed projects, this will include technical support, tendering processes, design and project management and administration.

2. Report

Criteria for Local Development Plan

- 2.1 To be eligible for inclusion in the Community Board Local Development Programme, projects must meet the priorities of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan and substantially subscribe to previously agreed criteria. The following are examples of some of the key criteria:
 - link to LOIP priorities.
 - be publicly visible and accessible.
 - come from community groups or individual.
 - improve community safety.
 - benefit a large number of people.
 - improve the appearance of an area.
 - maximise the use of alternative sources of funding.
 - be a capital projects on council owned land.

All Local Development Programme proposal forms should indicate which, if any, of the Local Outcome Improvement Plan priorities the project supports. Where the project does not align with identified priorities, evidence must be provided to show how the project will support improved local outcomes.

2.2 Project progress

- Information on current and potential future projects is contained within Appendix 1.
- Please note the figures in Appendix 1 are notional/indicative potential project costs and that no budget has been allocated to specific projects.
- The Community Board Local Development Programme highlights the council's commitment to community led neighbourhood regeneration.
- Prioritisation work has been undertaken taking account of the allocated budgets and criteria to schedule project delivery of the current holding over the five-year budget cycle. These priorities may change as projects develop and clearer costs become available.
- Where feasibility checks have identified that the project is not viable, the recommendation within Appendix 1 is to delete such projects from the list moving forward.

2.3 Projects seeking approval.

Table 1 below, provides a summary of the LDP projects seeking Committee approval in this cycle. In total, 19 projects across 7 of the 9 Community Board areas are seeking Committee Approval.

Table 1. Projects seeking approval from this cycle of Community Boards

Community Board Area	Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Airdrie	Calderbank Dog Walking Area	Install fencing to create a dog walking area adjacent to the synthetic grass pitch.	£15,000	£0	
Airdrie	Caldercruix Play Area	Upgrade of Play area	£100,000	TBC	Site visit completed. Project proposal in progress
Airdrie	Petersburn Main Play Area	Renew existent play area and concentrate all play provisions in one play area	£100,000		Project Proposal to be prepared in consultation with the local community
Bellshill	Lilac Crecent car parking	Car parking	£17500	£0	
Coatbridge	Greenwood Crescent Community Garden	Environmental improvements	£5,000	£5,000 matched funding from	Proposal submitted, agreed matched

				Housing Services	resources with Housing. Project requested by tenants.
Coatbridge	Langloan Community Space	Play & Environmental improvements	£5,000	£0	Goalposts & roll bars on grass area leading to 'the bumps' to help reclaim the space for children & community, also includes potential support to community garden space.
Cumbernauld	Birch Road (Abronhill)	Parking	£25,000	£0	Three proposals submitted. Potential for 10 parking bays.
Cumbernauld	Afton Road (Kildrum)	Parking	£10,000	£0	Request for additional parking: feasibility checks underway. Community Council identified project as priority one, out of applications submitted. Potential for 3 additional parking bays
Cumbernauld	Handrails Kildrum	Community safety	£10,000	£0	
Cumbernauld	Notice boards (3) Kildrum	Community Notice boards	£7,500	£0	
Motherwell	George St Park, Leven Street, Motherwell	Constructing a walking Path round the park, with bench, Trim trail, and a bog garden etc	£15,000	£0	Early stages, validity checks of project required. Local group to do local consultation in Spring 24
Motherwell	Fife Drive, Forgewood play park	Replace missing equipment and consider	£80,000	TBC	Further discussion with the local

	improvement and expansion.	adding some more play equipment to improve the park			organisation and community
Motherwell	Newarthill Lighting project	Path-lighting, woodland walking area	£7k - £10k	£0	Further discussion to be had with the Newarthill community council. Proposal submitted. Need to establish full scope of work.
Northern Corridor	Auchinloch Community Council outdoor gym	Establish outdoor gym facility in Auchinloch	£20,000	£0	Next financial year priority. Project identified through Auchinloch Community Action Plan. Feasibility checks on potential site completed.
Northern Corridor	Northern Corridor Community Volunteers Locality Heritage Project	Further develop local heritage project	£5,000		Next financial year priority. Stage 2 implementation of the project.
Northern Corridor	Moodiesburn Play Area	Create play area at top end of Moodiesburn	£	TBC	Next financial year priority. Identified by Moodiesburn Community Action Group consultation. Proposed site on ground at St. Michael's PS, Blackwoods Crescent approved for use.
Northern Corridor	Cardowan Community Meadow outdoor gym	Establish outdoor gym facility in Cardowan	£20,000	£0	Next financial year priority.

					Project identified through Cardowan Community Action Plan. Feasibility checks on potential site completed.
Northern Corridor	Moodiesburn Christmas Tree project	Erect permanent Christmas tree in Moodiesburn	£3,000		Next financial year priority. CPT and Streetscene to carry out feasibility check on potential site.
Wishaw	Cambusnethan	Dog Walking Area at Cambusnethan Memorial Park	£12,000	£0	LDP Project Proposal received from Cambusnethan CC in support of the community for a formal dog walking area at the Memorial Park.

Current Delivery Challenges

2.4 As previously reported, delivery of the Local Development Programme has faced a number of challenges during the current financial year due to a range of external factors. Updates on the current challenges are as follows:

- **Surfacing Contract:** As previously reported, material costs have experienced substantial cost increases over recent months. This has led to the appointed contractor for the Bitumen Macadam (Bitmac) Repairs 2022-2026 contract (Housing Property & Projects) withdrawing from the contract due to financial viability. The Local Development Programme accessed this contract to deliver surfacing and car parking projects and therefore, the delivery of all such projects had been placed on hold.

Agreement was reached with Roads service, who use the surfacing framework, and an agreement was reached for the LDP programme to use this framework. A programme of 25 surfacing projects was tendered and the successful contractor was appointed in early December 2023. Work on the surfacing projects began in January 2024 and concluded at the end of March. A new programme of surfacing projects is being developed by the LDP team for 2024/25.

- **Labour Shortages.** Ongoing market engagement continues to allow us to develop accurate project timelines. Due to the demand on a relatively small number of suppliers and specialist installers the Play Area projects will now have an estimated site start date four months from date of contract award. We will continue to monitor the market position and adjust timelines as required.
- **Market Capacity and Demand.** The additional budget that will be provided to all Local Authorities from the Scottish Government to improve play areas over the next three years is expected to create additional pressure on a limited number of suppliers and specialist installers. As previously reported project budgets have been reprofiled and sites grouped together in lots to be more attractive to the market. This approach has proved successful in attracting tender bids for all the play areas which have recently been tendered.

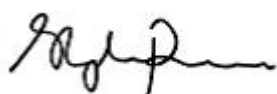
The tender process was concluded in early December 2023 and successful contractors were appointed for the various projects. Detailed discussions are underway with all the successful contractors, and the first play projects commenced in mid- April. Planning work is well underway to develop a new programme of play facility upgrades and potentially new sites for 2024/25 and 2025/26.

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 Projects delivered within agreed timescales taking into account all relevant factors and budgetary considerations.
- 3.2 Local communities are involved from the earliest stage in the development of project designs and delivery and are generally satisfied with the outcome.
- 3.3 People in communities whose voices are seldom heard are engaged in putting forward/influencing projects within their community.
- 3.4 The governance role of the Community Boards is consolidated in terms of project development, approvals, and monitoring processes.

4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 Appendix 1 – Community Board Local Development Programme 2022/23 onwards
- 4.2 Appendix 2 – Budget Information
- 4.3 Appendix 3 – Play Area Development List 2023/24



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5. Impacts

5.1 Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty Does the report contain information that has an impact as a result of the Public Sector Equality Duty and/or Fairer Scotland Duty? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact? If Yes, has an assessment been carried out and published on the council's website? https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/your-community/equalities/equality-and-fairer-scotland-duty-impact-assessments Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>
5.2 Financial impact Does the report contain any financial impacts? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant financial impacts been discussed and agreed with Finance? Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact? Each of the projects in the attached Appendices, if deemed appropriate for delivery and where budget is available is supported through funding available via the Community Board Local Development Programme capital allocation. Consideration will also be given to maximising external and other partner contributions where possible.
5.3 HR policy impact Does the report contain any HR policy or procedure impacts? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant HR impacts been discussed and agreed with People Resources? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?
5.4 Legal impact Does the report contain any legal impacts (such as general legal matters, statutory considerations (including employment law considerations), or new legislation)? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant legal impacts been discussed and agreed with Legal and Democratic? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?
5.5 Data protection impact Does the report / project / practice contain or involve the processing of personal data? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, is the processing of this personal data likely to result in a high risk to the data subject? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, has a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) been carried out and e-mailed to dataprotection@northlan.gov.uk Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/>

5.6	Technology / Digital impact
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<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>	
<p>Several of the projects will have a positive effect on the local environment, contributing to safer areas to play and addressing issues traffic congestion in specific areas.</p>	
5.8	Communications impact
<p>Does the report contain any information that has an impact on the council's communications activities?</p>	
<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>	
<p>The LDP is discussed widely with community groups and local consultation will be communicated as required. In conjunction with local communities, a communications approach will ensure that projects are promoted positively.</p>	
5.9	Risk impact
<p>Is there a risk impact?</p>	
<p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>	
<p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the key risks and potential impacts, highlighting where the risk(s) are assessed and recorded (e.g. Corporate or Service or Project Risk Registers), and how they are managed?</p>	
<p>There are no significant financial risks which have been identified at this stage in the financial year, however this will continue to be closely monitored. Some projects may not proceed as a result of e.g., community consultation or site investigations and outstanding budgets will be re-allocated to other projects which will be reported to a future Community Board. It should be acknowledged that there are nationwide challenges in relation to supply of materials and there is also an impact on material costs leading to potentially higher contract costs which could impact on delivery of projects.</p>	
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Armed Forces community to make sure that they do not face disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public services.

5.11 Children's rights and wellbeing impact

Does the report contain any information regarding any council activity, service delivery, policy, or plan that has an impact on children and young people up to the age of 18, or on a specific group of these?

Yes ☒ No ☒

If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact and the provision that has been made to ensure there has been appropriate consideration of the relevant Articles from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).

Information is provided regarding upgraded and new play areas across North Lanarkshire.

If Yes, has a Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment (CRWIA) been carried out?

Yes ☐ No ☒

AIRDRIE

Projects Under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Lost Villages	Heritage Project	TBC		Feasibility checks to be done.
Chapelhall/Bellside Road parking	Road parking	£40,000.00		Awaiting outcome of legal issues (Approved previously by Board) no progress till further notice.
Petersburn Play Area Varnsdorf way	Toddlers play area	£50,000		Feasibility checks to be done.

Projects Seeking Approval-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Calderbank Dog Walking Area	Install fencing to create a dog walking area adjacent to the synthetic grass pitch	£15,000		
Caldercruix Play Area	Upgrade of Play area	£100,000		Site visit completed. Project proposal in progress
Petersburn Main Play Area	Renew existent play area and concentrate all play provisions in one play area	£100,000		Project Proposal to be prepared in consultation with the local community

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Airdrie BMX/Pump Track	Funding to support regenerating of the existing facilities or build a new pumptrack.	£10,000	£140,000	Approved at CB 8 th March 2023. Further project development work required. To progress to build 2024/25
Holehills Development	Play Area Kenilburn Ave/Holehills Place	£10,000	Housing developers off site contribution	Approved at CB 7 th June 2023. Site unavailable due to currently being used by developer. Need to identify new site.
Hill Street Parking, Caldercruix	Create additional parking bays	£15,600.65		Completed Feb 2024.

Four Isles Community Centre	Install fencing to create outdoor area behind the community centre	£10,000		Approved at CB 6 th December 2023
Brownsburn Park	Upgrade to paths	£17,000		Approved at CB 8 th March 2023. Arrange site meeting.
Whinhall Allotments	Environmental works including the installation of new path, raised beds and associated ground works	£15,000	N/A	Final design being consulted on with group.
Jarvie Avenue, Plains	Parking	£20,655.50		Contractor appointed. Work completed mid-April 2024
Plains Community Futures	Outdoor Gym	£24,200	£13,000 grants from Consortium & Lottery	Approved at CB Dec 22 Deliver Year 3 Contractor appointed. Further consultation required with Plain Community Futures.
Gartleahill Play Area	Wheeled sports area & refurb existing play area	£20,000	£80K will be allocated from Scottish Government Play Park Renewal Programme	2024-2025 Contractor appointed. Work planned to commence end of May 2024.
Craigneuk play area. Calderigg Place	Creation of new play area	£100,000		A suitable site has been identified to build a new play area. Contractor appointed. Work planned to commence end of May 2024
Community Safety - CCTV	Additional CCTV in locality in conjunction with community safety partners	£25,000		£5967.50 deployable CCTV contribution £3,743.00 and £10,000 committed for CCTV Projects
Caldercruix	Heritage Project	£30,000		Work completed in March 2024
Rawyards Roundabout	Environmental Improvements	£10,000		Veg clearance works. Planting and general maintenance works included. Works to be completed by March 2024
Victor Street / Stemac Lane Plains	Parking Improvements	£6,196.51		Completed Feb 2024.
Crowwood Road, Calderbank	Parking	£15,000		Approved at CB on 6 th Sept 23 Progressing in 2024/25 financial year

Glen Road, Petersburn	Parking	£10,000		Approved at CB on 6 th Sept 23 Progressing in 2024/25 financial Year
West End/Centenary Park	New interpretation boards	£15,000		Approved at CB on 6 th Sept 23 Progressing in 2024/25 financial Year.
Community Partnership Initiatives	Funding to support partnership initiatives	£10,000		

BELLSHILL

Projects Under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
McCracken Drive, car parking (Viewpark)	Additional parking space	£17500		Prioritisation required around scope and location.
Keith Street parking - car parking (Bellshill)	Additional parking space	£15000		Awaiting response from project proposer for developing LDP project proposal form.
Juniper Place, car parking (Viewpark)	Additional parking space	£15000		Awaiting response from project proposer for developing LDP project proposal form.
Olive bank, car parking (Viewpark)	Additional parking space	£15000		Awaiting response from project proposer for developing LDP project proposal form.
Grove Wood - car parking (Viewpark)	Additional parking space	£15000		Awaiting response from project proposer for developing LDP project proposal form.

Projects Seeking Approval-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Lilac Crecent car parking	Car parking	£17500		Proposal form submitted

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Laburnum Rd footbridge and environment Viewpark	To repair side panels of an existing footbridge. Addressing litter and fly tipping issues	£10,000		Estimated delivery FY2024-25 by Structures Team of Council.
Sycamore Ave, Viewpark Community garden	To create a community garden/ dog walking area	£25,000		Design and development in progress. Timescale Financial Year 2024-25
Main Street, Holytown Community garden	Project to create a community garden	£25,000		Design and development in progress. Timescale Financial Year 2024-25
Redwood Crescent, Viewpark Community garden	Project to create a community garden	£30,000		Feasibility checks required in terms of scope, engagement, and design. Timescale Financial Year 2024-25
Viewpark Gardens	Funding to support development of potential works at site	£20,000		Timescale Financial Year 2024-25 for delivery in conjunction with local group.
Community Safety – CCTV Provision	Additional CCTV in locality in conjunction with community safety partners	£25,000		
Rosevale Crescent MUGA	Potential MUGA facility	£30,000	£100,000	Contractor appointed. Work to progress mid-April 2024
Clydesdale Rd/Mossend Primary School – car parking	Extra car parking spaces	£35,000		NLC Roads have confirmed that they would not support the installation of barriers to prevent parking/traffic issues.
Community Partnership initiatives	Funding to support partnership initiatives	£10,000		
Gemini Grove, Holytown Wall entrance project	Project to cut through an opening through a low-level brick wall for residents' access to a public car park.	£5,000		Project completed March 2024.
Orbiston bing project	Vegetation clearance to footpaths and	£10,000		Vegetation cleared from existing footpaths.

	existing pedestrian routes.			
Crowflat View, Viewpark Car parking project	Extra car parking spaces	£10,209.80		Completed in March 2024
Napier Square (north side), Bellshill - car park project	Extra car parking spaces	£15,804.40		Completed in March 2024
Bellshill Gateway-community Garden	Project to create a community garden	£25,000		LDP contribution to existing Gateway project for the community garden construction.
Bairds Ave, Viewpark Play facilities improvement Project	Upgrading play equipment in an existing play area	£99,578		Contractor appointed. Work to commence in mid-May 2024.
Douglas Street, Viewpark Car parking	Car parking	£18000		Further information is required for identifying location and scope of work. To progress in Financial Year 24/25.

COATBRIDGE

Projects Under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Shawhead Recreation Space	Play	£10,000	New Supply	Project to progress under New Supply as part of Dunnotar Avenue project – like for like replacement of recreation space.

Projects Seeking Approval-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Greenwood Crescent Community Garden	Environmental	£5,000	£5,000 matched resource from Housing	Proposal submitted, agreed matched resources with Housing. Project requested by tenants
Langloan Community Space	Play & Environmental	£5,000		Goalposts & roll bars on grass area leading to 'the bumps' to help reclaim the space for children & community, also includes potential support to community garden space.

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Last Tram Project	Heritage	£10,000	£5,000 Active & Creative Communities £1100 through Community Benefits	Funding proposal submitted for 10k. £20K required to complete project. Approved
Dunure Place Coatbridge	Creation of parking bays to alleviate congestion	£12,951.85		Approved in principle Awaiting consultation. Contractor appointed. To be completed by the end of April 2024.
Dunure Street Coatbridge	Dog walking area at Dunure Street Coatbridge	£15,000		Approved in principle. Scheduling in progress Contractor appointed. To be completed by end of April 2024.
Community Safety – CCTV	Additional CCTV in locality in conjunction with Community Safety Partners	£25,000		As required.
Kirkwood Local Improvements	Junior play area development	£60,000		Survey report complete. Design Brief complete. Contractor appointed. Work to commence in May 2024.
Kirkwood Local Improvements	Dog walking area development	£15,000		Survey report complete. Scheduling in progress. To be completed in Spring 2024.
Margaret Street Park	Remove fencing & upgrade lighting	£1,000		Fencing completed. Upgrade from single to dual light in progress.
Summerlee Street	Parking and Environment	£16,874.95		Extension of footpath along grass verge. Completed in March 2024
Carnbroe Welcome Signage & Heritage panels	Signage on Roundabouts re welcome & safe driving & heritage panels to safely screen mine cap in community garden	£10,000		Project requested by CCAR – proposal submitted; initial feasibility completed. Design process in progress with CCAR
Oak Place, Greenend Parking Bays	Creation of additional parking bays to alleviate congestion	£10,733.55		Oak Place & alleviate congestion. Surfacing Contractor appointed. To be completed by the end of April 2024.
Kelso Quadrant Community space	Create a useable community space on currently unused waste ground to rear of properties	£10,000		Design of community garden in process with residents and supported by street scene team.

				Further engagement mid-March 2024.
Shining Stars Outdoor Learning Space Project	Utilise space at rear of building to create secure learning and performance space for ASN theatre school	£10,000		Initial feasibility completed; project proposal form submitted. Design of outdoor education space in process with project members and supported by street scene team.
Community Partnership Initiatives		£10,000		

CUMBERNAULD

Projects Proposal under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Ellisland Road, Kildrum	Parking	£15,000		Feasibility checks required.
Darroch Way, Seafar	Parking	£15,000		Feasibility checks required.

Projects Seeking Approval-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Birch Road (Abronhill)	Parking	£25,000		Three proposals submitted. Potential for 10 parking bays.
Afton Road (Kildrum)	Parking	£10,000		Request for additional parking: feasibility checks underway. Community Council identified project as priority one, out of applications submitted. Potential for 3 additional parking bays
Handrails Kildrum	Pathway Handrails for 3 areas	£10,000		
Notice boards (3) Kildrum	Community Notice boards	£7,500		

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Inchwood Road, Westfield	Parking	£10,412.24		Contract awarded. Works to be completed by End of April 2024
Watch Us Grow	Environmental improvement	£10,000		Awaiting license from Nature Scotland

Netherwood Road (Westfield)	Parking	£15,906.90		Contract awarded. Works to be completed by end of April 2024
Cumbernauld Peace Garden	Memory Walk	£10,000		Detail design required. Out to tender next financial year.
Eastfield Play Area	Playpark	£100,000		Balloch site identified, proposal submitted by local community. Financial Year 2024/25. Consultation underway.
Oak Road Football Pitch, Abronhill	Parking Improvements	£30,506.30		Completed Feb 2024
Melrose Road, Greenfaulds	Parking Improvements	£10,833.75		Contract awarded. Works to be completed by End of March 2024
Community Partnership Initiatives	Funding to support community partnership initiatives	£10,000		
Cumbernauld CCTV	CCTV	£25000		Columns installed: Clouden/Ellisland. Carbrain Gully (Greenrigg Road), the column tracking.
Cumbernauld Heritage Project, Abronhill	Heritage Project	£4,900		Restoring of underpass painting/mural. Advice sought from Active and Creative Communities.
Millcroft Road, South Carbrain	Play Area upgrade		£80,000 (Scottish Government funding)	Contract awarded. Works to be completed by Spring 2024.
Braehead Road, Kildrum	Play Area Upgrade		£50,000 (Scottish Government funding)	Contract awarded. Works to be completed by Spring 2024.
Ben Venue (Eastfield)	Parking	£8,941.50		Contract awarded. Works to be completed by end of April 2024.
Mossywood Court, Westfield	Parking	£12,000		Potential for 4 spaces. To be tendered Summer 2024

KILSYTH

Projects Under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Kilsyth Old Peoples Welfare Committee – centre renovations	Contribution towards improvements works at Old Library (Burngreen)	TBC		Organisation seeking third party funding support for essential building and facility improvements. Proposal will require to be updated

Projects Seeking Approval -

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
No projects seeking approval this cycle				

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Bogside Playpark	Play Park upgrade	£15,000	£50,000 Scottish Government	Tender awarded Jan 2024. Work planned to commence Mid-May 2024.
Croy Community Hub	Outdoor Community Space (garden)	£15,000		2024/25 priority. Costings to be determined and community engagement required. Community Consultation undertaken Feb 24. Further site visits carried out recently to determine re water management.
CCTV	Community Safety	£10,000.00		Cameras to be installed on Barlandfauld Street
Argyll Place Parking	Additional parking spaces required.	£15,000		Financial year 2024/25
Banton Parking	Parking	£12,552.50		Contractor appointed. To be completed by the end of April 2024.
Rennie Rd Play Park	Requires community group involvement to progress	TBC		Community group (Tenants and Residents) now established. Project scope to be confirmed.
Community Partnership Initiatives	Funding to support partnership initiatives	£1,500		

MOTHERWELL

Projects Under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Rail Bridge Project, Craigneuk	Working with the community to develop a rail bridge art project, which will include the potential for improvement works on Glencairn Road			Early stages, scoping of project required. No proposal form received to date.
Lyons Quadrant, Craigneuk	Additional Parking bays to alleviate congestion.			LDP Proposal submitted. Need to establish full scope of work. To proceed next financial year. Further consultation required to establish scope of works
Outdoor Gym, Newarthill	Development of an outdoor gym for community use			Proposal Form Received. Early stages, validity checks of project required.

Projects Seeking Approval-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
George St Park, Leven Street, Motherwell	LDP form received from the group regarding constructing a walking Path round the park, with bench, Trim trail, and a bog garden etc	£15,000		Proposal Form Received. Early stages, validity checks of project required. Local group to do local consultation in Spring 24.
Fife Drive, Forgewood play park improvement and expansion	Replace missing equipment and consider adding some more play equipment to improve the park	£80,000		Further discussion with the local organisation and community Application received.
Newarthill	Path-lighting, woodland walking area	£7k - £10k		Further discussion to be had with the Newarthill community council. Proposal submitted. Need to establish full scope of work.

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Newarthill Glenburn Ave. Parking	Parking	£8,498.50		Contractor appointed. Work completed in Mid-April 2024.
Community Safety CCTV	Additional CCTV in locality in conjunction with Community Safety Partners	£25,853		.
Community Partnership Initiatives	Funding to support community partnership initiatives	£10,000		Approved at Communities Committee.
Roman Road, Motherwell Central Play Area	Play Area	£140,000		Contractor appointed. Work to commence mid-May 2024.
Robert Burns Avenue, Newarthill	Parking bays	£8,067.00		Contractor appointed. Work completed in mid-April 2024
Newarthill Tree Lighting project	Community Council want to light up 5 trees next to the welcome to Newarthill entrance feature	£15,000		Under development. Estimated delivery Financial Year 24-25
Duchess Park, Hamilton Road	New notice boards/signage			Further discussion with the local community. Waiting on confirmation that the new notice board and Duchess Park sign can be replaced internally. Approved
Kinloch Drive	Parking	£3,300.00		Completed in March 2024.

NORTHERN CORRIDOR

Projects under development 2024 onwards -

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
No projects under development in this cycle				

Projects Seeking Approval for 2024 onwards.

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Auchinloch Community Council outdoor gym	Establish outdoor gym facility in Auchinloch.	£20,000		Next financial year priority. Project identified through Auchinloch Community Action Plan. Feasibility checks on potential site completed.
Northern Corridor Community Volunteers Locality Heritage Project	Further develop local heritage project	£ 5,000		financial year 2024/25 priority. Stage 2 implementation of the project.
Moodiesburn Play Area	Create play area at top end of Moodiesburn.	TBC		financial year 2024/25 priority. Identified by Moodiesburn Community Action Group consultation. Proposed site on ground at St. Michael's PS, Blackwoods Crescent approved for use.
Cardowan Community Meadow outdoor gym	Establish outdoor gym facility in Cardowan	£20,000		financial year 2024/25 priority. Project identified through Cardowan Community Action Plan. Feasibility checks on potential site completed.
Moodiesburn Christmas Tree project	Erect permanent Christmas tree in Moodiesburn	£ 3000		financial year 2024/25 priority. CPT and Streetscene to carry out feasibility check on potential site.

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Community Safety CCTV	Additional CCTV in the locality in conjunction with community safety partners	£15,000		financial year 2024/25 priority.
Community Partnership initiatives	Funding to support community partnership initiatives	£ 3,000		financial year 2024/25 priority.
Dunalistair Drive Play Area, Millerston	Replace play area	£60,000	£60,000 (Scottish Government Funding)	Project build completed March 2024, final hand over to take place.
Moodiesburn Kelvin Drive Wheeled sports facility	Wheeled sports facility	£20,000	£133,000 (Developers Contribution)	Contractor appointed. Work commenced late March 2024
Lochside Play Area, Gartcosh	Refurbish play area	£10,000	£80,000 (Scottish Government Funding) £5000 (Developers contribution)	Contractor appointed. Work commences mid-May 2024.
Car parking bays at Blades Court, Gartcosh	Additional bays on grassed areas	£7,430.70		Completed Feb 2024
Car parking bays at Lochside, Gartcosh	Additional bays on grassed areas	£13,853.75		Completed Feb 2024
Frankfield Road, Cardowan MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) project.		£40,000	Final cost to be confirmed.	Contractor appointed. Work commenced week beginning 2 nd April 2024

SHOTTS

Projects under development 2023 onwards:

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Summerhill Place, Allanton	Car Parking	Notional £20000 budget		Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility
Salsburgh Community Council	Commemorative Railway Hutch and Wagon on Rails	Notional £15000 budget		Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility

Salsburgh Community Council	Solar lighting at outdoor community space to aide community safety	Notional £5000 budget.		Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility
Salsburgh Community Council	King George V Park path renewal	N/A	N/A	Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility
Stane Gardens, Shotts	Request for additional benches at Stane Gardens	Notional budget of £6000		Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility.
Salsburgh Community Council	Wider improvement programme for King George V Park	TBC		Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility
Nevis Place	Installation of parking bays and lining of parking area in existent area	Approx £1000	TBC	Initial engagement taken place. Awaiting proposal form
Belmont Drive	Installation of parking bays	TBC	TBC	Initial engagement taken place. Proposal form with projects team for feasibility checks.

Projects Seeking Approval-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
No projects in this cycle				

Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Stane Corner Parking	Manse Road car park lining and directional signage project to be undertaken along with a community awareness campaign to promote car park usage	£10,000.00		Contractor appointed for delivery.

Shotts Leisure Centre Outdoor Gym	Outdoor gym	£30,000.00		Future years delivery dependent on budget and feasibility
Lochaber Road Parking	Parking	£28,314.25		Completed in March 2024
Community Safety CCTV	Additional CCTV in the locality in conjunction with community safety partners	£30,600.37		Programme of camera upgrades and new installations undertaken including support towards a deployable CCTV trailer.
Hartwood	Funding to support local organisation with play area refurbishment	£15,000 LDP for year 3	£70,000 EKF external funding sourced by organisation	Handover delayed till new drainage on site has been addressed.
Torbothie Rd Shotts	Parking	£12,900.00		Contractor appointed for delivery. Due to be completed by end of April 2024
Salsburgh Feature Lighting	Project to install lighting on entrance features and war memorial	£10,000		Feasibility plans being investigated for installation.
Laggan Path	Parking	£10,000		Currently assigned to 2024/25 delivery
Muldron Terrace, Shotts	Development of parking bays to reduce congestion	£10,302.87	TBC	Main build completed but lining and top dressing to be finalised.
Community Partnership Initiatives	Funding to support community partnership initiatives	£2000	TBC	Approved at Community Empowerment Committee

WISHAW

Projects Under development 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Newmains Community Council - Bike Track or MUGA	Clarification on project once survey findings received	£140,000		Awaiting survey results. Follow up meeting with Community Council being arranged.
Parking Cleland	Lack of parking at Crossgates Ave, Crosshill Dr & Fraser St	TBC		Project idea raised by local community – Site visit completed. Further checks required.
Templars Gill	Environmental & Woodland improvements – including	Third party contribution TBC	Potential of up to £100,000 funding from Sports Scotland Facilities Fund	Idea being developed in partnership with Social Track and Green Action

	installation of bike park			Trust. Proposal to be submitted in due course.
Wishawhill Woodland	Environmental & Woodland improvements around Wishawhill Woods including further development of pump track/cycling facilities.	Third party contribution TBC	Potential of up to £100,000 funding from Sports Scotland Facilities Fund	Idea being developed in partnership with Social Track and Green Action Trust. Proposal to be submitted in due course.

Projects Seeking Committee Approval and Noting by Community Board-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Cambusnethan	Dog Walking Area at Cambusnethan Memorial Park	TBC		LDP Project Proposal received from Cambusnethan CC in support of the community for a formal dog walking area at the Memorial Park.

Potential Community Board LDP Programme 2023 onwards-

Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Cleland Sidney Devine Memorial	Memorial Plaque for Sydney Devine in his town of birth.	TBC		Proposal being developed along with local representatives. Positive response received in community board.
Coltness Welcome sign	Welcome sign	£20,000.00		– Joint site visits complete. Consultation in progress. Project team carrying out feasibility checks to progress.
King George V Play area, Wishaw	Replace Play area	£50,000.00	£100,000	Consultation and Design Specification completed. Contractor appointed. Work to commence in June 2024.
Cleland MUGA	Creation of New MUGA	£70,000.00		Year 2024/25 priority - Location identified. Additional funding required for project (approx. £50-70K)
Cleland Public Park	Refurb and extend play area	£55,000.00		Contract awarded. Work due to commence in FY 2024/25
Lyman Drive Play Area	Replace Play area – upgrade park	£40,000.00		Consultation and Design specification completed. Contractor appointed.

				Work to commence in June 24.
Community Safety CCTV	Additional CCTV in locality in conjunction with community safety partners	£25,000		
Newmains Play Area at Community Hub	Improved play area facilities in conjunction with local community	£175,000		Contract awarded. Contractor now on site, work commenced W/C 4 th September 2023. works completed, handover delayed.
Overtown Brighter Neighbourhood Group	Outdoor Gym	£45,000		Contractor appointed. Work commenced in Mid-April 2024.
Community Partnership Initiatives	Funding to support community partnership initiatives	£10,000		Approved at Community Empowerment Committee
Park Quadrant Parking	Junction improvements	£10,264.85		Further consultation required for revised layout. Contractor appointed.
Parkside Play Area, Cleland	Install new swing bay		£5,000	Completed October 23.
Newmains Community Council Village Welcome Sign	Creation of Welcome Sign	£20,000		Consultation underway to develop design specification.
Branchalwood Estate, Coltness	Environmental improvements	£5000		Nature Walk Upgrades. Idea being developed by local neighbourhood group. Proposal form submitted with location plan.
Greenfield Drive	Parking	£9,907.88		Completed Feb 2024

Appendix 2

Annual Total	Community Board								
	Airdrie	Bellshill	Coatbridge	Kilsyth	Motherwell	Cumbernauld	Northern Corridor	Shotts	Wishaw
Year 1	310,140	220,140	260,280	58,140	292,140	257,580	127,440	85,860	202,140
Year 2	232,605	165,105	195,210	43,605	219,105	193,185	95,580	64,035	151,605
Year 3	232,605	165,105	195,210	43,605	219,105	193,185	95,580	64,035	151,605

Play Area Development Update 2023/24

Community Board	Project Name	Project Description	Project Potential Cost	Additional external or partner funding available	Additional Notes
Airdrie	Gartleahill play area	Replacement and upgrade of existing play area	£20,000	£80,000	Installation due end of May 2024.
Airdrie	Craigneuk play area	New play area	£90,000	£0	Installation due end of May 2024.
Airdrie	Holehill/ Kenniburn Avenue	New play area	£50,000	£0	Project delayed until 2024/25
Airdrie	Moffat View Play Area	Replace existing play area	£50,000		Work completed September 2023
Airdrie	Plains Outdoor gym	New outdoor gym facility	£35,000	£0	Installation commenced Mid-April 2024
Bellshill	Baird's Avenue Park	Improving play facilities and equipment at an existing play area	£30,000	£70,000	Installation due mid-May 2024
Bellshill	Rosevale Crescent/Calder Park MUGA project, Mossend	Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA) facility	£30,000 + additional external funding	£100,000 Developer contribution	Installation began mid-April 2024
Coatbridge	Kirkwood Junior Play area	New play area for younger children	£40,000	£0	Installation due in Mid-May 2024.
Cumbernauld	Millcroft Road	Upgrade Play Area		£80,000 Scottish Government Play Park renewal fund.	Installation completed by the end of April 2024
Cumbernauld	Braehead Road	Upgrade Play Area		£50,000 Scottish Government Play Park renewal fund.	Installation completed by the end of April 2024
Kilsyth	Bogside Park	Replacement and upgrade of existing play area	£15,000	£65,000 Scottish Government Play Area Renewal Fund	Projected completed December 2024

Motherwell	The Loaning Motherwell	Improvements to play area	£50,000	£100,000 Scottish Government Play Park renewal fund	Project completed September 2023
Motherwell	The Roman Road	Improvement and renewal of a play area	£50,000	£90,000 Scottish Government Play Park renewal fund	Installation due in mid-May 2024
Northern Corridor	Moodiesburn Kelvin Drive Wheeled sports facility	Wheeled sports facility	£20,000	£52,000 Developers Contribution	Project completed Autumn 2023
Northern Corridor	Frankfield Road MUGA	New Multi Use Games Area	£130,000		Installation started early April 2024
North Corridor	Dunalistair Drive Play Area	Replacement play area	£120,000		Project completed November 2023
North Corridor	Lochside Play area Gartcosh	Replacement play area	£0	£80,000	Installation due in mid-May 2024
Shotts	Hartwood	Funding to support local play area refurbishment	£15,000		Project completed September 2023
Shotts	Hareshaw	Additional play equipment	£5,000		Project completed September 2023
Wishaw	Overtown	Outdoor Gym	£45,000		Installation started mid-April 2024
Wishaw	Lyman Drive play area	Replacement play area	£0	£40,000 Scottish Government Play area renewal funding	Installation due in June 2024.
Wishaw	Newmains	Improved play area	£150,000		Installed September 2023
Wishaw	Cleland Public Park	Refurb and extend play area	£50,000.00		Installed October 2023
Wishaw	Parkside	Install new swing bay	£5,000		Installed September 2023
Wishaw	King George V Park	Improved play park	£150,000		Installation due June 2024

North Lanarkshire Council Report

Communities Committee

Does this report require to be approved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

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Date

29/04/24

Community Boards and Partnership Communications Strategy

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Executive Summary

This report provides an update on key progress linked to supporting the development of the Community Boards model including updates on the 14th cycle of Community Boards meetings which took place throughout February/March 2024.

- Progress with the delivery of the nine Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs) and the implementation of an associated Monitoring and Management Framework and Partnership delivery approach
- Progress with the Community Board Development Programme
- Work to commence development of a Partnership Communications Strategy
- Continued development of a Partnership Communications Strategy

As previously agreed by committee, reports on the work of the nine Community Boards are provided to the committee relating to each committee cycle. Progress is also reported to the North Lanarkshire Community Planning Partnership Strategic Leadership Board to reflect the statutory nature of the Boards in Community Planning terms in providing local governance for the Local Outcome Improvement Plans. This report covers cycle 14 Community Board meetings.

The process and focus of reporting on the work of the Community Boards will continue to be reviewed and elements included within the Local Outcome Improvement Plan monitoring and management framework.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee:

- (1) Recognises work to continue to develop and improve the integrated approach to supporting the local Community Board model.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority	Enhance participation, capacity, and empowerment across our communities
Ambition statement	(20) Improve the involvement of communities in the decisions, and development of services and supports, that affect them
Programme of Work	All Programmes of Work

1. Background

- 1.1 Community Matters - A Framework for Working with Communities set out the Community Planning Partnership's commitment to engaging with communities underpinned by a set of principles and approaches designed to deliver on key priorities associated with working with communities which included the creation of Community Boards. The framework was approved by the Policy & Strategy Committee at its meeting on 19 March 2020.
- 1.2 The Community Boards are integral to supporting community participation and providing a single coordinated approach to governance for local communities, reflecting statutory and regulatory requirements. The Boards continue to develop in a manner consistent with influencing and delivering the Plan for North Lanarkshire outcomes at local level. This is being driven through the Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs) for each of the nine areas, ensuring a partnership focus on supporting service design, delivery and community action reflecting both the ambitions within The Plan for North Lanarkshire and the priorities and circumstances of individual areas. The LOIPs are published on the North Lanarkshire Council website and were circulated to all Community Boards.
- 1.3 The monitoring and management framework for the delivery of the LOIPs is in place and operational along with supporting partnership delivery approach through the establishment of Local Partnership Teams. This is being used to inform reporting to Committee, the North Lanarkshire Partnership (NLP) Strategic Leadership Board and individual Community Boards. A separate LOIP update is provided to the Communities Committee and the NLP Strategic Leadership Board on a 6 monthly basis providing a snapshot of highlights and future priorities for each of the board areas and a detailed progress report is submitted to each of the 9 Community Boards annually.
- 1.4 The fourteenth cycle of Board meetings has now taken place and an example of an agenda is included in Appendix 1.

Table 1 – Cycle 14 Community Board Meetings

Area	Meeting Date & Time	Location
Shotts	20/02/2024 at 6.30pm	Allanton Community Centre
Northern Corridor	21/02/2024 at 7.00pm	Chryston Cultural Centre
Coatbridge	22/02/2024 at 6.30pm	Coatbridge Community Centre
Cumbernauld	27/02/2024 at 6.30pm	Online via Teams
Kilsyth & Villages	28/02/2024 at 6.30pm	Online via Teams
Wishaw	29/02/2024 at 6.30pm	Online via Teams
Airdrie	6/03/2024 at 6.30pm	Clarkston Primary School
Bellshill	7/03/2024 at 6.30pm	Salvation Army Hall
Motherwell	12/03/2024 at 6.30pm	Online via Teams

2. Report

Community Boards – Cycle 14

Representation at Community Board Meetings

- 2.1 At the fourteenth cycle of Community Board meetings, attendance reflected a good mixture of partners, elected members, community groups and local people at all Board meetings. Approximately 215 people attended the fourteenth cycle of meetings with 61 community organisations and 76 community representatives in attendance. In addition, 12 individual local people attended Board meetings.
- 2.2 A broader range of community representation is generally in evidence at Community Board meetings. Ten new organisations attended Community Boards in Cycle 14.
- 2.3 The categories of participants in Cycle 14 Community Boards are as set out in Table 2 below:

Table 2 - Participants (Cycle 14)

Participants at Community Boards (Cycle 14)	
Community Councils	Tenants and Residents Associations
Historical/Cultural Groups	Community Forums
MSYP/Youth Fora	Police Scotland
Scottish Fire & Rescue	NHS Lanarkshire
Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire	NL Disability Access Panel
Elected Members	Council Officers
Faith Groups	Parent Councils (TBC)
Local people/residents	Voice of Experience Forum
Community Organisations	African Collaborative

Participation in meetings

- 2.4 Work is continuing by all Community Planning Partners to encourage wider representation at Community Board meetings. Meeting information is circulated across social media channels including NLC website and My Town pages, via posters circulated to Community Board members and local groups and organisations for wider local circulation; to Community Councils and Tenants and Residents Associations and wider networks to raise awareness about Community Board meetings. All Community Planning Partners, Elected Members, and Board members have responsibility for encouraging wider participation at Board meetings and for using information from wider engagement activity through LOIP subgroups and community networks to represent the views of the wider community as appropriate.

- 2.5 There was an increase in participation at this cycle of Board meetings overall in comparison to the previous cycle in November/December 2023. There was marked increase in the number of Community Groups represented for example, in the number of Tenants and Residents associations, Community Councils and older groups represented. It is important to note that community group attendees represent a cross-section of views from a large number of people who engage with these groups.

Agenda items

- 2.6 During Cycle 14, eight out of nine Community Boards had agenda items put forward by community groups and organisations in advance of Board meetings. Examples of agenda items put forward included: Car parking enforcement and Vision for the Northern Corridor; school staffing transfers and council budgets in Kilsyth; Strategic Leadership Review and community engagement in Cumbernauld; Body in the Bog and budget update in Wishaw; Town Action Plan and pavement parking in Bellshill and Community Matters e-mails in Shotts.
- 2.7 In addition to the agenda items above, local community groups provided updates in some Boards, for example Kirkshaws Neighbourhood Centre and Airdrie School Uniform Bank Kings Award for voluntary services, Pet Pantry and Newarthill Community Council.
- 2.8 Council officers were also asked to attend or provide updates to Board meetings in response to agenda items and issues raised by community representatives. Council and Community Planning Partnership Partners will continue to be invited to attend in relation to specific agenda items raised. External organisations are also invited to attend Board meetings in response to agenda items raised by communities as required. An example of this is an update at the Bellshill Community Board related to the Belziehill junction.

Opportunities to provide updates and share views

- 2.9 As previously reported, all Community Boards endorsed Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs) which have been published and can be accessed via this [link](#). Community Board agendas are now organised around LOIP priorities and updates from communities and partner agencies are linked to priorities where possible to ensure clear focus on progress towards achieving actions to address the key priorities that were identified by local communities. Local people can also raise ad hoc issues or share local information through the Community Matters section of the agenda.
- 2.10 Positive progress continues to be made with subgroups meeting to progress agreed actions to address local priorities where this is the most appropriate mechanism. Work is ongoing and meetings are taking place and scheduled with local community groups and organisations to further develop subgroups.
- 2.11 There was a request previously from elected members to provide further update on targeted action priorities and provide more detail around key actions raised at Community Boards. The previous report highlighted some examples of targeted actions that have been carried out following identification of need through Community Boards. This report provides a further update on the projects that were identified in the previous report from Northern Corridor, Kilsyth and Cumbernauld and some further examples from Wishaw, Shotts, and Motherwell Community Board areas. Further details are included in short case studies within Appendix 2.

Special Board Meetings

- 2.12 No special Board meetings were requested at this round of community boards; however, Kilsyth and Villages board requested a meeting with Education to discuss issues around teacher appointments.

Community Board Local Development Programme (LDP) Projects

- 2.13 As previously reported, community organisations requested a positional statement regarding outstanding Local Development Programme projects. The LDP report continues to be split by Community Board area, and detailing the status of projects, was circulated in advance of Cycle 14 board meetings. The project proposal form identified in previous reports to committee, continues to be utilised to record LDP project ideas and suggestions put forward from local communities. LDP continues to be a set item on the agenda at all Community Board meetings and is subject to a separate report to this committee.

Involving Communities

- 2.14 Cycle 14 meetings saw continued involvement of seldom heard voices in Community Board meetings. The Community Partnership team will continue as a priority to proactively work with local community groups and people with lived experience to support this objective. Work is ongoing with youth groups to encourage them to provide a presentation/update to Community Boards. Further information will be provided in due course.

Our Lives – An exploration of the lived experiences of North Lanarkshire's

- 2.15 Black, Asian, and other Minority Ethnic People

As reported previously, the Our Lives Research exploring the lived experiences of North Lanarkshire's Black, Asian and other Minority Ethnic people and responses from our community planning, and other partners, have been published on the council website.

The work to feedback the results of the Our Lives Research has been taking place across the different BAME communities since November 2023.

- 2.16 The SLB Lead Officers Group has been working with representatives from each of the minority ethnic communities to arrange bespoke feedback sessions, including a BAME women only session. Engagement on the specific issues the research highlighted, for each of the communities, has been the focus of the events with an emphasis on the need for partnership working if we are to effectively address the issues the research highlighted.
- 2.17 A presentation on the Our Lives research findings was also provided to eleven Community Board representatives at a specially arranged meeting in February 2024. The purpose of the presentation was to:
- Ensure Community Boards understand the needs and the issues affecting our Black, Asian, and other Minority Ethnic communities.
 - Inform the work and decisions of the Boards; and
 - Improve ongoing engagement and dialogue with our BAME communities.

Moving Forward

2.18 Community Board Chairs

In cycle 14, 8 out of the 9 meetings were chaired by community representatives. Shotts Community Board was chaired by the Community Coordinator as no community representative has come forward to take on this role.

Community Board Development Programme

2.19 As previously reported, the council's Talent and Organisational Development (TOD) team in conjunction with the Community Partnership Team have created an online portal offering all Community Board members access to a wide variety of learning resources with a focus on the key requirements identified in the Training Needs Analysis previously undertaken with board members. The resources are always available on the portal and are accessible from any device. The resource has been developed to offer a blended learning experience, reaching out to a range of learning styles.

2.20 A full review of the Community Board Portal and its contents is scheduled for late March to ensure all the resources are still available, up-to-date, and fit for purpose. There are currently 128 registered members with 68 having accessed the site.

An e-learning module (Understanding Domestic Abuse) has recently been added within the Community Safety area under the LOIPs section on the hub.

2.21 The TOD team have recently recirculated communication to all registered members highlighting resources available, along with a direct link to the login page. The TOD team will also encourage members who aren't registered on LearnNL to get in touch so they can arrange login details.

The Role of Chief Officers as Community Coordinators

2.22 As previously reported, Community Coordinators are in place and attending their designated Community Board Meetings. Community Coordinator updates continue to be a standing item on all Community Board agendas as well as participation in discussion relating to a range of local matters. Community Coordinators meet with key senior partners between Board cycles to discuss common matters, any leadership action required, and to collectively consider input to future meetings.

Future Board Meetings

2.23 The next cycle of Community Board meetings will be held in May/June 2024. Following consultation, with community group representatives and elected members who attend Community Boards it was identified that most Boards preferred a mix of online and face-to-face meetings moving forward and during cycle 14, 5 Board meetings took place face-to-face in Community Facilities and 4 took place online via Microsoft Teams.

Cycle 15 meeting dates are set out in Table 3 below.

Table 3 – Community Board Meeting Dates (Cycle 15)

Community Board	Day	Date
Shotts	Tuesday	21/05/2024
Northern Corridor	Wednesday	22/05/2024
Coatbridge	Thursday	23/05/2024
Cumbernauld	Tuesday	28/05/2024
Kilsyth & Villages	Wednesday	29/05/2024
Wishaw	Thursday	30/05/2024
Airdrie	Wednesday	05/06/2024
Bellshill	Thursday	06/06/2024
Motherwell	Tuesday	11/06/2023

Local Outcome Improvement Plans – Partnership Delivery, Monitoring, and Management Framework


- 2.24 As previously reported, the online LOIP monitoring, and evaluation framework is in place. This management tool is being used by community planning partners to ensure that progress towards addressing key priorities that were agreed with local communities is monitored, recorded, and reported.

3. Measures of success

- 3.1 Delivery of LOIP outcomes and increased levels of engagement with local communities and partners, resulting in generally positive impacts on communities across a variety of priorities and key issues identified through effective locality planning and the implementation of the Community Boards, particularly in areas where further consultation has been required.

4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 Appendix 1 – Example of Cycle 14 Community Board Agenda.
4.2 Appendix 2 - Targeted Action Case Studies



Stephen Penman
Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)

5. Impacts

<p>5.1 Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty Does the report contain information that has an impact as a result of the Public Sector Equality Duty and/or Fairer Scotland Duty? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p> <p>If Yes, has an assessment been carried out and published on the council's website? https://www.northlanarkshire.gov.uk/your-community/equalities/equality-and-fairer-scotland-duty-impact-assessments Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5.2 Financial impact Does the report contain any financial impacts? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant financial impacts been discussed and agreed with Finance? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.3 HR policy impact Does the report contain any HR policy or procedure impacts? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant HR impacts been discussed and agreed with People Resources? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.4 Legal impact Does the report contain any legal impacts (such as general legal matters, statutory considerations (including employment law considerations), or new legislation)? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, have all relevant legal impacts been discussed and agreed with Legal and Democratic? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.5 Data protection impact Does the report / project / practice contain or involve the processing of personal data? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, is the processing of this personal data likely to result in a high risk to the data subject? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> If Yes, has a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA) been carried out and e-mailed to dataprotection@northlan.gov.uk Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5.6 Technology / Digital impact Does the report contain information that has an impact on either technology, digital transformation, service redesign / business change processes, data management, or connectivity / broadband / Wi-Fi? Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>

	<p>Where the impact identifies a requirement for significant technology change, has an assessment been carried out (or is scheduled to be carried out) by the Enterprise Architecture Governance Group (EAGG)?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>5.7</p>	<p>Environmental / Carbon impact</p> <p>Does the report / project / practice contain information that has an impact on any environmental or carbon matters?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.8</p>	<p>Communications impact</p> <p>Does the report contain any information that has an impact on the council's communications activities?</p> <p>Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact?</p>
<p>5.9</p>	<p>Risk impact</p> <p>Is there a risk impact?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the key risks and potential impacts, highlighting where the risk(s) are assessed and recorded (e.g. Corporate or Service or Project Risk Registers), and how they are managed?</p>
<p>5.10</p>	<p>Armed Forces Covenant Duty</p> <p>Does the report require to take due regard of the Armed Forces Covenant Duty (i.e. does it relate to healthcare, housing, or education services for in-Service or ex-Service personnel, or their families, or widow(er)s)?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the provision which has been made to ensure there has been appropriate consideration of the particular needs of the Armed Forces community to make sure that they do not face disadvantage compared to other citizens in the provision of public services.</p>
<p>5.11</p>	<p>Children's rights and wellbeing impact</p> <p>Does the report contain any information regarding any council activity, service delivery, policy, or plan that has an impact on children and young people up to the age of 18, or on a specific group of these?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>If Yes, please provide a brief summary of the impact and the provision that has been made to ensure there has been appropriate consideration of the relevant Articles from the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC).</p> <p>If Yes, has a Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact Assessment (CRWIA) been carried out?</p> <p>Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/></p>

Community Board Agenda (Cycle 14)

AGENDA (example)

1. **Welcome and Introduction:**
 - VANL to record the minutes of Board meetings.
2. **Apologies**
3. **Minute of previous meeting and matters arising**
4. **Local priorities** Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) updates:
 - Local priorities for each Community Board Area
 - Digital IT Strategy presentation
 - Local partner updates from Police Scotland and Scottish Fire & Rescue Service, NHSL, VANL related to LOIP priorities.
5. **Community Matters**
6. **Local engagement/investment**
 - Local engagement/consultation
 - Funding opportunities
7. **Standing agenda items**
 - Community Coordinator update
 - Local Development Programme (LDP) update
8. **AOCB**
9. **Date and time of next meeting**

Targeted Action Case Studies

Motherwell: Young people's exploitation and contextual safeguarding

Motherwell Community Board received a briefing session on Contextual Safeguarding delivered by Social Work staff in response to contextual safeguarding issues being identified in the local community.

There was a need identified to develop a partnership response to young people's exploitation and a group was developed bringing together representatives from the Police, Anti-social response team, CLD, Social Work and Tenant Participation.

Engagement was undertaken with two local primary schools, the local playgroup, and a local Tenants and Resident Association. Elected members provided information about community contacts that may wish to be involved. Discussions took place with the Health Improvement team, and community groups such as FAMS and Motherwell Health and Wellness hub, to raise awareness and provide some understanding about young people's exploitation and contextual safeguarding issues being raised locally.

As part of the response, a short-term deployable CCTV camera was installed to assist in identification of any potential contextual safeguarding issues. This provided evidence of need for a static CCTV camera in a particular area in Motherwell.

To further engage with young people through local primary schools, a PB process was developed whereby young people were able to develop projects within the school with the whole school voting on the projects identified by young people. Funding of £3,000 pounds was identified through Community Benefit to support projects. Three successful projects included: Playground improvements, a musical group, and a reading nook to support reading with the school as they thrive to become a reading school.

A further Community fun event was organised where an exercise was used to map out the area to identify any projects the local community wished to progress to improve the local area with eight ideas being identified.

Wishaw: Targeted Action Newmains

Newmains area and outlying villages were initially identified as a place of priority through SIMD data from the Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation 2020, indicating that it fell within the highest percentage of the most deprived in Wishaw and Murdostoun and a Place Standards Your Place survey was undertaken in Newmains in August 2020.

NLC and Community Partners are working together to improve quality and access to facilities in and around Newmains. The survey formed part of focused engagement in the area and provided baseline information to encourage future conversations with the community and other stakeholders on place, and in turn help inform how we work together to enhance and improve the way we view, use, and develop the local spaces in Newmains.

Newmains Community Trust (NCT) was developed and is a key Anchor Organisation supporting Newmains community. Both NCT and Newmains Community Council participate in Wishaw Community Board. The Community Partnership Team (CPT) oversee planned improvements in Newmains, including a brand-new Play Area, and Welcome Wall/signage, supported by Local Development Programme funding which will be completed in 2024. It

should also be noted that the new Newmains & St Brigid's Community Hub completed in 2023 is a huge investment in the area.

The CPT were approached by Newmains Community Council with further suggestions from the community for developments and a walkabout took place with representatives of the Community Council, CPT, and Elected Members. Following consultation with local people and the NCT, it was agreed to develop a Community Action Plan for Newmains. A smaller subgroup of the Wishaw Community Engagement subgroup was created and tasked with the development of this Action Plan.

Through partnership working between the NCT and Newmains Community Council with the support of the Community Partnership Team, two successful funding applications have been secured providing a total of £2,000 for groups and partners to work together to plan and host Community Engagement Events over spring/summer of 2024. The purpose of these events will be to gather the views of local people to directly inform the Newmains Community Action Plan. The Action Plan will link directly to the LOIP priorities for Wishaw and the Plan for North Lanarkshire and aim to improve the local area of Newmains and the lives of its community.

Shotts: Place Standard Community Engagement Events

Place Standards community engagement events were funded by Public Health Scotland and were delivered by the local Community Partnership Team supported by local anchor organisation Getting Better Together Shotts.

Three community engagement events took place in Harthill, Shotts and Salsburgh using the Tool. The aim of which was to gather intelligence and data that would enhance localised decision making and to correlate this data with the [Shotts Local Outcome Improvement Plan](#) and other community planning processes.

The events were publicised through electronic posters and flyers that were designed and promoted the event throughout the Fortissat ward area and circulated to Community Board members. The Community Partnership Team engaged in a leaflet drop within each of the three communities to enhance local people's information and participation. The events were discussed at the Shotts Community Board and publicity was shared on some community members and community organisations social media channels.

The events provided an opportunity for dialogue around a range of community issues and aspirations enabling local people to have an opportunity to have their voices heard and this was valued by each community.

A range of themes were identified from the three events, and information gathered will inform local community planning and support the delivery of the Shotts Local Outcome Improvement Plan. Themes identified included, Public Transport, Active Travel, Communication, Decision Making and Community Involvement.

An online survey monkey was also created and was promoted widely across the Fortissat ward area to enable people to have their voice heard if they were not able to attend the engagement events and 88% of those who completed the survey stated that they were interested in being more involved in their community and having a say in the decisions that affect it.

The opportunity to deliver the place standard tool has been a worthwhile opportunity and the learning will be utilised by the local Community Partnership Team moving forward.

Northern Corridor: Targeted Action – Moodiesburn (Update)

As reported previously, Moodiesburn West area was initially identified as a place priority by Northern Corridor Community Board. The lack of a community anchor organisation was addressed by the creation of Moodiesburn Community Action Group who, through community consultation, determined that the wider Moodiesburn area should be the focus of this LOIP priority. The membership of this group continues to increase, and a range of actions have been identified and progressed following the creation of the LOIP subgroup and local Community Anchor organisation.

The Action Group has been working with the Community Partnership Team (CPT) and elected members to identify local issues/potential projects and following the Community Listening Event that took place at the Pivot centre, further projects have been proposed including the need for a play area near St Michael's Primary School and a Christmas tree project at the Pivot Centre. In addition, following consultation with young people and residents, the final site for a wheeled sports facility at Kelvin Drive was confirmed, and a contractor has been appointed with work due to commence in Spring 2024.

Proposals for LDP funding for these new projects were approved in principle at the recent Community Board meeting (pending funding availability) and additional community consultation will be carried out by the Community Partnership Team and Moodiesburn Community Action group to gauge wider community views, and further promote the work of the group within the Moodiesburn area.

Kilsyth & Villages: Targeted Action with Identified Communities (Update)

Northfield and Rennie Road areas were identified as this area did not have a community anchor organisation to represent the views of local people. The Community Partnership Team, Tenant Participation Team and local elected members continue to support local people from Rennie Road and Northfield areas to progress the development of Rennie Road/Northfield Tenants and residents Association.

The inaugural meeting of the Tenants and Residents Association took place in January 2024 with office bearers and Committee members being elected. Although at an early stage of development, this organisation will assist the local community to raise local issues and to identify and progress local projects for the area.

Partnership work also continues to take place with local community organisations and groups to develop opportunities for targeted communities within the Community Board area. Following engagement with Kirklands, Bogside and Barrie Place Tenants and Residents Association and consultation with children within two local primary schools and residents, an upgrade at Bogside Play Park has been agreed and is planned to take place during spring 2024.

Cumbernauld: Targeted Action – Information Events

Feedback from Challenge Poverty Week Events that took place in October/November 2023) in Abronhill, Carbrain and Kildrum identified that there was a need for further Community Information Events to be delivered within priority areas.

In response, Cumbernauld Food and Financial Insecurity Subgroup has set up a Working Group of members to plan, organise, and deliver Information events this time targeting Families with Children. A range of organisations have been invited to participate in the planning group including the Pet Pantry, Kildrum Community Council, Cornerstone House, Cumbernauld Poverty Action, and Abronhill Regeneration Group.

These family friendly events are being planned and will take place in April 2024 in local venues. Funding has been secured through NLC to provide soup packs with a recipe that will be available for local people at the events. A range of organisations are being contacted to provide information and support for local people.

North Lanarkshire Council Report

Communities Committee

Does this report require to be approved?

☐ Yes ☒ No

Ref JMcK/CPT

Date

29/04/24

Contracts awarded below Committee approval threshold

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Executive Summary

In accordance with the Council's [General Contract Standing Orders \("GCSOs"\)](#), GCSO 21.10 requires a summary report be presented to members with details of contracts awarded since last committee, specifically for the spend range:

- over £50,000 but below £500,000 for supplies or services; and,
- over £500,000 but below £2,000,000 for works.

Recommendations

It is recommended that the Communities Committee:

- (1) Acknowledge the contract awards made since last committee reporting cycle.

The Plan for North Lanarkshire

Priority All priorities

Ambition statement All ambition statements

Programme of Work All Programmes of Work

1. Background

- 1.1 The Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973 section 81 requires local authorities to “...make standing orders with respect to the making by them or on their behalf of contracts for the supply of goods or materials or for the execution of works.”.
- 1.2 The Council's [General Contract Standing Orders \(“GCSOs”\)](#) set out the council's specific procurement procedures and responsibilities at all spend levels, and include the reporting requirements of procurement activity, including contracts awards, to committee for either approval or acknowledgement.
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2. Report

- 2.1 In accordance with GCSO 21.10, this report summarises the contract awards since last committee, specifically for the spend range:
- over £50,000 but below £500,000 for supplies or services; and,
 - over £500,000 but below £2,000,000 for works.
- 2.2 If you require further information regards the contract awards reported, please refer to the lead service area / Chief Officer detailed in the appendix.
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3. Measures of success

- 3.1 All requirements contracted contribute to either the council's programme of work and/or fulfil a statutory requirement.
- 3.2 All contract awards secure best value for the council in accordance with their evaluation criteria.
- 3.3 All necessary diligence has been undertaken in the evaluation and appointment of contractors.
- 3.4 All contract awards are logged in the council's contract register.
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4. Supporting documentation

- 4.1 Appendix 1 – Summary of contracts awarded.

James McKinstry
Chief Officer (Assets and Procurement)

5. Impacts

- 5.1 Impacts considered as part of the contract award procedures are recorded in the individual contract award reports held by the lead service area.

Appendix 1 – Summary of Contracts Awarded

Contract	Ref	NLC-CPT-23-065				
	Title	Design, Supply and Build Play Areas 2023 - P5. Roman Road and Kirkwood Junior				
	Classification	Services				
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer	Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)				
Competition	Governance by Value	The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council’s GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks				
	Procurement Route	Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework				
	No. of Framework Contractors	10				
	No. of Bids Received	6				
	Award Criteria	Most Economically Advantageous Tender				
	Evaluation Scores – Successful	90.00%				
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful	45.00%-80.00%				
Award Details	Value	£200,000				
	Contract Duration	7				
	Contractor Name	Proludic Ltd				
	Contractor Size	SME				
	Contractor Location	Leicestershire				
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?	Yes				
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?	No				
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	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Communications Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer					

Contract	Ref	NLC-CPT-23-066				
	Title	Design, Supply and Build Play Areas 2023 - P6. Plains Outdoor Gym and Overton Outdoor Gym				
	Classification	Services				
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer	Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)				
Competition	Governance by Value	The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council's GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks				
	Procurement Route	Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework				
	No. of Framework Contractors	10				
	No. of Bids Received	3				
	Award Criteria	Most Economically Advantageous Tender				
	Evaluation Scores – Successful	72.00%				
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful	60.00% (2 bids scored this value)				
Award Details	Value	£80,000				
	Contract Duration	7				
	Contractor Name	Proludic Ltd				
	Contractor Size	SME				
	Contractor Location	Leicestershire				
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?	Yes				
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?	No				
Impacts <i>this section highlights which impacts were considered for this contract award procedure</i>	Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	HR Policy Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Data Protection Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Environment / Carbon Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Risk Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Children's Rights and Wellbeing Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Communications Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer					

Contract	Ref		NLC-CPT-23-061									
	Title		Design, Supply and Build Play Areas 2023 - P1. Gartleahill and Craigneuk									
	Classification		Services									
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer		Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)									
Competition	Governance by Value		The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council’s GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks									
	Procurement Route		Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework									
	No. of Framework Contractors		10									
	No. of Bids Received		3									
	Award Criteria		Most Economically Advantageous Tender									
	Evaluation Scores – Successful		80.00%									
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful		65.00%-67.00%									
Award Details	Value		£189,619.75									
	Contract Duration		7									
	Contractor Name		Kompan Scotland Ltd									
	Contractor Size		SME									
	Contractor Location		West Lothian									
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?		Yes									
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?		No									
Impacts <i>this section highlights which impacts were considered for this contract award procedure</i>	Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty <input type="checkbox"/>		HR Policy Impact <input type="checkbox"/>		Data Protection Impact <input type="checkbox"/>		Environment / Carbon Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Risk Impact <input type="checkbox"/>		Children’s Rights and Wellbeing Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>		Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>		Communications Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>			
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer											

Contract	Ref	NLC-CPT-23-063				
	Title	Design, Supply and Build Play Areas 2023 - P3. Bogside Park and Lochside, Gartcosh				
	Classification	Services				
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer	Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)				
Competition	Governance by Value	The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council’s GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks				
	Procurement Route	Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework				
	No. of Framework Contractors	10				
	No. of Bids Received	2				
	Award Criteria	Most Economically Advantageous Tender				
	Evaluation Scores – Successful	80.00%				
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful	60.00%				
Award Details	Value	£169,998.57				
	Contract Duration	7				
	Contractor Name	Kompan Scotland Ltd				
	Contractor Size	SME				
	Contractor Location	West Lothian				
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?	Yes				
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?	No				
Impacts <i>this section highlights which impacts were considered for this contract award procedure</i>	Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	HR Policy Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Data Protection Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Environment / Carbon Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Risk Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Children’s Rights and Wellbeing Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Communications Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer					

Contract	Ref		NLC-CPT-23-064			
	Title		Design, Supply and Build Play Areas 2023 - P4. Lyman Drive and King George V, Wishaw			
	Classification		Services			
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer		Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)			
Competition	Governance by Value		The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council’s GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks			
	Procurement Route		Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework			
	No. of Framework Contractors		10			
	No. of Bids Received		2			
	Award Criteria		Most Economically Advantageous Tender			
	Evaluation Scores – Successful		80.00%			
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful		60.00%			
Award Details	Value		£189,936.90			
	Contract Duration		7			
	Contractor Name		Kompan Scotland Ltd			
	Contractor Size		SME			
	Contractor Location		West Lothian			
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?		Yes			
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?		No			
Impacts <i>this section highlights which impacts were considered for this contract award procedure</i>	Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty ☐	HR Policy Impact ☐	Data Protection Impact ☐	Environment / Carbon Impact ☒	Risk Impact ☐	Children’s Rights and Wellbeing Impact ☒
	Financial Impact ☒	Legal Impact ☐	Technology / Digital Impact ☐	Communications Impact ☒	Armed Forces Covenant Duty ☐	
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer					

Contract	Ref		NLC-CPT-23-067				
	Title		Design, Supply and Build MUGAs 2023 - P7. Rosevale Crescent/Calder Park and Frankfield Road				
	Classification		Services				
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer		Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)				
Competition	Governance by Value		The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council’s GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks				
	Procurement Route		Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework				
	No. of Framework Contractors		10				
	No. of Bids Received		1				
	Award Criteria		Most Economically Advantageous Tender				
	Evaluation Scores – Successful		80.00%				
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful		Not applicable				
	Comments		Only one bid received; this was evaluated as acceptable and compliant with the council requirements.				
Award Details	Value		£259,435.23				
	Contract Duration		7				
	Contractor Name		Kompan Scotland Ltd				
	Contractor Size		SME				
	Contractor Location		West Lothian				
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?		Yes				
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?		No				
Impacts <i>this section highlights which impacts were considered for this contract award procedure</i>	Public Sector Equality Duty and Fairer Scotland Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	HR Policy Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Data Protection Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Environment / Carbon Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Risk Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Children’s Rights and Wellbeing Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Communications Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>		
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer						

Contract	Ref	NLC-CPT-23-062				
	Title	Design, Supply and Build Play Areas 2023 - P2. Keniburn Avenue and Baird's Avenue				
	Classification	Services				
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer	Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)				
Competition	Governance by Value	The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council's GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks				
	Procurement Route	Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework				
	No. of Framework Contractors	10				
	No. of Bids Received	2				
	Award Criteria	Most Economically Advantageous Tender				
	Evaluation Scores – Successful	80.00%				
	Evaluation Scores – Unsuccessful	67.00%				
Award Details	Value	£99,578.00				
	Contract Duration	7				
	Contractor Name	Hags SMP Ltd				
	Contractor Size	SME				
	Contractor Location	Runnymede Borough				
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?	Yes				
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?	No				
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	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Communications Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer					

Contract	Ref	NLC-CPT-23-068				
	Title	Design, Supply and Build Wheeled Sports Area 2023 - P8. Kelvin Drive				
	Classification	Services				
	Lead Service Area / Chief Officer	Stephen Penman, Chief Officer (Strategic Communication and Engagement)				
Competition	Governance by Value	The Framework terms & conditions, with adherence to the council's GCSO 13 on 3rd party frameworks				
	Procurement Route	Call-off following Mini Competition using Third Party Framework				
	No. of Framework Contractors	1				
	No. of Bids Received	1				
	Award Criteria	Most Economically Advantageous Tender				
	Evaluation Scores – Successful	80.00%				
	Comments	This is a specialist lot and the Framework only has a single Contractor. A proposal was requested for the requirement and the bid received as evaluated and deemed acceptable and compliant with the council requirements.				
Award Details	Value	£133,000.00				
	Contract Duration	7				
	Contractor Name	Bendcrete Leisure Ltd				
	Contractor Size	SME				
	Contractor Location	Tameside Metropolitan Borough				
	Status - Payment of Living Wage?	Yes				
	Status - Living Wage Accredited?	No				
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	Financial Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Legal Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Technology / Digital Impact <input type="checkbox"/>	Communications Impact <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Armed Forces Covenant Duty <input type="checkbox"/>	
	Further details regarding these impacts can be obtained from the Lead Service Area / Chief Officer					