

Cumnock Action Plan, Board Meeting

Tuesday 7th March 2017

Yipworld, Barrhill Road Cumnock 6.30pm

Present: Peter Black, Neil Given, Bobby Grierson, Donald McVicar, Janice Hendrie, Lynne Jeffrey, Helen Ng, Jessie Owens, Eddie Rutherford, John Senior & Irene Smith

In attendance: Shaun Lowrie, Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland, Ciss McCreadie, EA Vibrant Communities, Phil Prentice, Scotland's Towns Partnership

Agenda Item	Communication	Action/When
1.	Welcome & Apologies: PB welcomed all in attendance. Apologies: Alexa Scott Minutes: IS	
2.	Guests: Phil Prentice apologised to the Group for the details/content in the article published in the national newspaper. He delivered a short presentation around the background and development of his remit. He gave information around the concept behind the idea of an "off-grid" town and the potential opportunities for Cumnock to become the first Off-Grid Energy Efficient and Green Town. He emphasised how CAP would play a significant and leading role in the future of any Pilot. He covered committed funders waiting to become involved and numerous agencies willing to provide support and the benefits of any potential project. Phil indicated funding would be available to employ someone to support the process. Phil asked the group if they felt it was a feasible proposition to progress with the proposal. The group recognised the opportunities but agreed more information in a detailed plan is required.	
3.	Minutes of Last & Previous Meeting: Meeting 10th January Proposed: Bobby Seconded: Alexa Meeting 7th February Approved as accurate, although meeting was not quorate. Proposed: Bobby Seconded: Neil	
4.	Matters Arising: <ul style="list-style-type: none">Vacant chair position, Peter indicated he was not particularly attracted to this post, Shaun suggested a rolling chair. The general idea was to organise a meeting but after checking the constitution the board can exercise all the powers of the members. Nominations for chair, Peter proposed Neil and John seconded. Jessie proposed Janice and Irene seconded. The outcome of an anonymous vote resulted in Janice voted on as	

	chair, Lynne volunteered as Treasurer, Donald proposed and Jessie seconded. Irene will pick up the minutes.	
5.	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Agenda paper 1 - Allan Gray - resignation. It was agreed the group will send Allan a letter. • Agenda paper 3 - Email Ruth Sutherland "Sustainable Cumnock Pilot" • Agenda paper 4 - Email Shaun Lowrie "Being a Scottish Charity" • Yip invite to the One Big Celebration awards ceremony, at the Dumfries Arms Hotel on Monday 20th March 2017 18.30 - 20.30. It is an opportunity for kids who are participating to celebrate their success with their family. Allan Wood, Head of Education will present the certificates on the night. Jessie will attend the event. 	<p>Bobby</p> <p>Jessie</p>
6.	<p>Table Items not on the Agenda:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Eden Project update on the weekend visit 3rd - 6th Feb 2017. the event was attended by different community groups and volunteers covering various projects. Including a Glasgow group set up to improve and maintain a local park. There were talks on loneliness and the importance of inclusion from new mothers to the older generation. How alternative therapy has been used to support people with mental health issues or physical disabilities. • Seminars attended were Supporting people using gardening and therapy. • Neighbourhood approaches to loneliness. • Show me the money (fundraising) • Supporting people using gardening and therapy • Community arts • String theory engaging with younger people • Health Community Foods • Inclusive Communities engaging with older people <p>The main benefits of the weekend were meeting people determined to make a difference in their communities.</p> <p>The Big Lunch is planned for 18th June 2017 to honour Jo Cox by asking people to create the biggest street party since the Jubilee sending the message there is more that unites us than divides us.</p> <p>Bobby advised there is an opening to request funding for the next event.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cumnock Academy Parent Council were provided with an update of the plan and the Heads of Departments reviewed the plan to see what they can tie into. Angus McVake requested a copy of the spreadsheets. 	<p>John & Lynne</p> <p>Bobby</p> <p>Bobby & John</p> <p>Jessie</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Action Plan Forum update was attended by Bobby and John and advised the main topic for the future is the production of a newsletter. Cumnock Community Council Update, Jessie advised the open day for the new school plans was a good success. Participatory Budgeting Neil and Helen advised more than half the applications got funding. Alexa received funding towards the Cumnock Events Brochure. The event provided a good network opportunity with groups and contacts. Project Management Training in Glasgow was attended by Bobby, Helen and Mhairi. 	
7.	<p>Governance & Finance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> SCIO outcome should be returned around the end of April Janice to submit the current financial report which is the same as per last report. Janice advised outstanding forms are still preventing the bank account from being progressed. It was agreed to proceed with the current forms. Janice will forward to Bobby then hand over to Lynne. Public Liability for future events, still outstanding Bobby, Janice and Lynne to progress. The lack of courtesy apologies and non attendance at meetings was raised, it was agreed a gentle reminder email will be sent to all group members by Bobby. 	Bobby Janice Lynne
8.	<p>Press & Publicity: Site: 574 users, 1434 page views since 1 Dec. Top 5 pages. Home 472; What's On 208; Com Dir 77; Bus Dir 75; About Cap 68.</p> <p>Facebook: Last 28 days. Reach 5,713; Page Views 197; Post engagement 1,896 Facebook, Neil will continue to update the page but has not had the time for the website. Ciss will facilitate the volunteer to help with the website.</p>	Bobby Ciss
9.	<p>Action Group Monitoring & Forward Planning</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Theme 1 Outdoor Activities & Open Spaces - Neil Agenda paper 2 - verbal summary given and the previous information in relation to the Woodroad Regeneration maybe possible to use as a lot of work has already been done, Shaun maybe able to source. Ciss will also resend the Central Green Network information. Theme 2 Local Economy - Janice Business Association meeting 16th Feb 2017 CVO moving in to the vacant new unit, Sharon Hodgson will meet with Fiona Fawdry with still some unanswered questions around this. Disappointment over the hoardings with the possibility around some tasteful art work for future of Cumnock, also safety concerns were raised as an issue. Car parking posing a problem on Townhead Street. Butcher shop opening soon next to Greggs. Discussion regarding re-evaluation of business rates. A meet the buyer event suggested. Roz the new Town Centre Manager will 	Shaun & Ciss

	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yipworld has signed up to the Childrens University pilot through UWS.	
12.	Date of Next Meeting Tuesday 28th March 2017, Yipworld, Barrhill Road, Cumnock @ 6.30pm	

CAP Meeting Attendance Tracker

Name	10/01/17	07/02/17	07/03/17	28/03/17	02/05/17	06/06/17
Eric Bennett (EB)	X	X	X			
Peter Black (PB)	X	√	√			
Neil Given (NG)	√	√	√			
Carrie Graham (CG)	X	X	X			
Allan Gray (AG)	√	X	Resigned			
Bobby Grierson (BG)	√	√	√			
Mandy Harrison (MH)	X	X	X			
Janice Hendry(JH)	√	X	√			
Lynne Jeffrey (LJ)	√	X	√			
Mhairi McWilliam (MM)	X	X	X			
Donald McVicar (DM)	√	√	√			
Helen Ng(HN)	√	X	√			
Jessie Owens (JO)	√	X	√			
Scott Riddex(SR)	X	X	X			
Eddie Rutherford(ER)	√	X	√			
Alexa Scott (AS)	√	√	X			
John Senior (JS)	√	√	√			
Irene Smith(IS)	√	√	√			

Name	27/06/17	01/08/17	05/09/17	03/10/17	07/11/17	05/12/17
Eric Bennett (EB)						
Peter Black (PB)						
Neil Given (NG)						
Carrie Graham (CG)						
Bobby Grierson (BG)						
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