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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Inverclyde Alliance Board</b>	<b>Date:</b> 14 December 2015
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>SOA 7 Environment Outcome Delivery Plan</b>	

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## **1.0 PURPOSE**

1.1 The purpose of this report is to present to the Alliance Board the new SOA 7 Environment Outcome Delivery Plan.

## **2.0 SUMMARY**

- 2.1 The Environment Outcome Delivery Group (ODG) reviewed its Outcome Delivery Plan over the summer months in order to refocus effort on partnership actions that deliver community planning priorities and that add value to the work which is already being delivered. On this basis, several of the existing actions were dropped from the plan and new actions identified.
- 2.2 The new Outcome Delivery Plan has been further informed by presentations by the Central Green Network Trust on project delivery and by Health Scotland on the Fundamental Causes of Inequalities.
- 2.3 The new Outcome Delivery Plan is attached for the approval of the Alliance Board in Appendix 1. At this stage, all the actions are scored green at this initial stage but we can expect scoring to be more varied in future as a consequence of focusing on delivering new partnership actions
- 2.4 The chair of the Environment ODG, Ross Johnston, is moving to a new role within Scottish Natural Heritage. The role of chair will pass to Kerry Wallace, Operations Manager, Scottish Natural Heritage the New Year.

## **3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

- 3.1 It is recommended that the Alliance Board:
- Approve the new SOA7 Environment Outcome Delivery Plan.
  - Note that a quarterly progress report for this Plan will be submitted to future meetings of the Alliance Board.

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**Lead Officer, Environment Outcome Delivery Group**

## **4.0 BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 In April 2015, Ross Johnston was appointed as the new Lead Officer for the Environment Outcome Delivery Group.
- 4.2 One of the first tasks undertaken was to carry out a review of the Outcome Delivery Plan in order to reflect the discussions that have taken place regarding the need to better evidence inequality, partnership working and added value in the Plans.
- 4.3 The new Outcome Delivery Plan is attached for the consideration and approval of the Alliance Board in Appendix 1. The improvement actions contained within the Plan will help in the delivery of the SOA 7 strategic outcome:

*All children, citizens and communities in Inverclyde play an active role in nurturing the environment to make the area a sustainable and desirable place to live and visit.*

## **5.0 IMPLICATIONS**

- 5.1 Finance: The actions within the outcome delivery plan will be financed through existing partner budgets however sources of external funding will be sought wherever possible to supplement this and to fund additional pieces of work that help in the delivery of this strategic outcome.
- 5.2 Human Resources: There are no known HR implications.
- 5.3 Legal: There are no known legal implications.
- 5.4 Equality / Diversity: There are no known equality/diversity implications.
- 5.5 Repopulation: the Outcome Delivery Plan is aimed at improving the life and wellbeing of the citizens of Inverclyde. This in turn, will help to make Inverclyde a more attractive place in which to live.
- 5.6 Inequalities: Tackling inequalities has been a key consideration when considering priorities for the new plans. The Plan contains actions with a specific inequalities focus.

## **6.0 CONSULTATION**

- 6.1 All new Outcome Delivery Plans have been developed in full consultation with partners and approved by the Lead Officer.

## **7.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 7.1 None.

Area of activity	Where are we now?	Where do we want to be?	How will we get there (including timescale)?	How will we know we are getting there?	Who is responsible?	Link to Wellbeing Outcome
<p><b>1. Housing &amp; Place Standard (links into Inequalities outcome Delivery Plan)</b></p>	<p>The physical regeneration of the Broomhill area has recently commenced. Communities are involved in this process.</p>	<p>A living environment that meets high levels of 14 standards in the Place Standard. Making Broomhill a good place to live.</p>	<p>By embracing the concept of Total Place.  Place Standard consultation to be initiated by December 2015 for initial feedback.</p>	<p>Using focus groups from the community to measure the standards in the Place Standard which will provide a benchmark to inform interventions. The focus groups to will be the main assessment tool for this process</p>	<p>Stuart Johnstone, River Clyde Homes &amp; Drew Hall, Inverclyde Council Communities of Broomhill All the Alliance partners.</p>	<p>Safe Responsible Included</p>
<p><b>2. Physical Activity</b></p>	<p>Inverclyde Active Living Strategy has been produced but implementation requires support from environmental and active travel initiatives</p>	<p>Most physically active local authority by 2022 in order to improve health and well-being</p>	<p>Development of added value partnership projects that promote active travel and increased recreational use of greenspace and access network.  Application to funding opportunities from Smarter Places Smarter Choices (be end of 2015), Spirit of 2012 (by September 2015), CSGN Development fund and Greenspace Scotland communities fund (by March 2016)</p>	<p>New environmental projects contributing to Active Living Strategy  Ongoing depending on what funding streams are available.</p>	<p>Maureen O'Neill HSCP</p>	<p>Healthy Active</p>

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<b>3. Community participation and co-production in environmental work &amp; services</b>	Low level community participation but build-up of demand and capacity expected following Community Empowerment Bill	Proactive community groups delivering projects & services	Establish environmental network to support community projects and respond to development of locality planning within the CPP. First meeting by March 2016.	Commitment to maintain network following first meeting	Bill Clements (CVS)/Charlie Cairns (IC)	Achieving Responsible Included
<b>4. Community food growing</b>	Low levels of activity, failure to secure Climate Challenge Funds. Council requirement to develop community food growing under Community Empowerment Bill	An increase in the extent of community food growing in Inverclyde and in the extent of public benefits delivered by this activity	Development of a Community Food Strategy; increase in partnership projects.  (awaiting SG guidance as to deadline for Food Growing Strategy)	An increase in community-led food growing projects	Ian Bruce (CVS)/Miriam McKenna (IC)	Healthy Active Responsible
<b>5. Inverclyde green network</b>	Fragmented green network with priority areas for action identified by IC and by the GCV green network partnership	An increase in the extent and quality of the green network for people and wildlife and the targeting of external funding sources to initiate Targeted Project Development.	Increase in partnership green network projects via an Inverclyde environment forum	Submission of Inverclyde partnership projects to funding opportunities such as the GI Fund, CSGN Development Fund and the Greenspace Scotland community greenspace fund	Charlie Cairns (IC)/Alastair Corbett (GCVGNP) supported by CSGNT	Achieving
<b>6. Physical Activity - Cycling</b>	Undertaking a local feasibility study to ascertain interest in the prospect of a Bike Recycling Programme.	The evidence shows that there is a need to apply for funding to set up a sustainable project	A Bike Recycling feasibility study will be available by November and any further engagement with partners will take place	The feasibility study will be complete and a report available for the December 2015 meeting	Maureen O'Neill Craig, HSCP	Healthy Active Included

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		Residents of Inverclyde are more active, more often	regarding next steps.			