

**INVERCLYDE ALLIANCE BOARD****MONDAY 18 MARCH 2019 – 1PM****BROOMHILL GARDENS AND COMMUNITY HUB, 46 MEARN'S STREET, GREENOCK**

**Present:** Councillors S McCabe (Chair), L Quinn, E Robertson and D Wilson (for G Brooks), (Inverclyde Council), Mr M Newlands (Scottish Enterprise), Mr P Zealey (Skills Development Scotland), Mr I Bruce (CVS/I3SF), Chief Superintendent G Crossan and Chief Inspector S Wright (Police Scotland), Group Manager D McCarrey (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service), Ms A MacPherson (NHS Greater Glasgow & Clyde), Mr A Comrie (Strathclyde Partnership for Transport) and Ms S Rae (West College Scotland).

**In attendance:** Mr A Fawcett, Mr S Allan, Ms R Binks (for Item 12 onwards), Mr S McNab, Mr G McGovern, Ms L McVey, Mr I Hanley, Mr H Scott, Ms G Baxter and Ms S Lang (Inverclyde Council), Ms S McAlees, Ms H Watson and Ms M McConnachie (Inverclyde HSCP).

**Apologies for absence:** Councillor G Brooks, Ms S Cairns (Scottish Government), Ms S Kelly (Skills Development Scotland), Ms K Wallace (Scottish Natural Heritage), Mr S McMillan MSP and Ms L Long (Inverclyde HSCP).

**FINDINGS OF REPOPULATION STUDY AND ACTION PLAN**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Inverclyde Council on the progress made by the Repopulation Group with regard to the Repopulation Action Plan, funding allocations and the wider regeneration strategy. The report advised that a draft report by EKOS Consultants had been considered by the Repopulation Group on 25 January 2019 and that this set out the social economic profile of Inverclyde in respect of demographic trends, the labour market, businesses, input and output, workforce skills, the housing market etc. as well as the strategic and policy context with regard to the implications of depopulation, national performances and the wider strategic environment.

It was noted that the key emerging themes were improving marketing and communication, growing the housing market, achieving growth in the private sector, driving the concept of Inverclyde as “region for people”, improvement of infrastructure and branding Inverclyde as a centre for culture and leisure.

Copies of the action plan which sought to deliver a number of initiatives across marketing, growing the housing market, growing local jobs and enabling infrastructure, creating a place for people of all ages and creating a centre for culture and leisure, were circulated at the meeting.

Mr John Kelly, Director, EKOS and Mr Scott Allan, Corporate Director Environment, Regeneration & Resources, Inverclyde Council made a presentation to the Board on the Repopulation Study ([Appendix 1](#)) then answered a number of questions from members, Mr Allan advised the Board that a report would be submitted to the Council's Environment & Regeneration Committee in May 2019 seeking approval for expenditure against the £500,000 allocation to repopulation within Earmarked Reserves.

**Decided:** that the work of the Repopulation Group be noted and that the action plan circulated be endorsed for detailed consideration by the Repopulation Group.

**LOCAL OUTCOMES IMPROVEMENT PLAN ANNUAL REPORT 2018**

There was submitted a report by the Chair of the Programme Board appending the finalised version of the Inverclyde Local Outcomes Improvement Plan Annual Report 2018 which sought to highlight progress in achieving the ambitions of the Inverclyde Alliance throughout

2017/18 using performance data, examples of activity from the priority outcomes and an update in respect of locality planning to demonstrate how the Alliance is working together to improve local outcomes.

The Board heard a presentation by Mr Ian Hanley, Corporate Policy Officer, Inverclyde Council ([Appendix 2](#)) and Mr Hanley then answered a number of questions from members.

**Decided:** that the development of and progress made in the Inverclyde Local Outcomes Improvement Annual Report 2018 be noted.

## **MINUTE OF MEETING OF 10 DECEMBER 2018**

The minute of the meeting of 10 December 2018 was submitted and approved.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

There were no separate matters arising.

## **INVERCLYDE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PARTNERSHIP ANNUAL REPORT 2017/18 PROGRAMME FOR GOVERNMENT 2018/19: ADDITIONAL INVESTMENT AND SERVICES TO REDUCE PROBLEM DRUG AND ALCOHOL USE – INVERCLYDE ALCOHOL AND DRUG PARTNERSHIP (IADP)**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership informing the Board of the IADP Annual Report 2017/18, including Scottish Government feedback, and additional funding allocated by the Scottish Government to ADPs from the Programme for Government 2018/19 to reduce problem alcohol and drug use.

### **Decided:**

- (1) that the contents of the IADP Annual Report 2017/18 and the Partnership's progress towards meeting Ministerial priorities for ADPs be noted;
- (2) that the Scottish Government's feedback on the ADP's Annual Report be noted;
- (3) that future ADP Annual Reports be submitted to the Alliance Board;
- (4) that the Scottish Government Investment Programme to reduce problem alcohol and drug use be noted;
- (5) that it be agreed to receive details of future Inverclyde ADP investment plans for spend related to the additional annual investment allocation of £280,477 awarded until 2020/21; and
- (6) that there be a full presentation to the October meeting of the Alliance Board on the work of the ADP and that this include information on gambling addiction in Inverclyde.

## **LOCALITY PLANNING UPDATE – MARCH 2019**

There was submitted a report by Chair of the Programme Board providing an update on the progress made in taking forward Locality Planning in Inverclyde.

### **Decided:**

- (1) that the progress made and issues identified in taking forward locality planning in Inverclyde be noted;
- (2) that it be noted that the Locality Planning Strategic Implementation Group will oversee the development of the Locality Plans and the formation of locality groups which will link into the work of the Community Engagement and Capacity Building Network (CECBN) and the Aspiring Communities projects; and
- (3) that an update report on Locality Planning, including schematics and detailed governance arrangements, be submitted to the next meeting of the Alliance Board.

## **INVERCLYDE AUTISM STRATEGY – PROGRESS TO IMPLEMENTATION**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities, Inverclyde Council on the progress made in the implementation of Inverclyde's Autism Strategy 2014 and advising of the decision to move to a direct contract award model in order to deliver the strategy outcomes.

**Decided:**

- (1) that the progress made to date in the implementation of Inverclyde's Autism Strategy be noted;
- (2) that the change to the funding model to be used to achieve the stated Autism Strategy outcomes be noted; and
- (3) that members consider their commitment to raising awareness of autism and to the training of frontline staff as outlined in Appendix 1 of the report.

## **INVERCLYDE CULTURAL PARTNERSHIP UPDATE – MARCH 2019**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities, Inverclyde Council providing an update on the work of the Inverclyde Cultural Partnership.

**Decided:** that the progress made towards the outcomes set out in Inverclyde's Cultural Partnership Delivery Plan be noted.

## **DRAFT INVERCLYDE HSCP STRATEGIC PLAN 2019-2024**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Director (Chief Officer), Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership appending a draft of the second Inverclyde Health & Social Care Partnership (HSCP) Strategic Plan covering the timeframe from 2019 to 2024.

**Decided:** that the draft Strategic Plan 2019-2024 appended to the report be noted.

## **DRAFT LOCAL CHILD POVERTY ACTION REPORT TEMPLATE**

There was submitted a report by the Corporate Policy, Performance & Partnership Manager, Inverclyde Council seeking approval of the draft Local Child Poverty Action Report template.

**Decided:**

- (1) that approval be given to the themes and detail of the draft Local Action Report template appended to the report; and
- (2) that the finalised Child Poverty Local Action Report 2018/19 be submitted to the June meeting of the Board for approval prior to its submission to the Scottish Government by 30 June 2019.

## **COMMUNITY SAFETY AND VIOLENCE PREVENTION INITIATIVE**

There was submitted a report by the Service Manager, Community Learning & Development, Community Safety & Resilience and Sport, Inverclyde Council and Superintendent D Lang, Police Scotland setting out the partnership brief for a proposed area-based Community Safety and Violence Prevention Initiative in Inverclyde and seeking agreement from the Alliance Board to proceed with its implementation.

**Decided:**

- (1) that approval be given to the development of an area-based Community Safety and Violence Prevention Initiative with Police Scotland and Inverclyde Council as lead partners;
- (2) that delivery, monitoring and evaluation of the initiative be through the Inverclyde Community Safety Partnership; and
- (3) that the initiative be delivered over a nine month period from 1 April 2019 followed by critical evaluation and full post-project evaluation within 12 months of completion.

## **DEVELOPING PARTICIPATORY BUDGETING IN INVERCLYDE**

There was submitted a report by the Head of Inclusive Education, Culture & Communities, Inverclyde Council providing an update on the progress of the Phase 1 Participatory Budgeting (PB) model pilot previously agreed to develop approaches to support decentralisation of budgets and enhance community empowerment. The report also advised of the outcome of the public consultation events to support the award of grants to community groups from both the Community Fund (£350,000) and Community Initiative Fund (£100,000) through the agreed Community Choices Framework developed as Phase 1 of the Inverclyde Participatory Budgeting model.

### **Decided:**

- (1) that the contents of the report be noted and that the intended actions be approved;
- (2) that the consultation, communications and engagement methods, audiences and key approaches outlined in the report and the timetable for voting through the proposed scrutiny events be noted;
- (3) that the planned release of funding to the community through the Participatory Budgeting process after voting events in March 2019 be noted; and
- (4) that a further report be submitted to the June meeting of the Alliance Board.

### **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

It was noted that the next meeting of the Alliance Board would take place at 1pm on Monday 17 June 2019 within Port Glasgow Town Hall and that this would include a presentation on child poverty.

# Inverclyde Re-Population Strategy

Inverclyde Alliance  
18 March 2019

# Format of Presentation

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- Background and context
- Inverclyde demographics
- Economic profile
- Inverclyde benchmarking
- Stakeholder perspectives
- Strategic framework
- Outcome Themes
- Action Plan

# Background and Context

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- Issue is not new – long terms trends
- Role of Alliance - priority issue
- Research approach
  - Desk based – Inverclyde Baseline
  - Engaged with over 100 individuals across a wide range of organisations
    - Alliance members
    - Council officials and elected members
    - Education sector
    - Other public sector
    - Community sector
    - Employers;
    - Young people;
    - Developers/ investors.
- The overarching objective - an Inverclyde Repopulation Strategy and Action Plan that will halt the decline in population in the short term and engender an increase in population in the longer term.

# Inverclyde Demographics

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- Health warning
- Where we are now
- Past trends
- Future projections
- Components of change
  - Migration
  - Birth rate
  - Mortality
- Implications for Inverclyde



# Economic Profile

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- Economic activity
- Employment
- Business base
- Economic output
- Workforce and skills profile
- Regional assets
- Inverclyde housing market
- Implications

# Benchmarking Inverclyde

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- Performs well in terms of:
  - perception of community, local services and schools;
- Medium well in terms of:
  - qualifications; employment/economic activity and GVA per worker
- Less well in terms of:
  - business density, levels of start-up and private sector jobs

See full Benchmarking RAG Report

# Stakeholder Perspectives

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- Complex – no single driver or solution
- Strengths
  - Community
  - Education
  - Environment
  - Culture and leisure
  - Some sectors
- Key challenges
  - Housing mix
  - Types of jobs
  - Private business
  - Social trends
  - Views and perception
- Other Key drivers
  - Transport and infrastructure
  - Land and Property
  - Public sector leverage
- Range of solutions proposed

# Re-Population Strategy

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- Strategic Priorities
  - Reversing demographic trends
  - Improving the image
  - Mix of housing
  - Growing private sector jobs
  - Regional and local approach
  - Securing funding
  - Spatial priority – East Greenock/Port Glasgow
  - Leveraging the public sector
  - Maximising leisure and culture
- Broad Operating Principles
  - Inclusive approach
  - Multi partner
  - Allow time
  - Clear role for private sector
  - Development and delivery stages
  - Managing expectations – prioritising
  - Monitoring

# Strategic Outcome Themes

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- OT 1: Marketing and communication
- OT 2: Growing the housing market
- OT 3: Growing local jobs
- OT 4: A place for people of all ages
- OT 5: Supporting and enabling infrastructure
- OT 6: A Centre for culture and leisure
- Cross Cutting Themes
  - CT1: Monitoring
  - CT2: Governance and delivery
  - CT3: Funding the Action Plan

# Re-Population Action Plan

OT 1: Marketing and communication activity		Allocation	Potential Partners	Year 1 Outcomes
<b>Actions</b>				
1.	Develop place promotion branding under the 'discover Inverclyde' theme being developed by the local area tourism partnership group 'Tourism Inverclyde' and expand the focus on Inverclyde as a place to visit, live and do business and support events.	£160K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inverclyde Council</li> <li>Inverclyde Tourist Group</li> <li>Discover Inverclyde</li> <li>Inverclyde Alliance</li> <li>Talent Scotland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Marketing &amp; communications plan completed and approved with funding in place and approved</li> <li>Individual campaigns launched end year 1</li> <li>Developer/ investor engagement programme completed</li> </ul>
2.	Seek out opportunities to lever in additional support including financial and logistical from partners to promote Inverclyde's place offer.			
3.	Support tourism and visitor development in Inverclyde to encourage increased day visitors in line with Glasgow City Region tourism targets			
4.	Actively seek out high profile, cost effective promotional advertising, sponsorship and marketing opportunities to position Inverclyde as a positive destination for visitors, residents and business.			
5.	Create and implement a developer engagement plan to support growth in the housing market.			
6.	Create and deliver a business growth marketing campaign focussed on Inverclyde to supplement existing national Business Gateway promotional activity.			
<b>OT 2: Growing the housing market</b>				
1.	Develop a private housing strategy with targets	£90K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>River Clyde Homes</li> <li>Inverclyde Council</li> <li>Private house builders</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Housing strategy with identified sites/ annual targets</li> <li>Private sector confirmed interest and engagement</li> <li>Development briefs for priority opportunities</li> <li>Local masterplans completed</li> </ul>
2.	Review private housing land supply			
3.	Identify development opportunities East Greenock/ Port Glasgow - Eastern Gateway			
4.	Recruitment to communications team leader position including remit to fulfil the local developer/investor liaison contact role			
<b>OT 3: Growing local jobs</b>				
1.	Increased resources for council business development support (including business gateway) for local SMEs growth	£100K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inverclyde Council</li> <li>Business Gateway Service</li> <li>Chamber of Commerce</li> <li>Employer organisations</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>New business service with business plan approved and funding secured.</li> <li>Public asset policy developed, approved and with action plan</li> </ul>
2.	Complete review of public sector opportunities in terms of employment; procurement; community benefit; and local physical assets			
3.	Inverclyde enterprise Initiative - high growth start programme.			
<b>OT 4: A region for people of all ages</b>				
1.	Strategic skills investment plan and actions.	£50K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Skills Development Scotland</li> <li>West Scotland College</li> <li>DYW Group</li> <li>Inverclyde Education Service</li> <li>Employability Service</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Skills Investment Plan developed and agreed</li> <li>Associate action plan with funding commitments</li> <li>Feasibility study into relocation office completed</li> </ul>
2.	Work with DYW to expand education/ business links.			
3.	Review option of a relocation office to provide support to those moving into Inverclyde			
4.	Work with HSCP to review opportunities for older workers			
<b>OT 5: Enabling infrastructure</b>				
1.	Progress studies in partnership with trunk road authority in terms of accessibility.	£30K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inverclyde Council Roads/Property</li> <li>SPT</li> <li>Scot Rail</li> <li>Transport Scotland</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Local Transport Action Plan - business cases developed</li> <li>Business property review completed and launched</li> <li>College Access Plan</li> </ul>
2.	Review business property portfolio and identify opportunities for small business.			
3.	Close working with the college to increase college roll in support of repopulation principles			
<b>OT 6: A centre for culture and leisure</b>				
1.	Review opportunities for increasing employment in culture and leisure sector and align the strategy and culture and leisure offer in line with repopulation aspirations and marketing activity at OT1.	£50K	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Inverclyde Leisure</li> <li>Discover Inverclyde</li> <li>Inverclyde Alliance</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Review of opportunities completed/ plan signed off and funded</li> <li>Associated Action Plan</li> </ul>
<b>Additional Requirements</b>				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The key outputs will be a series of strategies, action plans and business cases fully developed, costed and with identified funding sources ready to be delivered in Year 2.</li> <li>An additional £20k should be allocated to develop a detailed funding review of all potential future funding sources.</li> </ul>				

# **Inverclyde Local Outcome Improvement Plan Annual Report 2018**

**Report to Inverclyde Alliance Board  
Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2019**

# Presentation Outline

- Background to Inverclyde Local Outcome Improvement Plan
- Annual Report design
- Performance Management
- Progress on the three outcomes
- Locality Planning
- Questions for the Inverclyde Alliance Board



# Background to Inverclyde Local Outcome Improvement Plan

- The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 provides a statutory duty to produce a local outcomes improvement plan (LOIP) which sets out the local outcomes which the CPP will prioritise for improvement.
- The LOIP identified three strategic priorities that the Alliance Board focuses on:
  - Population
  - Inequalities
  - Environment, Culture and Heritage
- A requirement to publish annual reports which, respectively, describe progress made towards ambitions in the LOIP.

# The Three Strategic Priorities

## Population

*Inverclyde's population will be stable and sustainable with an appropriate balance of socio-economic groups that is conducive to local economic prosperity and longer term population growth.*

## Inequalities

*There will be low levels of poverty and deprivation and the gap in income and health between the richest and poorest members of our communities will be reduced.*

## Environment, Culture and Heritage

*Inverclyde's environment, culture and heritage will be protected and enhanced to create a better place for all Inverclyde residents and an attractive place in which to live, work and visit.*



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# Annual Report Design

- A review of the Strategic Needs Analysis
- Each Summary Chapter
  - Brief Highlight of performance measures
  - The approaches deployed
  - What will be different for communities in 10 years?
  - A commentary of activity in the previous year
- Locality Planning progress
- Performance Measures update

# Performance Measures

Total Population of Inverclyde

**78,760**

This is a **decrease** of 0.5% from the previous year (2016)

Satisfaction with Inverclyde as a place to live (**perception based**)

**74%**

A decrease of 1% from the previous **Citizens' Panel Survey** in 2016.

Average gross weekly wage

**£549.60**

This is an **increase** on the previous year and above the Scottish average of £547.40.

Total Cruise Ship arrival and passengers

**61 ships and**  
**126,232 passengers**

An increase in both from the previous year.

**Percentage of the population with no qualification**

**12.2%**

A reduction from the previous years figures in 2016 and the lowest ever percentage since recording began in 2004

**Number of Children provided with a free meal during school holidays**

**1518**

Free meals provided during spring/summer/autumn 2018 holidays. An increase from 2016 and 2017

Total Amount of Derelict Land

**155.27ha**

A reduction from 155.96ha from the previous years data in 2016/17

Deliberate Secondary Fires

**340**

A **reduction** from 557 in the previous year (2016/17)

Cultural Engagements (**perception based**)

**87%**

**Cultural engagements by adults in the previous year. This is down from 91% in the 2016/17 year.**

# Population Outcome

*Total Population of Inverclyde*

**78,760**

*This is a decrease of 0.5% from the previous year (2016)*

*Civilian-in-Migration*

**1518**

*A small reduction of in-migration compared to 1530 in the previous year (2016/17). The first time since 2013/14 that in- migration exceeds out-migration*

*Civilian-Out-Migration*

**1508**

*A reduction in out migration compared to 1586 in the previous year (2016/17)*

*Satisfaction with Inverclyde as a place to live*

**74%**

*A decrease of 1% from the previous Citizens' Panel Survey in 2016.*

*Satisfaction with neighbourhoods as a place to live (perception based)*

**86%**

*An increase of 5% from the previous Citizens' Panel Survey in 2016.*

*Average gross weekly wage*

**£549.60**

*This is an increase on the previous year and above the Scottish average of £547.40.*

*Total Cruise Ship arrival and passengers*

**61 ships and  
126,232 passengers**

*An increase in both from the previous year.*

*Percentage of Business Gateway start-ups per 10,000 population*

**12.8**

*Below the Scottish average of 16.6 and a reduction from the previous year rate of 19.2 (2016/17)*



# Population Outcome

- In 2018 The Population Partnership commissioned a study that supports the development of a repopulation strategy for Inverclyde.
- The Population Partnership has identified opportunities for population through the Eastern Gateway Strategic Regeneration Forum.
- As part of the Glasgow City Region City Deal Inverclyde Council and Peel Ports are delivering a joint venture aimed at increasing the number of cruise ship visitors to Scotland.
- Inverclyde is currently benefitting from significant investment in new affordable housing which will address the housing priorities in our area.

# Inequalities Outcome

*Percentage of the population with no qualification*

**12.2%**

*A reduction from the previous years figures in 2016 and the lowest ever percentage since recording began in 2004*

*Number of Children provided with a free meal during school holidays*

**1518**

*Free meals provided during spring/summer/autumn 2018 holidays. An increase from 2016 and 2017*

*Increase in Life Expectancy Rates for males and an increase in Life Expectancy for females in least deprived areas*

*Male Least Deprived/Most Deprived and Female Least deprived all increase from previous results in 2011/15, reduction from 77 years to 76.8 years for Female most deprived*

*Percentage of workless Households in Inverclyde*

**20%**

*Defined as where no-one aged 16 years and over is in employment. These members may be unemployed or economically inactive. This figure is from 2017 and is reduction from 25.1% in 2016.*

*Percentage of people 16-64 who are unemployed*

**5.5%**

*Figure based on April 2018 an increase from the previous year (4.3%)*

*Percentage of households estimated to be in fuel poverty*

**38%**

*A year on year reduction from the previous two periods (2012/14 & 2013/15) but above the Scottish average of 31%.*





# Inequalities Outcome

- In October 2018 an 'Inverclyde Every Child, Every Chance' poverty event was held attracting 103 delegates from Inverclyde Council, Inverclyde HSCP and third sector organisations.
- The Inverclyde Child Poverty Action Group established in 2018 seeks to be a champion of child poverty and will oversee the actions, development and implementation of the Inverclyde as well as to oversee funding to mitigate child poverty in Inverclyde.
- In September 2018 the Inverclyde Council Education & Communities Committee supported a commitment to roll out the provision of free sanitary products.
- The Inverclyde Regeneration and Employability Partnership has prioritised a need to engage with the workless households to ascertain what their aspirations are, what support they require and the barriers to employment.

# Environment, Culture & Heritage Outcome

*Percentage of people cycling  
(perception based)*

**24.2%**

*This is a reduction from 25.9% in  
the previous years data in  
February 2017*

*Deliberate Secondary Fires*

**340**

*A reduction from 557 in the  
previous year (2016/17)*

*Total Amount of Derelict Land*

**155.27ha**

*A reduction from 155.96ha from  
the previous years data in  
2016/17*

*Cultural Engagements  
(perception based)*

**87%**

*Cultural engagements by adults  
in the previous year. This is down  
from 91% in the 2016/17 year.*

*Percentage of adults within 5  
minute walking distance to  
nearest useable greenspace  
(perception based)*

**58%**

*A reduction from 68% from the  
previous years data in 2016.*



# Environment, Culture & Heritage Outcome

- The introduction of an Active Travel Strategy in Inverclyde which sets a vision of making active travel a realistic, convenient choice for making every day journeys in Inverclyde.
- The use of funding from the Smarter Choices, Smarter Places programmes that has resulted in the opening of the Bothy which provides cycling and walking activities to local residents and visitors.
- The creation of a Cultural Partnership which will co-ordinate the delivery of the Inverclyde Cultural Strategy.
- A £200k HLF award to deliver *Stories Frae the Street*

# Locality Planning

- Inverclyde Community Planning Partnership is required by the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 to produce Locality Plans for the areas of Inverclyde experiencing the greatest inequalities.
- In **Port Glasgow** residents from Port Glasgow in recovery or living with Dementia wanted to have a resource within their area.
- In **Greenock East & Central** Your Voice and CVS organised and facilitated a series of engagement events between Dec 17 and Mar 18
- In **Greenock South and South West** Activ8ourplace is a project funded by the Aspiring Communities Fund for the European Social Fund and the Scottish Government.

# Going Forward

- Sections 8 and 12 of the 2015 Act require the CPP to publish annual reports which, **respectively, describe progress made towards ambitions in their LOIP** and locality plans. Progress reports should provide communities with **an assessment of progress that is accurate and current**. The annual progress report on the LOIP should also **include an assessment of how the CPP and community planning partners have participated with community bodies during the reporting year, and how effective that has been in enabling community bodies to shape and influence community planning** (s.8(2)(b) refers).
- Most of the work in 2018 can be described as 'planning'. The Partnership Action Groups have identified a need for an evidence base which has resulted in the completion of or commissioning of studies. It is anticipated that during 2019 the Partnership Action Group will begin to create improvement action plans.
- An opportunity to review performance measures