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<b>Report To:</b>	<b>Inverclyde Alliance Board</b>	<b>Date:</b>	<b>17 June 2019</b>
<b>Report By:</b>	<b>Aubrey Fawcett Chair of Programme Board</b>	<b>Report No:</b>	
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<b>Subject:</b>	<b>Locality Planning Update</b>		

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## **1.0 PURPOSE**

- 1.1 The purpose of this report is to update the Inverclyde Alliance Board on the progress that has been made in taking forward Locality Planning in Inverclyde.

## **2.0 SUMMARY**

- 2.1 The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 places a statutory requirement on the Inverclyde Alliance to develop locality plans with the communities of Inverclyde that experience the greatest inequalities. It also requires Community Planning Partners to demonstrate that they are making a significant difference to the lives of their residents through the planning and delivery of better outcomes and the involvement of community bodies at all stages of community planning.
- 2.2 The Strategic Needs Assessment, carried out in 2017, alongside the community feedback from the 'Our Place Our Future' engagement provided quantitative and qualitative evidence of need and the issues of greatest importance to residents. This, in turn, helped to identify the outcomes that need to be improved in order to reduce the inequalities that exist in our areas of greatest deprivation, i.e. Port Glasgow, Greenock East and Central and Greenock South/South West.
- 2.3 In addition to the original 3 Locality Plans for the areas noted in 2.2, work has now commenced on informing the locality plans for the remaining three localities i.e. Kilmacolm & Quarriers, Greenock West and Gourock and Inverkip and Wemyss Bay. The focus will be on building capacity within communities to enable them to use their own assets and skills to address local challenges and any issues that may contribute to inequalities.
- 2.4 The Public Bodies Joint Working (Scotland) Act 2014 specified that Health and Social Care Partnerships should set up two or more localities to enable service planning at local geographies within natural communities with the aim of improving health, meeting demand on services and addressing the widening gap in health inequalities. The Inverclyde HSCP has recently developed a new Strategic Plan (2019-24), which is based on engagement, consultation and participation. This has resulted in the HSCP aiming to develop six locality planning groups, in line with the same localities agreed by the Inverclyde Alliance. The localities map for Inverclyde is attached as Appendix 1.
- 2.5 All Integration Joint Boards are required to establish a Strategic Planning Group (SPG) with

Public Bodies. The Inverclyde SPG has been established for some time and in line with statutory guidance, includes representation from within the partnership. The Corporate Director (Chief Officer) was nominated to chair. The Strategic Planning Group has responsibility for governance and accountability for the emerging locality planning groups until they are established and delivering local outcomes. Progress reports from the SIG regarding locality planning will be provided to each meeting of Inverclyde Alliance and the IJB to ensure they meet their respective legislative requirements.

- 2.6 In addition, Inverclyde HSCP has appointed a manager from Argyll and Bute HSCP on a one year secondment, to assist in taking forward locality planning until 31 March 2020. The remit of the seconded Localities and Engagement Officer includes supporting the establishment and development of six Locality Planning Groups in line with legislation and locally agreed strategies.
- 2.7 Locality Planning is one of the key areas for development within the CLD 3 year Strategic Plan 2018-2021 and a recommendation from the recent HMIE Inspection (Jan 2019). Inverclyde Council Community Learning and Development Service (CLD) have committed an officer to work in partnership with the Community, HSCP Localities and Engagement Officer and Inverclyde Alliance Policy Officers to develop community led locality groups within the six locality areas. Support has been offered from third sector organisations to engage communities in discussions and to bring people together across the six locality areas.
- 2.8 In order to ensure a wide representation of community members, promotional work of the events within neighbourhoods will begin in June and continue into July and early August 2019. Engaging localities in this process has been challenging in the past, therefore it is important to give the time leading up to the event, to engage people in the process and to ensure ongoing participation as the locality groups develop. Throughout the participation and engagement stage, officers will be identifying and encouraging community champions and volunteers to take a joint co-chair role in the locality planning groups. The outcome will be that the community within each locality will create and lead a clear action plan with vision and outcomes which will be embedded in future processes.
- 2.9 Inverclyde Alliance and the HSCP are committed to supporting locality planning and preparatory work is underway to organise six community- led development days, planned for the end of August 2019. These sessions will bring together a range of community individuals and groups to build their capacity and capability, to progress key priorities which will enable the development of the locality action plans, in line with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Public Bodies Joint Working (Scotland) Act 2014.
- 2.10 After the development days in August the locality action plans will be collated, reviewed and prepared and the results reported back to the community for clarification and approval. Continuous engagement with the localities will keep communities updated on progress and create ongoing participation in locality planning. The final six action plans will be reported to the Inverclyde Alliance Board on 9 December 2019. The expected outcomes from the Action Plans include a shift towards communities becoming more proactive and empowered in their community/locality, the creation of more people interested in participating and increased local capacity to develop and manage locality community projects.
- 2.11 A process map outlining the stages that have been taken and will be implemented over the next two months is included in Appendix 2 and the timeline for progressing this is attached as appendix 3.

### **3.0 RECOMMENDATIONS**

It is recommended that the Alliance Board:

- a. Notes the progress in developing locality planning groups and the delivery of locality action plans.
- b. Notes that the Locality Planning Groups once established and action plans

developed, will be governed by the Strategic Planning Group which will provide progress reports to Inverclyde Alliance and the IJB as part of the performance management framework.

- c. Remits it to the leaders of each of the Partnership Action Groups to provide updates on community- led locality action plans back to their strategic groups.

**Aubrey Fawcett**  
**Chair of Programme Board**

## **4.0 BACKGROUND**

- 4.1 The Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 places a statutory requirement on the Inverclyde Alliance to develop locality plans for the communities of Inverclyde that experience the greatest inequalities and for Community Planning Partners to demonstrate that they are making significant difference to the lives of their residents through the planning and delivery of local outcomes and the involvement of communities bodies at all stages of community planning.
- 4.2 Analysis of the data in the Inverclyde Strategic Needs Assessment showed that the areas of Inverclyde suffering the greatest levels of inequality are Port Glasgow, Greenock East and Central and Greenock South/South West. However, work has now commenced on informing the locality plans for the remaining three localities. The focus will be on building capacity within communities to enable them to use their own assets and skills to address local challenges and any issues that may contribute to inequalities.
- 4.3 The Public Bodies Joint Working (Scotland) Act 2014 specified that Health and Social Care Partnerships set up two or more localities to enable service planning at local geographies within natural communities with the aim of improving health, meeting demand and tackling the widening gap in health inequalities
- 4.4 All Integration Joint Boards are required to establish a Strategic Planning Group (SPG) with Public Bodies. The Inverclyde SPG has been established for some time and in line with statutory guidance, includes representation from within the Partnership and local communities, the Corporate Director (Chief Officer) was nominated to chair. The SPG is accountable to the Integration Joint Board for the delivery of the Strategic Plan. Once the Locality Planning Groups are established and plans in place, the SPG will consider how they support the governance to Inverclyde Alliance and the IJB ensuring they meet their respective legislative requirements.

## **5.0 PROGRESS TO DATE**

- 5.1 Inverclyde Alliance is committed to the development of community-led locality action plans in partnership with communities, through co-production and asset based community development. Work with communities has been ongoing via Aspiring Communities funded activity, which is being used to inform the Locality Plans for Port Glasgow, Greenock East and Central and Greenock South and South West. This is in addition to the large scale community engagement survey, 'Our Place, Our Future', which fed into the strategic priorities in the Inverclyde Outcome Improvement Plan. The feedback from 'Our Place Our Future' has been broken down to locality level to provide a more detailed picture of community need and aspiration.
- 5.2 A discussion with members of the South/South West Locality took place in December 2018. This discussion gave Inverclyde Alliance partners and communities the opportunity to clarify priorities within the South/South/West locality as previously highlighted in the Our Place Our Future consultation carried out during 2017.
- 5.3 Initial conversations with communities have highlighted the difficulties in engaging on large, complex issues, such as inequalities. Communities are far more likely to engage if there is a specific topic or concerning issue for them.
- 5.4 Locality Planning is one of the key areas for development within the CLD 3 year Strategic Plan 2018-2021 and a recommendation from the recent HMIE Inspection (Jan 2019). Inverclyde Council Community Learning and Development Service (CLD) has committed an officer to work in partnership with the Community, HSCP Localities and Engagement Officer and Inverclyde Alliance Policy Officers to develop community-led locality groups within the six locality areas. Support has been offered from third sector organisations to engage communities in discussions and to bring people together across the six locality areas.
- 5.5 Inverclyde HSCP will be subject to a Strategic Inspection for Integration within the next eighteen months. A robust locality structure that ensures all of the population is involved in

supporting transformation in Health and Social Care will form part of the inspection.

- 5.6 In addition, Inverclyde HSCP has appointed a senior manager from Argyll and Bute HSCP on a one year secondment, to assist in taking forward locality planning until 31 March 2020. The remit of the seconded Localities and Engagement Officer includes supporting the establishment and development of six Locality Planning Groups in line with legislation and locally agreed strategies.
- 5.7 Preparatory work is underway to organise six community- led locality planning development sessions, planned for the end of August 2019. It is anticipated that these sessions will bring together a range of community individuals and groups to build their capacity and capability, to progress key priorities which will enable the development of the locality action plans, in line with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 and the Public Bodies Joint Working (Scotland) Act 2014.
- 5.8 In order to ensure a wide representation of community members, promotional work on the events within neighbourhoods will begin in June and continue into July and early August 2019. Engaging localities in this process has been challenging in the past, therefore it is important to give the time leading up to the event, to engage people in the process and to ensure ongoing participation as the locality groups develop. Throughout the participation and engagement stage, officers will be identifying and encouraging community champions and volunteers to take a joint co-chair role in the locality planning groups. The outcome will be that the community within each locality will create and lead a clear action plan with vision and outcomes which will be embedded in future processes.
- 5.9 After the development days in August, the locality action plans will be collated, reviewed and prepared and the results reported back to the community. Continuous engagement with the localities will keep communities updated on progress and create ongoing participation in locality planning. The final six action plans will be reported to the Inverclyde Alliance Board on 9 December 2019. The expected outcomes from the Action Plans include a shift towards communities becoming more proactive and empowered in their community/locality, the creation of more people interested in participating and increased local capacity to develop and manage locality community projects.
- 5.10 The locality group's membership should include the community, voluntary and third sector organisations and appropriate officers from the Inverclyde Alliance to ensure that the three priorities are being achieved for the area.
- 5.11 A process map outlining the stages that have been taken and will be implemented over the next two months is included in Appendix 2 and the timeline for progressing this is attached as Appendix 3.

## 6.0 IMPLICATIONS

6.1 **Legal:** none at present

**Finance:** none at present

**Human Resources:** none at present

**Equality and Diversity:** Engaging with people who have protected characteristics will be part of the engagement processes.

**Repopulation:** Engaging local people in the development of the locality plans and developing plans that will help to make positive differences to areas in Inverclyde will encourage people to remain in the area and could help to attract people from other areas.

**Inequalities:** The locality plans will focus on tackling inequalities in the areas experiencing the

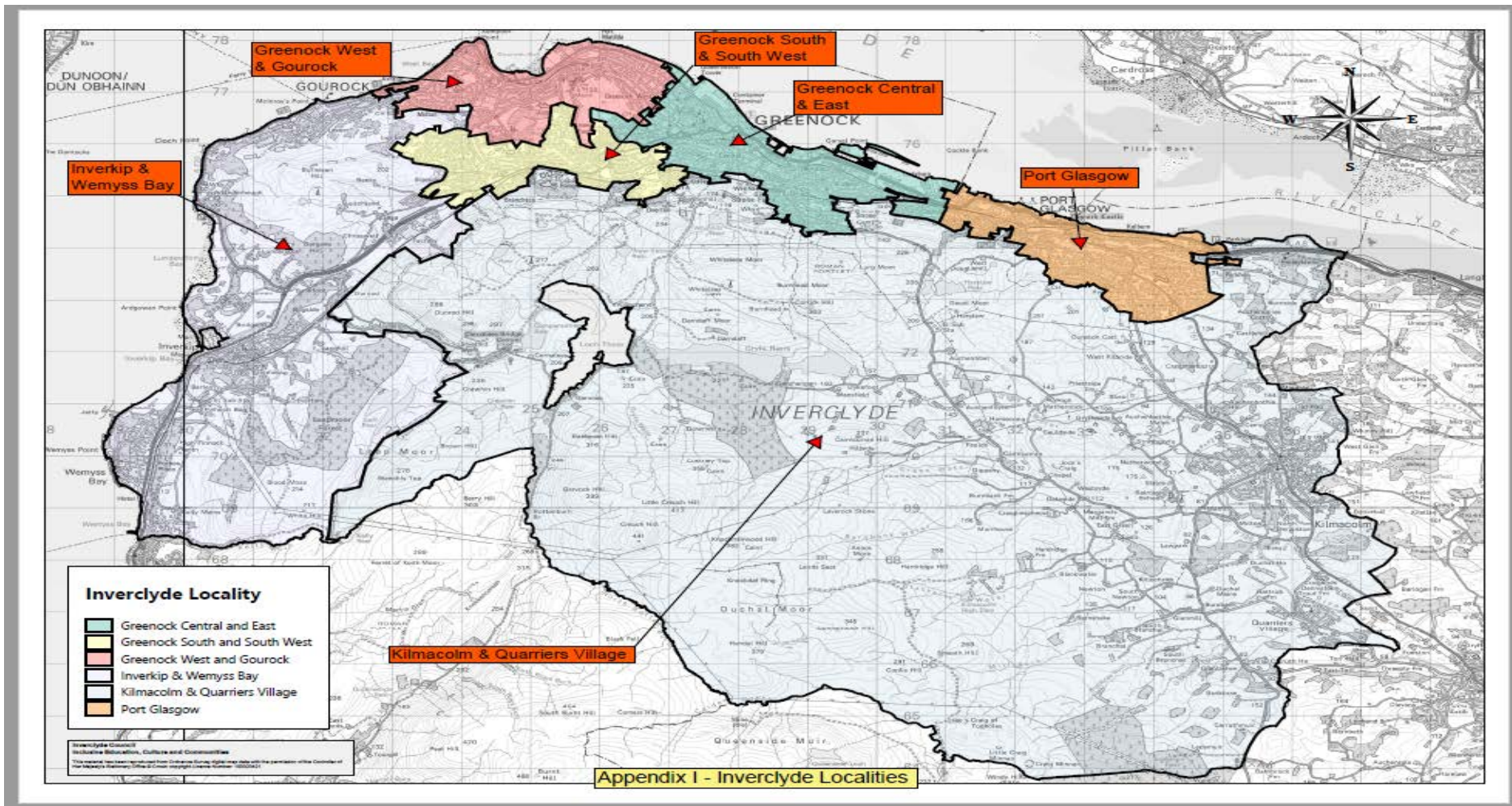
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## **7.0 CONSULTATIONS**

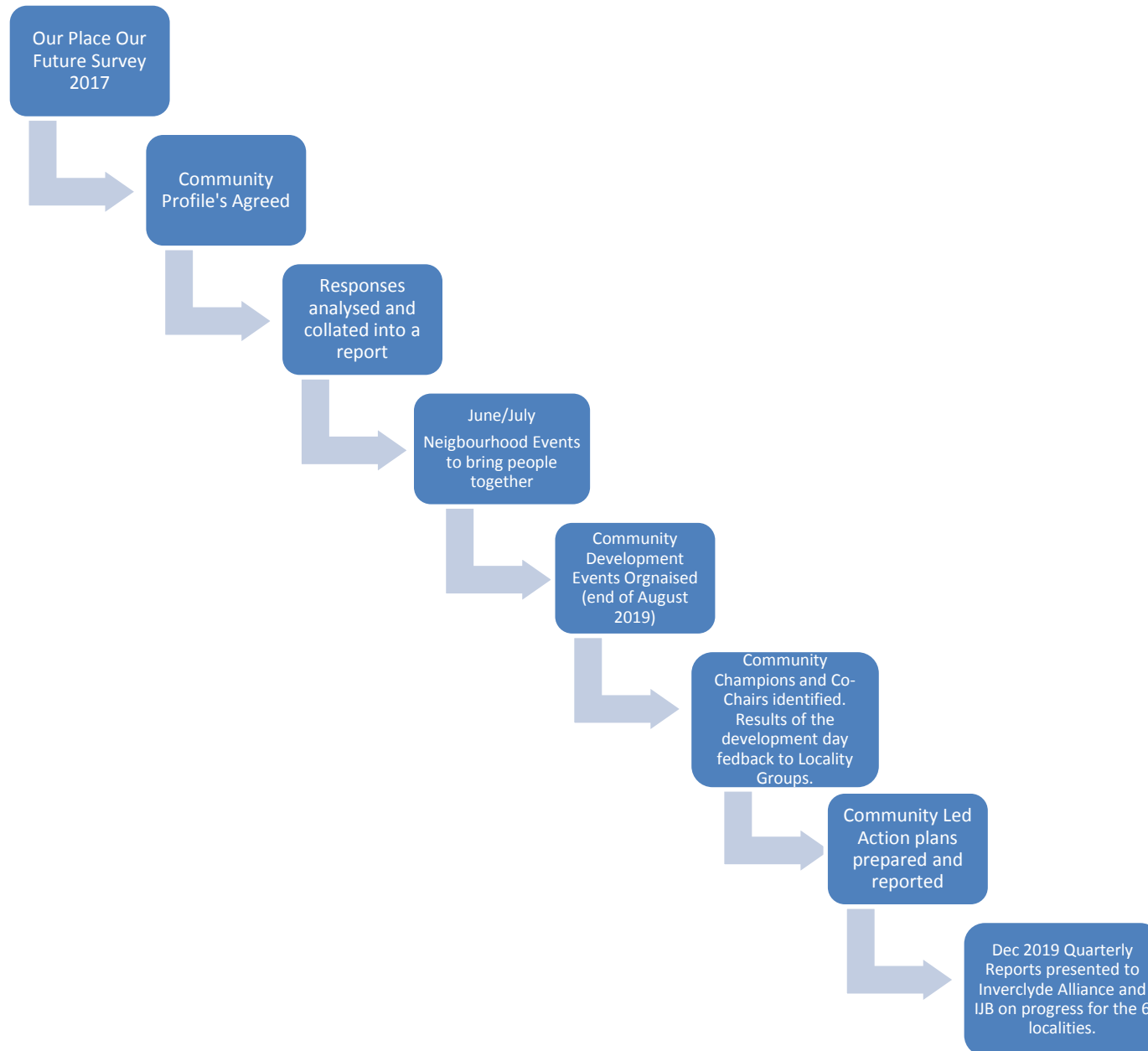
- 7.1 The Strategic Implementation Group was involved in the work outlined above. The members of the Community Engagement and Capacity Building Network were also involved in the development of this work.

## **8.0 LIST OF BACKGROUND PAPERS**

- 8.1 Inverclyde Alliance Board 1 October 2019; Locality Planning Update  
Inverclyde Alliance Board 10 December 2019; Locality Planning Update  
Inverclyde Alliance Board 18 March 2019: Locality Planning Update



Process Map/Timeline to Implement Locality Planning 2019





## LOCALITY PLANNING GROUPS (LPGs) TIMETABLE

<b>Date</b>	<b>Regular Business</b>
June/July / August	Information/Communication (visual) agreed and engagement and discussion with existing Neighbourhoods and community events in each LPG, encouraging a range of individuals and groups to come together. Electronic and Social Media opportunities expanded and explored to encourage new people and groups to become involved and engaged in the locality planning process.
August 2019	Community Celebration- LPG development sessions in each locality – Establish LPGs, membership and agree Terms of Reference Celebrate the assets of the community, publicise the community profiles (Public health profile, Socio-economics profile, other key documents & Strategies)
September 2019	LPG continued community support development, engaging, participation and planning Draft indicative Local Action Plan Review support available including all place work, profiles ,plans Other information / resources
October 2019	Review and progress Local Action Plans Support capability and capacity development of LPG
December 2019	Review and progress Local Action Plans report to Inverclyde Alliance
January 2020	Review and progress Local Action Plans with Communities/Locality Groups to Strategic Planning Group
February 2020	Review and progress Local Action Plans with Communities/Locality Groups
March 2020	Review and progress Local Action Plans with Communities/Locality Groups – actions / improvements for 2020 onwards

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