

COLDSIDE LOCAL COMMUNITY PLANNING PARTNERSHIP

Tuesday 24th June 2025 3.15pm St Martins Church,

Derby Street, Dundee

Minutes

Present:

Louise Campbell	SS Peter and Pauls RC Primary
Laura McKenzie	SS Peter and Pauls RC Primary
Norma Barber	Hilltown Larder
Lynne Isaacs	Hilltown Management Group
Bailie Helen Wright	Coldside Elected Member
Chief Inspector Rachael Burns	Locality Leader and Chair
Beverley Ross	Health in the Community Team NHS
Kirsten Brownlie	Community Empowerment Team Coldside
Jennifer Kincaid	Communities Officer Coldside

1. **Welcome, Introductions and Apologies**

Rachael welcomed those who have chosen to attend the meeting.
Noted that the meeting was postponed due to low attendance previously.
Apologies from Alison Connor and Alison Goodfellow.
On behalf of Coldside Community Forum Reps, Murray Webster has put in a note of not attending due to their objection to the recent decision to merge the two LCPP's going forward.

Actions

2. **Minutes and matters arising of the previous meeting**

Beverley Ross and Anne Lesley to be added to mailing list

JK

3. **LCPP Merge with Maryfield Priority Setting (Table Discussions)**

We went through the current action plans for Coldside LCP and removed completed or unachievable actions, reprioritised actions that were recognised as under progressing, discussed the actions that may sit across both Maryfield and Coldside, and created new actions where there were gaps.

4. **Feedback from Discussions and Next Steps**

Jennifer will refine the papers and distribute in advance of the next LCPP.

JK

5. **Other Considerations for Merge (locations, attendance etc.)**

Ice breaker would be helpful to relax the new partnerships and build a foundation for honest discussion to happen. People should be encouraged to speak to each other.

Considering numbers and those around the table who may have access difficulties.

Right people around the table – Clarification of who should attend could be a discussion at the first meeting.

Consider theming the partnership meetings to ensure attendance.

Keep agenda tight and not too busy.

Find out what partners are looking to get out of attending the LCPP.

Locations with sufficient space that can allow break away spaces, and plenty of room for discussions.

First meeting – Use a neutral venue if possible, to make everyone feel welcome.

6. Neighbourhood Capital Budget Update – Jennifer Kincaid

Jennifer gave an update that the application process is underway for the Neighbourhood capital fund and clarified that schools can apply for this as well.

7. Tabled Updates from organisations

Tabled update from Murray Webster (Appendix 1.) regarding absence of Coldsides Community Forum representatives. Rachael noted this was disappointing but understood what the community were saying. Rachael hoped that the community representatives would return, and represent local people with their voices, at the next meeting when we merge with Maryfield.

Tabled updates also included

- Police Scotland – Appendix 2
- Community Empowerment Team – Appendix 3
- Hillcrest – Appendix 4
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8. Dates for the Diary

Family events every Tuesday in School Holidays by Hilltown Community Centre

Derby Street Gala Day on Tuesday 1st July 11am-3pm in partnership with Hillcrest, Hilltown Management Group, DFTA, Maxwell Centre and DCC housing.

Health Week – 14th July-18th July – Alison Connor is leading on this in Coldsides.

9. AOCB

Legend on a Bench project has installed a bench on the green space between Tannadice and Dens Park, to highlight support services for mental health and suicide prevention. The Hilltown Men's Group hosted the delegation after the unveiling for a cuppa and spoke to them about the impact of groups like this on their mental health.

10. Date, time and venue of next meetings.

August TBC

Appendix 1:

Letter from Murray Webster, representing the Coldside Community Forum:

9/6/2025

Hello Jennifer

I am writing to you to submit my apologies for the Coldside Local Community Planning Partnership meeting due to take place on Tuesday 10th June 2025. I would ask that this letter is presented to the meeting.

I feel it would make me a hypocrite to attend this meeting as it will be discussing setting out the priorities for the new planned merged LCPP for Coldside and Maryfield. I strongly disagree with the way this merger has been undertaken, first off, no consultation with the two communities that will be impacted by this change. Then when we asked questions, we were told that there was no time to carry out consultation and even when we were asked our views, they were met with little understanding of our concern by senior Dundee City Council staff or elected members. It was said that it was regrettable that we were not consulted but this was the best way forward to ensure widest possible engagement with other partners.

The communities concern that the reduction in Community Officer posts from 1.5 to 1 has been brushed aside as an operational issue. I still can't understand why if the posts currently require 1.5 staff that the same amount of work can be done with 1 post.

I am concerned that the number of meetings going forward will now reduce from 8 across the 2 Wards to 4. This will mean less time to discuss matters that relate to each ward and could see a reduction in the voice of the community due to the numbers of meeting being reduced.

I would like to express my thanks for your efforts whilst you have been in post as Community Officer for the Coldside Ward, you have helped ensure that local people in Coldside have had the opportunity to have their voice heard, you have supported local groups to achieve a great deal for our communities though help securing funding and helping them communicate their work and services to the whole Ward though Coldside Connections and other media.

You have also dealt with all the fallout from this decision in a truly professional manner and have been a great support to me and others as we have tried to deal with the impacts of this decision.

I wish you every success going forward and note you will be a loss to Coldsides. I hope that the opportunity to work with you in the future happens.

Best wishes

Murray Webster

Appendix 2:

Coldsides Local Community Plan 2022-27 Update Report

Update from – Police Scotland

Date – 25/05/2025

What Needs to Change	What we are doing.
There needs to be improved life chances for children and families in Coldsides	1. Youth Engagement – Police Scotland have been working with partners including CLD (Community Learning and Development) workers, DCC ASBT Youth Workers and SFRS to develop youth engagement and awareness raising opportunities.
There needs to be better support for people in recovery and their families in Coldsides	1. Drug Harm/ Mental Health – Police Scotland continue to focus on a collaborative approach to these issues, applying the 4 D's model of divert / deter / disrupt and detect, whilst also signposting to relevant support agencies for persons in contact with Police Scotland in these circumstances, mitigating risk and further incidents. 2. Ditch the Dealer – Police Scotland remain committed to acting on community intelligence in respect of drug dealing activities and there has been several drugs search warrants executed across Coldsides during this quarter with positive results. Community Officers deliver Ditch the Dealer leaflets to surrounding properties where a Drugs Search Warrants have been executed to provide reassurance to neighbours and ensure they have the correct details for reporting issues to Police/Local Authority. Further, if intelligence is received that there is drug dealing activity at a specific address, but there is insufficient intelligence to obtain a Drugs Search Warrant, PSYV and Community Safety Wardens are tasked with delivering these to surrounding properties to build the intelligence picture with a view to progressing to a warrant application.
There needs to be better support for young people who have	1. Crime incident and reviews – All crime and ASB incidents are reviewed daily, with emerging trends quickly identified and solutions found, whether that be Police led, or signposting to the most appropriate agency. Police Scotland remain focused on driving a multi-agency response to anti-social behaviour and have worked closely with partners in DCC during this quarter,

<p>their own tenancies in Coldsides</p>	<p>sharing information in line with information sharing protocols. One example being the multi-agency response to a female regularly breaching an anti-social behaviour order implemented to protect other tenants, including those young people who have their own tenancy. Understanding roles and responsibilities, Downfield CPT worked with ASBT to gather evidence and put the female to Court on multiple charges, allowing Dundee City Council to utilise their legislative powers to instigate eviction proceedings for the female's tenancy. As part of this process, an engagement session was carried out with tenants to provide re-assurance, improve their understanding of the procedures involved in these types of enquiries and to sign post to support services. This was well received and has been replicated in similar cases across Coldsides.</p> <p>2. Police Scotland are committed to keeping people safe and continue to provide awareness inputs and training to partners who have regular interaction with young people who have their own tenancies. This is to ensure professionals recognise the signs of criminal sexual exploitation, county lines and cuckooing and know how to approach these matters. This extends to the Partners Intelligence Portal, which is a secure and confidential electronic system, developed by the Police Service to enable partner agencies to share important information they receive during their work. This portal provides partners with the means to securely and discreetly submit key information, whilst maintaining safeguards which protect the source of the information and does not replace current incident or crime reporting methods. The portal can be used for any form of intelligence where there is no immediate risk to an individual with recent examples including ASB and drugs.</p>
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Any other relevant information you have to share with the partnership.

The following work is also ongoing in Coldsides -

Fearless Campaign

St. Johns High School will be piloting / delivering the Fearless campaign in Dundee, which includes -

- Ongoing peer support approach to the delivery of No Knives Better Lives (NKBL) supported by Police Scotland Youth Volunteers.
- The Fearless material / services are the main resource used to raise awareness around knife crime and are not exclusive to schools given the reach being designed for young people across local communities, with proposed pilots being developed for local consideration.

Safe Taysider's Dundee

As part of the transition process from Primary to High School Police Scotland are working with DCC ASBT, SFRS, RNLI, NHS and Education to deliver a format called Safe Taysiders which will be delivered to Primary 7 pupils at all schools across Dundee, raising awareness around various matters including fire raising, water safety, drugs, violence and e-motorbikes.

Designing Out Crime Officer

Police Scotland, Tayside Division, have a specialist officer who works closely with Planning, Architects and builders etc where a new development (Housing/Commercial/Education etc) is being built. The DOCO liaises with same to ensure opportunities for both Acquisitive Crime and Crimes of Violence, also Violence Against Woman (in public) are reduced as much as possible. Further, where a problem issue/area is identified, the DOCO can be tasked with carrying out an Environmental Scan, thereafter, liaising with various agencies to

ensure the opportunities to commit Crime and ASB are greatly reduced. The DOCO has been involved in efforts to prevent ongoing anti-social behaviour and fire-raising at the old Caldron Works, which DCC have taken responsibility for securing.

FRASB Group

Due to an increase in secondary fires across the city, including in Coldsides, Police Scotland have been contributing to the fire related anti-social behaviour group (FRASB), set up to identify, monitor and action emerging trends. This also ensures a structured and consistent approach from agencies when dealing with prevention and investigation of secondary fires.

Appendix 3:

Coldsides Local Community Plan 2022-27 Update Report

Update from Coldsides Empowerment Team

Date 05/06/2025

What Needs to Change	What we are doing.
There needs to be support for residents in Coldsides to help with the cost of living	Hilltown Food Larder – Providing food to local people at a low cost membership rate. Social Enterprise Wee Bonnet Café – Free tea and coffee available with home baking etc. every Wednesday: Youth volunteers involved in this process from Our Lady's Primary. Cosy Spaces – Free tea and coffee available in the centre Mondays and Fridays Hilltown Management Group Projects such as Healthy Feet, Film and Food, Wellbeing Wednesdays including free hair dresser. Men's Group Drop In – support available for men struggling with cost of living. Free/low cost family projects for local families to attend and enjoy.
There needs to be improved life chances for children and families in Coldsides	Parent and toddler group (new) started up on a Wednesday morning Parent and child group on a Thursday evening. Coldsides holiday activities planned with Hilltown Management Group. What Matters to You Make it Happen Fund development of allocations processes.
There needs to be better support for people in recovery and their families in Coldsides	Dundee Recovery Network support where needed. Men's group support and development. Tulloch Court Community Space development.
There needs to be a co-ordinated approach to developing and supporting	Neighbourhood Capital Fund and Environment looking at developing Hilltown Park.

activities in Coldsides which relate to green spaces and climate change in Coldsides	Support for Friends of Fairmuir Park regarding Community Garden and building uses in the park.
There needs to be a co-ordinated communication strategy for Coldsides	Coldsides Connections Newsletter has faced challenges with printers and distributors this quarter.

Challenges you are facing/ actions that need to be revised

Staff capacity has been reduced due to a member being off long term sick. We need to action a review of the cost of living and the ADP funding.

Time frames for NCF are difficult when trying to get council owned spaces upgraded e.g. Hilltown Park, Hilltown Community Centre, Tulloch Court.

Appendix 4:

Coldsides Local Community Plan 2022-27 Update Report

Update from Hillcrest Homes, Tenant Services

Date 15.05.25

What Needs to Change	What we are doing.
There needs to be support for residents in Coldsides to help with the cost of living	Hillcrest Homes has a Tackling Poverty Together Action Plan co-created with our tenants to deliver anti-poverty objectives for tenants and residents in Hillcrest properties. This includes income maximisation and energy advice. Across our whole stock in the financial year 2024/25 we generated £4.7Million pounds of financial gains for tenants. We also have a city-wide project called HOPE who can help anyone in Dundee not just Hillcrest tenants.
There needs to be improved life chances for children and families in Coldsides	Hillcrest Financial Wellbeing Team maximises income for tenants who may be missing out on benefits, grants and other support this includes Scottish Child Payment and other family support.
There needs to be better support for people in recovery and their families in Coldsides	There are a range of services available at The Office / Hope Point in Dundee city centre. Hillcrest Futures are a partner in delivering the =se services.
There needs to be better support for young people who have their own tenancies in Coldsides	For young people who are Hillcrest tenants support may be available through our Social Wellbeing team.

Any other relevant information you have to share with the partnership.

Information regarding support for Hillcrest tenants can be found here:

<https://hillcrest.org.uk/hillcrest-homes/tenant-info/>

Hillcrest Financial Wellbeing Team and Hillcrest Energy Advice Team both have dedicated Facebook pages that anyone can access.