

**Minutes of the Lochee Community Planning Partnership Meeting
held on Tuesday 31st May 2022 in Menzieshill Community Hub**

Present -	Councillor Charlie Malone	Dundee City Council
	Councillor Wendy Scullin	Dundee City Council
	Councillor Roisin Smith	Dundee City Council
	Councillor Siobhan Tolland	Dundee City Council
	Michael McLaughlin (Chair)	Dundee City Council
	Pamela McLaughlin	Lochee Hub – voluntary sector rep
	Mike Welsh	Communities Officer, Dundee City Council

Apologies - Sergeant Sean Petrie, Fraser Scott, Stewart Steen, Jude Clark, Nicola Leddie, Una Milne and Angela Foote

1. Minutes of the Last Meeting – 23rd March 2022

These were agreed as a correct record

2. Matters Arising

2.1- Lochee Masterplan- Planning is to be invited along to the Lochee High St themed meeting on 8th June 2022 to discuss the evolution of the masterplan and potential projects.

2.2- Theme group membership- Mike pointed out that there had been no feedback from members regarding interest in the working groups. Pam indicated she would be interested in the open space group.

2.3- Lochee.org – a discussion was held on the development of the community campus website. It was agreed that Pam would speak to her communications team and identify costs for upgrading this and protecting the domain name. She would then discuss this development with Mike regarding possible support and any need for funding.

2.4- Community Campus- Councillor Smith reported on conversations held with NHS Tayside regarding the availability of Lochee Health centre’s community room and training kitchen. Her contact had indicated that Elaine Muir who is the practice manager is the contact to discuss access and potential collaborations once COVID restrictions end on 10th June.

2.5- Community “lens” event- Michael and Councillor Smith discussed the impressive Lens event held last week, in which three tests of change were funded. In particular, the value of the projects were discussed and it was agreed to keep abreast of these in order to see what impact they have over the next two years ie Holiday adventures (£7500)- Ancrum and St Mary’s primaries, Tayview Additional Support Needs (TASC) summer club (£17,000) and the Youth Empowerment Community (£16,000) at the Change centre

3. Local Community Plan (LCP)

Mike explained that the LCP had been drafted based on feedback received through consultations, community collectives and feedback from partners and community groups. It was agreed that the LCPP would go through the draft and identify any modifications which would help improve the high-level outcomes identified for improvement.

Action

Pamela

3.1 Isolation and Mental Wellbeing – Mike explained that there has been a lot of evidence to suggest, particularly through various lockdowns, that isolation has been evident throughout the local community. In consultations, young and older people mentioned this, but surprisingly families did too. As a result, agencies and community centres have been organising activities and sessions targeting these groups. However, more is needed, particularly to identify a plan of how healthy activities are organised to provide a pathway for people to move through improvements in both their mental and physical health. Mike added that an initial meeting of stakeholders was planned in June to discuss a plan. He agreed to feed the results of this into the draft plan. Councillor Tolland indicated an interest in participating in this meeting. Pamela suggested that the activity identified by this group/ meeting should be fed into Lochee.org and it was agreed that DVVA would investigate the feasibility of funding a staff member to kick-start the development and

Mike

3.2 Substance misuse – It was added that a working group of the LCPP already exists for this topic and it had laid out the actions identified in the draft plan. This group also has ADP (Alcohol and Drug Partnership) funding of £10,000 to trial out tests of change, some of which Mike reported had been used for the projects outlined ie Hill-walking initiative, engagement cooking activity in Menzieshill. See later in the minute for a further report.

3.3 Green and Open Space- a lengthy discussion was held on the aspirational items identified by residents. It was felt there was a broad range of potential activity from Bank St improvements, Christmas trees, new cycle routes through to park improvements and it was agreed to organise a meeting of stakeholders prior to the next LCPP meeting to examine measures and outputs relevant to this topic.

Mike

3.4 Lochee High Street- Mike indicated that Lochee High street and its enhancement to reflect residents standing and importance of this part of the ward was highlighted in much of the community consultation held. As a result, an event inviting stakeholders is planned for 8th June and Mike added that hopefully actions for the LCP will be identified there and reported back to the LCPP. Some representatives asked about the feasibility of fiscal support for local entrepreneurs or local enterprise development, particularly from DCC owned property. Michael offered to raise this with colleagues in City Development (Economic Development). Other thoughts raised included the encouragement of Dundee Design in the improvement of the area and the use of the ex-TSB building to support economic recovery or community banking. Councillor Malone indicated that discussions have started with some traders over the future of this site. He offered to report back on this at a future meeting.

Michael

Cllr
Malone

3.5 Family resilience- the success of the “What Matters to You” initiative in shining a light on the needs of families living under challenging circumstances and how stakeholders plan to support families in future was highlighted in this section of the LCP. It was reported that a couple of tests of changes are being held in Menzieshill and Charleston utilising the “Eat Well, Play Well” model, the results of which will identify the use of similar approaches in future. The cost of living rises, availability of support for this and creative ways of accessing food provision through the local network of larders and community cafes was highlighted. This to be added into the LCP.

Mike

3.6 Community Safety- Mike reported that a LCPP working group had been established with membership coming from Scottish Fire and Rescue, Police Scotland, Housing management, DCC Anti-Social Behaviour Team and the CLD service’s Youth team. This group has concentrated on planning potential diversionary work for young people, especially to draw them away from the

Tesco store and Lochee High Street on Friday nights. Further discussions are planned, particularly around bespoke support for those most at risk and likely to offend. A discussion was held on data sharing and how having more relaxed methods can help plan work better.

4. Service Updates

4.1 Scottish Fire and Rescue Service Report – Michael stated that Fraser had circulated his report. There were no comments on this and he was thanked for passing this on. It was also noted that Fraser had moved onto a new post and he was thanked for his input to Lochee CPP meetings.

4.2 Housing Section update- Stewart had passed on a report with his apologies and Mike stated he would circulate it to members later in the day.

4.3 Substance Misuse working group- Pamela reported on the recent meeting and the development of a new project planned to offer a creative method of recovery for those struggling to move on from their substance misuse. It is hoped over time that this jewellery making initiative will form a Community Interest Company (CIC) which would allow participants to make and sell products which would raise feelings of worth as well as bring in a potential income. The LCPP rubber stamped the recommendation of the sub-group to fund this initiative. Mike agreed to pass on the invoice for payment.

Mike

5. Date of the Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 30th August at 6 pm. Michael suggested that the meeting is held in another venue in the ward. Mike to arrange and circulate when organised.