

**FIFE PARTNERSHIP BOARD – REMOTE MEETING**

**23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2021**

**10.00 a.m. – 11.45 a.m.**

**PRESENT:** Councillors David Alexander (Convener), David Ross and Dave Dempsey; Steve Grimmond, Chief Executive, Fife Council; Dona Milne, Director of Public Health, Tricia Marwick, Chair of NHS Fife Board, NHS Fife; Mark Bryce, Local Senior Officer, Scottish Fire and Rescue; Laura McMahon, Department of Work and Pensions; Fiona McKay, Head of Strategic Planning, Performance and Commissioning, Health and Social Care Partnership (substitute for Nicky Connor), Jim Grieve, Interim Partnership Director, SESTran; Gordon MacDougall, Head of Operations, Skills Development Scotland; Lesley Caldwell, Community Engagement and Social Responsibility Officer, St Andrews University (substitute for Prof Brad MacKay); Adam Smith, Chief Inspector, Police Scotland, (substitute for Chief Superintendent Derek McEwan), Lawrence Wyper, Scottish Enterprise (substitute for Elaine Morrison); Kenny Murphy, Chief Executive, Fife Voluntary Action and Sue Reekie, Chief Operating Officer, Fife College.

**ATTENDING:** Keith Winter, Executive Director, Enterprise and Environment, Ken Gourlay, Head of Assets, Transportation and Environment, Assets, Transportation and Environment; Gordon Mole, Head of Business and Employability, Ross Spalding, Service Manager (Climate Change and Zero Waste), Peter Corbett, Lead Officer, Economy, Planning and Employability Services; Tim Kendrick, Community Manager (Development), William Penrice, Research Team Manager, Sinead O'Donnell, Project Manager, Lauren Bennett, Policy Officer, Samantha Pairman, Policy Officer, Communities Neighbourhoods and Michelle Hyslop, Committee Officer, Legal and Democratic Services

**APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** Michael Enston, Executive Director, Communities, Fife Council and Carol Potter, Chief Executive, NHS Fife.

**98. MINUTE**

The Board considered the minute of the Fife Partnership Board Meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2020.

**Decision**

The Board approved the minute.

**99. VERBAL UPDATES AND DISCUSSION ON THE PANDEMIC RESPONSE**

Partners provided the Board with updates on the significant efforts and continued support provided during the current Covid-19 pandemic.

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It was noted that NHS Fife has provided 100,000 Covid-19 vaccinations and the results of the vaccine and its effectiveness are really encouraging and positive in helping towards the recovery from the pandemic.

Services are continuing to work closely with the Scottish Government and Public Health Scotland to provide advice to services and the general public. Services were reminded to engage with the public to pass on key messages from public health and to support people to link in with services and help individuals self-isolate if they are required to.

Partners were thanked for their continued involvement on a partnership level, in helping to support services by continuing to work together, and to use this as a baseline for future partnership working.

#### **100. REFORM AND RECOVERY WORK**

The Board considered a report by the Executive Director of Communities outlining the conclusions from work undertaken over the past six months to shape Fife's recovery from the impact of the pandemic.

##### **Decision**

The Board:

- (1) considered and commented on the separate reports and agreed that the recommendations contained within the reports should be completed as part of the priorities for recovery and reform;
- (2) agreed that the main areas of focus are, tackling poverty and crisis prevention, leading economic recovery, community wealth building and climate emergency; and
- (3) agreed on the proposed recommendations and changes to leadership and governance within the Plan for Fife and how this would be taken forward.

#### **101. VERBAL UPDATE ON PROGRESS WITH THE PLAN FOR FIFE REVISION**

The Board discussed the current reform and recovery work and key actions taken by colleagues. Current work involved meeting with strategic partnerships to discuss involvement and key actions and how partners can be involved as part of the strategic assessment.

It is proposed to focus on a number of key activities in order to help drive the delivery of the Plan for Fife forward as part of the reform and recovery work. The draft plan will be brought to the next meeting in May 2021 as the basis for wider consultation.

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**102. PLAN FOR FIFE DELIVERY**

The Board considered a report by the Executive Director, Communities presenting the findings of work undertaken over the past four months to review the Plan for Fife delivery arrangements.

**Decision**

The Board considered and commented on the current proposals outlined in Section 3 of the report which included the following main areas of focus

- (1) reform and recovery priorities
- (2) delivery of Plan for Fife ambitions
- (3) Local place leadership
- (4) Partnership groups forums

The current Plan for Fife review proposes that the Partnership revises its current delivery arrangements in order to provide a clear focus on delivering its reform and recovery priorities, whilst renewing the intent to deliver the 10-year Plan for Fife ambitions.

**103. DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next Board meeting shall take place on Tuesday 18th May, 2021 at 10.00am, this meeting shall be held remotely, as necessary, and subject to Scottish Government advice on Covid-19.