**LOCAL OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN DELIVERY GROUP**

Thursday 18 August 2022, 10 – 12pm

MS Teams

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Members present

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| Samantha Ainslie | Police Scotland |
| Bridie Ashrowan | Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations’ Council (EVOC) |
| Kate Barlow | Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership (EHSCP) |
| Nick Croft | Edinburgh College |
| Tony Duncan | Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership (EHSCP) |
| Laurene Edgar | Lothian Association of Youth Councils (LAYC) |
| Euan Hamilton | Equalities and Rights Network (EaRN) |
| Rona Hunter | Capital City Partnership |
| Fiona Nicholson | Skills Development Scotland (SDS) |
| Joanne Siddons | Scottish Enterprise |
| Neill Whiteside | Police Scotland |
| Elin Williamson | City of Edinburgh Council |

In attendance

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| Becky Cropper (presentation) | City of Edinburgh Council |
| Julie Dickson (note) | City of Edinburgh Council |
| Daniel Greig | City of Edinburgh Council |
| Michele Mulvaney | City of Edinburgh Council |
| Molly Page | City of Edinburgh Council |

Apologies

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| Lorne Campbell | Ministry of Defence, Edinburgh Garrison |
| David Cooper | City of Edinburgh Council |
| Gavin Gray | Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) |
| Yvonne Kerr | NHS Lothian |

1. **Welcome & apologies**

Nick opened the meeting and introductions were made. Apologies as above.

1. **Note of last meeting & matters arising**

The note of the last meeting (May 2022) was agreed.

1. **Action Tracker**

The action tracker was shared, and each point discussed. These would be closed off accordingly and the updated tracker circulated.

Decision

* In relation to item 6 it was agreed that as the researcher who compiled the report had been unable to attend the LOIP DG a separate event would be scheduled and that Bridie would circulate the report

1. **Edinburgh Partnership Board (EPB) – Cost of Living Update**

Kate explained that the EPB had requested further information on the response and reaction within Edinburgh to the Cost of Living Crisis. In response to this a short life working group was convened and a one-off event involving key partners was held, led by EPB Chair and Councillor Cammy Day. A paper was presented to the June EPB.

Kate reported that Edinburgh is taking a ‘cash first’ approach. However, demand for welfare rights and debt advice services currently outweighs capacity due to organisations struggling recruitment and a burnt-out workforce.

She referred to a summary slide illustrating a workplan and compiled by the Income Maximisation and Poverty (IMPG) group and added that it all links into the Welfare Rights and Debt Advice Service Review. A good discussion took place at EPB and they would like to hold a one-off meeting to look at what the Partnership can do.

Following on from the Cost of Living workshop led by Cammy Day, an ask of philanthropic donations is being explored led by Chris Adams with support from Sandy MacDonald as a business lead on next steps.

Rona added that there is a Community Benefits Portal where communities can make direct asks that contractors can respond to for a successful match.  The portal can be viewed [here](https://www.esescommunities.org/).

There will be an official launch of communications in October to coincide with Challenge Poverty week.

Nick enquired about the impact of poverty on other partners round the table. Sam advised that Police Scotland have not seen any tangible increases in their workload as a result. However, she has requested training for officers and they have touchpoint routes.

Tony reported that EHSCP are trying to get the message out to people that the cost-of-living crisis will be higher impact than they have experienced before. He expressed concern about out of hours services in particular if demand outstrips capacity. Kate agreed that this is a concern, she added that looking at the workforce is part of the workplan.

Bridie commented that she is an advocate for the place based approach, based on the work in Wester Hailes and that community planning is where there is the most need to come together.

* 1. **Priority updates**

Priority 1 - *Enough money to live on*

Kate advised that Rocket Science were commissioned in March to take forward the welfare and debt advice service review. Mapping has been carried out, as well as surveys, interviews and a specific Network of Networks event in June following up on the conversation from October on welfare rights and debt advice. Kate advised that the report is being drafted and she will receive it on Monday or Tuesday. It will be presented to EPB in September.

Priority 2 - *Access to work, learning and training opportunities*

Edinburgh Guarantee for All – A Ukrainian Job Support Officer has been recruited by CCP to coordinate on employability. There is a dedicated section on the Joined Up for Jobs website with a Ukrainian language video - [Joined Up for Jobs](https://www.joinedupforjobs.org/ukrainian-support/ukrainian-job-seeker-support)

Improve support and outcomes of Care Experienced young people to be able to access work, learning, and training pathways – A group has been set up to look at this in terms of what needs to change and what could be piloted. An application has also been made to Corra Foundation under The Promise.

Improve outcomes for BAME citizens, including better access to employment through leadership, senior visibility, and high-ranking positive role models – The Network of Networks will focus on this at the meeting later today (18 Aug 22).

Develop improved coordination of support for prison leavers, bringing together services for a more joined up approach with clearer pathways – The services were in place in this area, but the issue was with coordination. This has been picked up with the Community Safety Partnership following the discussion at the previous LOIP DG.

Make Edinburgh a Living Wage City – Good progress is being made in this area.

Tony asked if there was a breakdown of employment groups within the Ukrainian population. Rona advised that the demographic had been changing rapidly but part of the newly recruited Ukrainian Job Support Officer’s role will be to drill down on that.

Priority 3 – *A good place to live –* Community Wealth Building (CWB)

Bridie shared a couple of slides detailing 6 proposals of the CWB Learning and Action Group (please see slides) as follows –

* Agree the case for the city
* Shape the conditions for success
* Focus on real collaborative opportunities
* Influence anchor organisations
* Shape realistic and sustainable interventions
* Strengthen community capacity

**5. Climate Crisis and City Climate Compact 2030**

Nick reported that there are a lot of groups involved with the Climate Compact. The energy, governance and leadership are all in place and it will have a significant impact. More information on this would be brought to the LOIP DG as it is cuts across all priorities but priority 3 in particular.

**6. Youth Work Strategy update**

Co-production started in early 2022 around the Edinburgh Youth and Children’s Work Strategy. A writing group (a sub-group of the Edinburgh Youth & Children’s Work Strategy Group) has met over the summer to produce a first draft. The writing group consists of 3 LAYC Member Groups, CEC Lifelong Learning, NHS Lothian and LAYC.

The focus of the Strategy will be universal and targeted youth work & children’s work, for 5-25year olds. Sections of the Strategy are:

* Definition of Youth Work
* Strengths of Youth Work (including safe spaces, trusted adults, early intervention & prevention, links with local & national policy & frameworks)
* Youth Work outcomes – drawing on local evidence and research base
* Youth Work through Covid
* Priorities for children and young people
* Strategic Actions
* Implementation Plan

Priorities for Children and Young People

* + Reducing inequality and impact of poverty
  + Health and wellbeing
  + Closing the attainment gap
  + Rights and participation

Strategic Actions

* + Workforce development
  + Engagement with key stakeholders
  + Increasing partnership working
  + Improving equality and diversity

Next steps are to take the first draft back to consultation with the wider sector through the Edinburgh Youth and Children’s Work Strategy Group.

**7. Poverty and Prevention Team presentation (please see slides)**

Molly and Becky introduced themselves, Becky is Service Innovation Lead and Molly is the Prevention Project Manager. Their remit is to progress on implementation of the Council Business Plan by working towards outcomes under the ending poverty in Edinburgh priority, in line with the recommendations of Edinburgh’s Poverty Commission and the priorities of Edinburgh Partnership’s Community Plan.

They gave some background to the team, looked in-depth at poverty prevention pathways, workforce development and cultural shift, internal governance and they covered the IMPG work plan, as highlighted by Kate (item 4).

**8. Joint Strategic Needs Assessment (JSNA)**

Nick explained that JSNA’s are usually carried out on an individual basis by partners but that this can be inefficient and they should be based in community planning. It had been agreed that there should be a workshop arranged, hosted by an external facilitator and opened up to colleagues who oversee the collection of data and analytics structured around the 3 LOIP priorities. This should be helpful to everyone around the table. Nick is in discussion with Edinburgh Futures Institute in relation to this.

Decision

* Any suggestions of colleagues to contribute to JSNA work please send to Michele

**9. Community Empowerment Strategy**

Michele explained that the work is at a critical stage. There is a need to focus on what will be done, in terms of actions and what would make a difference to how we work with communities.

Daniel shared the slides (attached) looking at the development process of the strategy, the principles, outcomes and next steps. It was agreed that a dedicated workshop with members of the LOIP DG should be arranged.

Decision

* Dedicated Community Empowerment Strategy workshop to be arranged

**10. AOB**

Rona highlighted the Ukrainian situation and commented that it would be important to have a joined-up approach going forward as there is a lot of work by various agencies taking place. Nick agreed, adding that it links to all 3 LOIP priorities and should be a headline item.

Decision

* Ukrainian situation to be standing item on agenda

**11. DONM**

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