

LOCAL OUTCOME IMPROVEMENT PLAN DELIVERY GROUP

1 February 2023, 2 – 4pm

MS Teams

Members present:

Bridie Ashrowan (Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations' Council – EVOC), Kate Barlow (Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership - EHSCP), Murray Dalglish (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service - SFRS), Laurene Edgar (Lothian Association of Youth Clubs – LAYC), Euan Hamilton (Equalities and Rights Network - EaRN), Kate Kelman (Capital City Partnership - CCP), Yvonne Kerr (NHS Lothian), Flora Ogilvie (NHS Lothian), Elin Williamson (City of Edinburgh Council), Neill Whiteside (Police Scotland)

In attendance:

Evelyn Kilmurry (City of Edinburgh Council - presentation), Julie Waldron (City of Edinburgh Council - presentation), Michele Mulvaney (The City of Edinburgh Council), Daniel Greig (The City of Edinburgh Council), Julie Dickson (The City of Edinburgh Council - note)

Apologies:

Nick Croft (Edinburgh College), Laurene Edgar (Lothian Association of Youth Clubs), Colonel Nick Hedgeley (Edinburgh Garrison), Rona Hunter (Capital City Partnership), Rosalind Papworth (Skills Development Scotland)

1. Welcome

Flora advised that members would be asked to put forward any expressions of interest or nominations for Chair in advance of the next meeting. She would Chair in the interim.

Flora welcomed everyone to the meeting. Murray Dalglish introduced himself as the new representative for SFRS.

2. Note of last meeting

The note of the previous meeting (16 November 2023) was agreed.

3. Action Tracker

The tracker was considered and will be updated accordingly. In relation to the action - *Confirmation that membership are living wage / fair work employers with Bridie seeking details of organisational procurement SPOCs to gauge whether living wage / fair work is a qualified commitment within contract awards* - Murray advised that he would follow this up with SFRS and get back to Bridie.

4. Library Service Review presentation – Evelyn Kilmurry – (please see presentation)

Evelyn gave some background to libraries in Edinburgh including city libraries, school libraries, prison and mobile services. She gave details around the drivers for change, what is already known about the service, and the agreed approach to the consultation.

The survey for citizens and stakeholders is now open on the [Consultation Hub](#) and will close on 19 April. The libraries colleague survey is currently being developed.

Evelyn reported that a range of methodologies are being utilised to engage both library and non-library users. They are looking at ways to creatively engage younger children and will be analysing results to identify demographics who are not engaging and work on ways to adjust the communications to include these groups.

There was some discussion about why there is an importance of PC and wifi access in areas of higher deprivation. Evelyn explained this can be for a range of reasons including no home connection, the cost-of-living crisis, access to a warm space and accessible opening hours and the opportunity for group or 1-1 support. Targeted interventions include events, activities and partnership work, including the Warm and Welcoming Spaces campaign. She added that often libraries are seen as neutral space so provide good opportunities for partners to work together.

The libraries shortfall is £1mil of a total £8.5/9mil budget, so is significant. There were various offers to support the libraries service in getting the message out and encouraging participation in the consultation. Bridie also offered support in helping to reach equalities groups and assist in the completion of the Integrated Impact Assessment (IIA).

Decisions

- Evelyn will send further information to be circulated to the LOIP DG members to share with networks,
- Bridie/EVOC to support with IIA,
- Evelyn to share IIA when available,
- Individual LOIP DG members to consider responding to the consultation on behalf of their organisations.

5. [Climate Ready Edinburgh – presentation, Julie Waldron \(please see presentation\)](#)

Julie explained the draft Climate Ready Edinburgh plan had recently been launched on the [Consultation Hub](#), it will run until 7 April. She explained that this is an adaptation plan rather than mitigation, we already know that the climate has changed and we need to adapt in order to thrive.

Julie shared the vision for Edinburgh. She explained how Edinburgh's climate is changing and the impacts from this as well as what it could mean for people, housing, health, work, services and nature. The greatest risk in Edinburgh is flooding. Priority areas and actions were shared as well as areas for immediate action. Included in the presentation are various maps looking at landscape, waterbodies and priority habitats.

Michele added that Net Zero will be the focus for the first part of the Edinburgh Partnership Board meeting on 5 March, there is a meeting next week to look at how to frame the input around this and the Climate Ready plan could form part of this.

Bridie explained that climate change is an area of priority for EVOC. They have Sniffer (a sustainability charity based in Edinburgh) on their Board. They also run a climate hub and there is a community climate hub coming to the city. Individual and structural change is required. Bridie referenced Community Wealth Building (CWB) in relation to how to resource this. She added that Edinburgh College had recently provided a presentation on how they are contributing to green skills and creating positive outcomes to address the climate and nature crisis.

There was some discussion around whether the plan is being utilised. Julie advised that she'd speak to a colleague and come back on this. David referenced regional resilience partnerships and looking at their response to climate emergencies. Julie agreed to look at including an action around this in the plan.

Kate Barlow mentioned a number of areas of concern including previous issues in housing around damp homes and the cost-of-living crisis she asked if reviewing heating systems would be included in the plan. She was also concerned about affordability of sun cream in a cost-of-living crisis and peoples' understanding of the changes. Julie explained that there is an action around damp homes, but it may need expanded. In relation to education and cost she advised that she'd look at the communications around this, adding that much of the impact would be in areas of higher deprivation.

Flora reported that Gordon Reid, Chair of the Adaptation and Nature Partnership is looking to hold a workshop, she asked Julie to send the information on for circulation so that the right people are represented, especially children and young people.

There followed some discussion about engaging children and young people. Yvonne agreed to send contact details to Julie of the Chair of the Education, Health and Wellbeing Network.

Julie advised that the plan will be presented to committee for a decision on approval in summer 2024.

Decisions

- Draft Climate ready Edinburgh information to be cascaded to the LOIP DG,
- Julie to send workshop information to members,
- Yvonne provide contact details for E,H&W Network to Julie W,
- Individual LOIP DG members to consider responding to the consultation on behalf of their organisations.

6. Whole Family Wellbeing Fund presentation – Flora obo Claire Gillespie – (see presentation)

Flora explained that the slides included in the pack are for information only and not for sharing further. She advised that she sits on the Joint Commissioning group alongside Laurene and David.

Flora explained the aims of the fund, that the grants are for two years and are for new or upscaling transformational work. The eligibility and criteria were explored including the six family groups. Flora referred to the National Performance Framework and Children's Services Partnership priorities and explained the timeline for the fund. The transformation and learning element of the work was discussed and post application community of practice work.

Flora advised that an event would take place in February once the criteria had been firmed up.

Kate Kelman explained that the Scottish Borders Council have linked the WFWF in with the Parental Employment Support Fund, thinking about families as they move out of poverty and into employment. She advised that Edinburgh could learn from this work.

In terms of collaborative funding, Bridie mentioned the Locality Operational Groups (LOGs) which were established to provide rapid support where required. She offered to share the reports.

Decisions

- Bridie to share LOG reports,
- Flora to circulate info on the next WFWF workshop to the LOIP DG membership.

7. Priority Updates

a. Priority 1

Kate Barlow advised that 2 papers went to the December EPB, the LOIP 1 update report and the Loan Shark Charter Mark report. The Board agreed to join the Charter. Kate will share the communications pack end February/ March. The new governance for LOIP 1 strategy group was also agreed. Jo Baldock, Joined Up for Advice coordinator has started in her new role. The Cash First job advertisement is live, and research is being commissioned.

b. Priority 2

Kate Kelman advised that the Local Employability Plan (LEP) is being reviewed with Rocket Science. The report is currently in draft, but Kate will share it when available.

- All partners have been interviewed by Rocket Science
- Partners have suggested that the LEP should have a more strategic overview; focussing on future skills needs and horizon scanning. This may mean that a restructuring of the group and sub-groups is required.
- A lot of time is spent on funding decisions and grants to voluntary organisations. This could be work could be passed on to the commissioning group.
- Priorities going forward for 24 – 26, focus should be on individuals with disabilities, health issues, over 50s and ethnicity.
- There needs to be a focus on points of transition.

Kate advised that she'd bring back further detail to the next meeting. She added that in relation to people with offending backgrounds and prison leavers, services are being commissioned but these need to be sense checked and this may require a working group.

Michele explained that work had been done with strategic partnerships on Islamophobia resulting from a committee motion. It was agreed that it might be best to consider equalities in the round and ensure that the EP is responding to the changing Edinburgh demographic. Kate reported that an Ethnicity in Employment meeting has been convened, there is the Scottish Government New Scots Strategy and the CCP Citizens Panel, she agreed that it would be good to bring this all together.

Decision

- Bridie, Flora, Euan, Kate Kelman and Michele to discuss a way forward in bringing equalities work together,
- Kate to bring back further detail on LEP review.

c. Priority 3

Yvonne reported that a session was held in Craigmillar to bring together the young people involved in the 'A Place in Childhood' (APiC) work along with APiC and stakeholders. It provided them with the opportunity to feedback around what they'd like to see in their area. The event was well attended and well received with positive contact particularly between the young people and Police Scotland.

In terms of next steps Yvonne advised that APiC would provide a write-up of the session. She would like to keep all of the work coordinated and would look to set up a meeting to ensure this happens. The work around the evaluation framework is progressing well and should conclude end March.

8. Edinburgh Partnership Board Update

a. [Transformation and Improvement Programme](#)

Michele advised that the 2nd session of the working group took place on Monday 29 January. She advised that a write-up would be produced. The 3rd session would be a place-based focus. A project plan has been drafted and a session for LOIP DG members and strategic partnerships is due to take place on 4 March.

Decision

- Papers will be circulated as they are written.

b. Performance Framework

In relation to the performance framework the small working group has met on several occasions. Information has been gathered on different approaches, looking at best practice and how to replicate this. A workshop with the LOIP DG and strategic partnerships will be held soon with a view to updating the EPB in March.

c. Housing and Childcare

Housing - Michele advised that University of Edinburgh is hosting a housing summit. The Edinburgh Partnership membership are all invited to attend and the resulting paper will be used as feedback to the Board.

Childcare – Michele is looking to meet with Lynn Patterson and invited Kate Kelman and Laurene along to scope out the childcare workshop. Elin asked that she and Katie Weavers also be invited. Bridie suggested that Edinburgh Social Enterprise be involved as well.

9. DONM

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