

THE EDINBURGH PARTNERSHIP BOARD

Tuesday 21 September 2021 – 2:00pm - Meeting held via Microsoft Teams

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Board members present

Cllr Adam McVey	The City of Edinburgh Council
Cllr Cammy Day	The City of Edinburgh Council
Gavin Donoghue	The University of Edinburgh
Cllr Robert Aldridge	The City of Edinburgh Council
Cllr Susan Rae	The City of Edinburgh Council
Cllr Iain Whyte	The City of Edinburgh Council
Mark McMullen	Scottish Enterprise
Stevie Kerr	Edinburgh Association of Community Councils
Angus McCann	Chair of the Edinburgh Integration Joint Board
Bridie Ashrowan	EVOG
Calum Campbell	NHS Lothian
Dona Milne	NHS Lothian
Hugo Clark	Ministry of Defence
Sean Scott	Police Scotland
Calum Campbell	NHS Lothian
Dona Milne	NHS Lothian

In attendance

Paula McLeay	The City of Edinburgh Council
Michele Mulvaney	The City of Edinburgh Council
John Heywood	The City of Edinburgh Council
Jon Ferrer	The City of Edinburgh Council
Paula McLeay	The City of Edinburgh Council
Shirley McLaren	The City of Edinburgh Council
Judith Stonebridge	NHS Lothian
Samantha Ainslie	Police Scotland
George Lowder	Transport for Edinburgh
Keith Langley	Scottish Fire and Rescue

Apologies

Lorraine Simpson	Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce
Andrew Kerr	The City of Edinburgh Council
Dave McCallum	Skills Development Scotland

Kenny Rodgers
Michael Chalmers
Audrey Cumberland

Scottish Fire and Rescue
Scottish Government
Edinburgh College

1 Minutes

Decision

To agree the minutes of 22 June 2021 as a correct record.

2 Local Outcome Improvement Plan and Performance Measures

The Edinburgh Partnership was required to produce a Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015.

The plan set out the partners' ambitions for the city over a ten-year period to address poverty and inequality. Recognising policy shifts in the city and the effects of COVID 19, the Board had previously agreed to a revised approach including the development of a delivery plan. The report which was presented set out the LOIP delivery plan.

Questions were invited from members which focussed on the following themes:

- Clarification on the actions which had taken place to date.
- Minimising jargon within the delivery plan.
- That measurement of outcomes was complicated.
- That the Delivery Plan was an iterative document, and that the outcome and action metrics would be updated and return to the next version of the Edinburgh Partnership Board in December 2021.
- That the aspiration was that the Delivery Plan could be a mechanism for Partners to look inward to reflect upon activity and for the Partnership to hold each other to account for delivery purposes.

Decision

- 1) To review and agree the LOIP delivery plan;
- 2) To note the further work which was required to redraft the LOIP document to incorporate the reframed priorities, together with revised outcome metrics;
- 3) To note that the redraft would be brought to the Board in December 2021;
- 4) To note that progress on the delivery of the LOIP would be subject to annual reporting to the Board beginning in September 2022;

- 5) To agree that the next iteration of the Delivery Plan which was reported to the Edinburgh Partnership Board would provide further detail on the progress of the actions and contained less jargon within the document.

3 Best Value Assurance Improvement Plan: Progress Update

The Edinburgh Partnership Board agreed a Best Value Improvement Plan at its meeting on 22 June 2021. The plan set out the actions to address the findings from the Best Value Assurance Audit to strengthen community planning in the city. An update on progress in the delivery of the improvement plan and a proposed approach to mainstreaming the actions as part of the future Edinburgh Partnership core activity was presented.

Discussion ensued from Partners and the following points were highlighted:

- That in response to the enough money to live off focus of the Edinburgh Poverty Commission, there would be a review of advice services.
- That a report would be presented to the income maximisation group on Thursday 24 June 2021, to then return for consideration by the LOIP.
- To note that a further report would be presented to the Edinburgh Partnership Board in December 2021.
- To note that Bridie Ashrowan would be joining the LOIP delivery group.
- That the 1 in 5: Raising Awareness of Child Poverty in Edinburgh training had proved to be both successful and influential and that there was an expression of interest by the University of Edinburgh to embed the 1 in 5 training within the University.
- That Poverty Commission Members and the Edinburgh Guarantee group were helpful contacts to source 1 in 5 training providers for the University of Edinburgh and that Chris Adams would share with Gavin Donoghue the work which had been undertaken in schools to inform how the 1 in 5 training could be rolled out to the university.
- To note that Richard Thomas would be taking on a secondment within Police Scotland and that Judith Stonebridge and Nick Croft would be taking on the role jointly as Co-Chairs of the LOIP.
- That a re-shaping of the relationship between Edinburgh Partnership Partners and city residents was underway, working with networks of local people, through the Community Anchors who were acting as trusted community hubs which knew and understood communities.
- That a process of codesign with Edinburgh's community & voluntary sector, and people in communities was taking place to ensure that there was no

wrong door, but multiple doors, for children and families or older people, different for each person, requiring local support.

Decision

- 1) To note the progress which had been made in implementing the improvement plan actions as set out in the appendix of the report;
- 2) To agree to mainstream the improvement actions with further progress being subject to standalone reporting or as part of the annual LOIP reporting as set out in the appendix;
- 3) To agree that partners committed to the re-establishment of the community planning support team to continue to progress the Edinburgh Partnership development plan and strategic actions identified within the LOIP delivery plan;
- 4) To agree that partners would nominate representatives to participate in discussions with EACC on collaborative working with community councils and that Michele Mulvaney would follow up with the Edinburgh Partnership Members via email for them to submit their nominations.

4 COP26

COP26 was the 26th Conference of the Parties to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change. The COP itself was a two-week conference of formal negotiations, plus multiple side-events typically attracting up to 50,000 people with representatives from around 150 countries, including Heads of State, Senior Ministers, businesses, Non-Governmental Organisations (NGOs) and media.

This was the first time the UK would host the conference, which was originally scheduled for November 2020 but postponed due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Delegates from across the world were expected to attend formal events in the 'blue zone' where climate experts, campaigners, policy makers and world leaders would debate how to make global progress on climate change. The conference also incorporated side events in the 'green zone', a citizen meeting space where NGOs, organisations and national representatives engage with each other and the general public on aspects of environmental awareness, social equality and reflections on proceedings at the COP. It was currently anticipated that around 20% of delegates will choose to stay in Edinburgh for the duration of the Conference, with many visiting Consulates based in the Capital. This meant that the city had to prepare to formally support COP26 delivering a successful event in Scotland. In addition, as the capital city of Scotland and the seat of the Scottish Parliament, the city was also preparing for an influx of visitors and delegates participating in COP and potentially some degree of protest and disruption.

Alongside supporting and managing the formal aspects of COP 26, the global climate event represented an important opportunity for Edinburgh to demonstrate the steps the city was taking to tackle climate change, and to secure a strong COP legacy for the city.

Members of the Partnership discussed the forthcoming COP and the following discussion topics emerged:

- That there were ongoing capacity challenges within the NHS, which would persist during the COP.
- That due to the Terminal V music event at Ingliston which was planned, a multiagency meeting was taking place to consider the appropriateness of this event proceeding.
- That the COP would attract 10,000-12,000 attendees and that 1 and 2 November 2021 were the days when the world leaders were expected to be in attendance and that a clearer picture on delegates who would be attending was expected shortly.
- Sean Scott provided an update to the Edinburgh Partnership around the ongoing work which was underway by Police Scotland, to manage and prepare for the event.
- To note the request from NHS Lothian to engage with EVOC to discuss voluntary sector support during the COP.
- To note that NHS Lothian had concerns regarding their ability to fulfil their category one obligations, in the event of an emergency due to the ongoing pressures facing the NHS as a result of the pandemic.

Decision

- 1) To note the co-ordinated support by city partners to ensure the COP26 programme promoted Edinburgh's NetZero ambitions to a wide audience.
- 2) To note the progress in co-ordinating the city's safety, transport and resilience planning through a partnership approach.
- 3) To note the request from NHS Lothian to engage with EVOC to discuss voluntary sector support during the COP.

5 Community Justice Annual Activity Return 2020/21

Edinburgh's Community Safety and Justice Partnership (CSJP) was responsible for developing and implementing Edinburgh's Community Justice Outcomes Improvement Plan (CJOIP) on behalf of the Edinburgh Partnership (community planning). The completed Community Justice Local Area Annual Return Template contained examples of partner's individual and

collective community justice activity during 2019/20.

Decision

1. To approve Edinburgh's Community Justice Local Area Annual Return for 2020/21 (appendix 3 refers).
2. To agree that there would be a one page.
3. To agree that a presentation would be made to the for the new conjoined

6 Edinburgh Community Safety Strategy 2020/2023 Update

The Edinburgh Community Safety Partnership (ECSP) ratified Edinburgh's three-year Community Safety (CS) Strategy on March 2020. Updates on the progress of each separate priority theme had been scheduled quarterly to be presented to the ECSP over the lifetime of the strategy. This second yearly report provided a collective overview to inform the Edinburgh Partnership of the work that each of the three thematic delivery groups had carried out to date under each theme. The EIJB was becoming more strategically connected with the community planning frameworks. The Edinburgh Association of Community Councils and IJB had met a to discuss improving this relationship.

Decision

To Note the contents of the second yearly update report of the work that had been carried out under Edinburgh's joint three-year Community Safety Strategy 2020 – 2023.

7 Edinburgh Community Learning and Development Plan 2021 - 24

The CLD Partnership had produced a new three-year community learning and development plan 2021 -2024. The plan focused on key areas of activity identified by partners, which would add value to community learning and development delivery, by identifying where the partnership could bring fresh thinking and collaborative effort to make a difference and improve outcomes. The CLDP wished to update the Edinburgh Partnership Board on the new plan and point to next steps.

Decision

To note progress and agree to receive a further progress update from the CLD Partnership in March 2022, including what the measures of success look like.

8 Date of Next Meeting and Dates for Meetings 2021/2022

Decision

To agree to host the Edinburgh Partnership on the following dates during 2021/22:

- Wednesday 15 December 2021 at 1pm
- Tuesday 15 March 2022 at 2pm
- Tuesday 28 June 2022 at 2pm