

ABERDEEN CITY COUNCIL

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1. PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1.1 This report presents the Annual Reports 2022/23 against the North, South and Central Locality Plans published in July 2021. The plans underpin the Aberdeen City Local Outcome Improvement Plan, as well as individual partner plans, to cement a joint and coordinated approach between public services and local communities to improve outcomes city wide and at a locality level.

2. RECOMMENDATION

That the Council :-

- 2.1 Approve the Locality Plan Annual Outcome Improvement Reports for North, South and Central as a representation of the Council's contribution to partnership working in delivery of the Locality Plans published in July 2021.

3. CURRENT SITUATION

- 3.1 Since 2021, Aberdeen City Council and Aberdeen City Health and Social Care Partnership has been working together to facilitate and deliver an integrated locality planning model on behalf of Community Planning Aberdeen. The approach ensures that Community Planning partners are meeting their locality planning duties in respect of both the Public Bodies (Joint Working) (Scotland) Act 2014 and the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015. At the same time, this joint working enables more efficient and effective working between partner staff and communities to secure better outcomes for the economy, people and place of Aberdeen. Integrated locality planning is an innovative approach in Scotland.

- 3.2 In July 2021, Community Planning Aberdeen published Locality Plans for the North, South and Central [Localities of the City](#). This approach sees every neighbourhood in Aberdeen covered by a Locality Plan. The plans incorporate improvement activity for the whole locality and/or targeted at specific neighbourhoods – in most cases priority neighbourhoods. Priority neighbourhoods are those areas within the North, South and Central localities which experience poorer outcomes as a result of their socio-economic status, as identified by Scottish Index of Multiple Deprivation (SIMD) data. These include: for the North, Heathryfold, Middlefield, Northfield, Cummings Park and Mastrick; for the South, Torry and Kincorth; and for Central, Tillydrone, Seaton, Woodside, Ashgrove, Stockethill and George Street.
- 3.3 The three Locality Plan Annual Reports 2022-23 contained at Appendices 1, 2 and 3 provide an overview of progress made in the last 12 months to address priority issues, some highlights from each plan are set out against the Economy, People, and Place themes below:

3.4 CENTRAL LOCALITY

3.4.1 Economy:

- We launched the online benefit calculator to help more people find out what benefits they are entitled to. This has been accessed 7274 times across the city during 2022-23, with 887 of those being from Central priority neighbourhoods.
- We supported 696 households with their fuel bills and made approximately 237 home visits to deliver insulation and energy efficiency measures. As a result, a total of £49,829.28 fuel bill savings were made in the Central Locality.

3.4.2 People:

- Of the 68 Health Improvement Fund (HIF) projects in 2022-23, 33 HIF projects were either from bidders based in the Central Locality or aimed to support health improvement activities within Central Locality.
- 431 unpaid carers accessed the Quarriers Adult Carer Support Service in the Central Locality which was an increase of 38.1% on the 312 unpaid carers who accessed the service during 2021-22.
- The rate of drug related hospital stays for the Central Locality was 249.6 people per 100,000 of the population, this was a slight increase on the data for 2021, where the rate stood at 244.3 admissions. The Central Locality was the only locality in Aberdeen City where drug related hospital stays increased between 2021-22. The Central Locality continues to have the highest rate of drug related hospital stays across Aberdeen City.

3.4.3 Place:

- 16 new community green spaces were established in Central Locality by June 2022. 67.4% of Central Locality respondents to the City Voice survey reported being satisfied or fairly satisfied with the overall quality of green/open spaces, compared to 68% for the city as a whole.
- 91.6% of Central Locality residents walk regularly compared to 89.1% of citywide respondents. People in the Central Locality are most likely to walk regularly in Aberdeen City.

3.5 NORTH LOCALITY

3.5.1 Economy:

- Across the City, 2749 families were supported to access additional child age benefits, with 792 families in North Locality seeing an increase to their benefits.
- Within the North Locality there were 928 shopping visits at the mobile food pantry, with 106 people accessing the pantry at CFine at Poynebrook Road.
- 92.6% of school leavers from the North Locality achieved a positive destination in 2021-22, this is lower than the 96.2% of school leavers in 2020-21 and lower than the Aberdeen City average of 93.8%.

3.5.2 People:

- All schools in the North Locality offer counselling and 100% of schools have signed up to the Safer Schools App. The app launched in 2022 and is promoted widely in school newsletters and is accessible to all parents and carers. Initial feedback from parents and carers has been positive.
- Of the 2459 Aberdeen Saltire Award recipients between December 2021-March 2023, 1155 young people were from the North Locality. This is the highest number by locality area in Aberdeen City.

3.5.3 Place:

- Bridge of Don and Danestone were identified as areas most at risk of flooding in Aberdeen City. A pilot community resilience group in Bridge of Don was established which is made up of several local organisations, including Kings Church, Local Men's Shed, and the rotary club. The group are currently being supported to develop a community resilience plan.

3.6 SOUTH LOCALITY

3.6.1 Economy:

- According to the City Voice Survey carried out in 2022, 28.3% of people in the South Locality worried they would not be able to heat their home compared to 55.6% of people living in Torry and Kincorth.
- Insulation and energy efficiency measures has led to South Locality households making £32,725.77 in fuel bill savings last year.

3.6.2 People:

- 21 of the 36 Fairer Aberdeen Fund projects benefited the South Locality.
- Alcohol related mortality rates in South Locality have been improving since 2019, with a rate of 13.91 per 100,000 recorded in 2021, compared to 17.31 in 2018. South Locality now has the lowest alcohol related mortality rate across Aberdeen City.

3.6.3 Place:

- CLD's Family Learning Team has supported approximately 46 families in the South Locality to access outdoor learning opportunities as well as others who attended residential throughout the year.

3.7 WORKING WITH COMMUNITIES

3.7.1 Working with communities to deliver the Locality Plans is facilitated by our Locality Empowerment Groups (LEGs) and Priority Neighbourhood Partnerships (PNPs). LEGs restarted on 27 April 2023, having not met since February 2022. PNPs have continued to meet regularly since they were established in 2017. The groups are facilitated by the Locality Planning Team and agenda items are driven by community members. Meetings provide an opportunity for community members to influence and shape what happens in their neighbourhoods and wider locality. Work also goes on in between formal meetings to support collaboration between partner staff and community members on specific areas for improvement.

4. FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4.1 There are no direct financial implications arising from the recommendation of this report.

5. LEGAL IMPLICATIONS

5.1 Production of the annual reports ensures compliance with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 (“CEA”) which requires Community Planning Aberdeen to report progress against the Locality Plans annually for the period 1 April to 31 March.

6. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPLICATIONS

6.1 There are no direct environmental implications arising from the recommendation of this report.

7. RISK

Category	Risks	Primary Controls/Control Actions to achieve Target Risk Level	*Target Risk Level (L, M or H) *taking into account controls/control actions	*Does Target Risk Level Match Appetite Set?
Strategic Risk	No significant risks identified	N/A	N/A	N/A
Compliance	Must comply with the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 (“CEA”)	Production of the annual report ensures compliance	L	Yes
Operational	No significant risks identified	N/A	N/A	N/A
Financial	No significant risks identified	N/A	N/A	N/A

Reputational	There is a risk that the Annual Reports do not accurately reflect progress made by the Partnership and communities in delivering outcomes which may have a negative impact on the public's perception of the Council and Partnership working.	Colleagues and communities across the Community Planning Partnership have contributed to the development of the annual report. It has been signed off by the Community Planning Partnership Board as an accurate reflection of progress made. An easy read version will be produced.	L	Yes
Environment / Climate	No significant risks identified	N/A	N/A	N/A

8. OUTCOMES

<u>COUNCIL DELIVERY PLAN</u>	
Impact of Report	
Aberdeen City Council Policy Statement	The recommendation in the report has no direct impact on the Policy Statement.
<u>Aberdeen City Local Outcome Improvement Plan</u>	
Prosperous Economy Stretch Outcomes	The report provides an overview of what has been achieved over the last year to progress the Prosperous Economy Stretch Outcomes in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2016-26 and the ideas for improvement within the Locality Plans.
Prosperous People Stretch Outcomes	The report provides an overview of what has been achieved over the last year to progress the Prosperous People Stretch Outcomes in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2016-26 and the ideas for improvement within the Locality Plans.
Prosperous Place Stretch Outcomes	The report provides an overview of what has been achieved over the last year to progress the Prosperous Place Stretch Outcomes in the Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2016-26 and the ideas for improvement within the Locality Plans.
Regional and City Strategies	The recommendation in the report has no direct impact on regional and city strategies.

9. IMPACT ASSESSMENTS

Assessment	Outcome
Integrated Impact Assessment	Stage 1 Assessment has been completed.
Data Protection Impact Assessment	Not required
Other	N/A

10. BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 10.1 [Refreshed Local Outcome Improvement Plan 2016- 26 and CPA Development Plan 2021-2022](#)
- 10.2 [Final Draft Integrated Locality Plans 2021-26 – North, South and Central](#)

11. APPENDICES

- 11.1 Appendix 1, 2 and 3 - Locality Plan Annual Outcome Improvement Reports 2022-23 for North, South and Central

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