

Scottish Borders Community Planning Partnership

Improvement Plan – March 2022

Improvement actions	Lead	Implications [Risk, Cost, Resource]	Target Date	Measure	Outcomes			
	Look to refresh the Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP) to account for significant changes in the operating landscape as a result of the pandemic.							
1. Rapid review of existing Local Outcome Improvement Plan /Locality Plans and reduce to a few key priorities. Reflect on existing themes/outcomes and use as a basis for discussion with community. Refresh through lens of local area plans/Regional Economic Strategy (RES).	Programme Board to lead on this supported by development of sub-group/working group.	Risks If community engagement is not done well, there is a risk of 'community fatigue'. Costs To avoid duplication in community engagement, the process could be split by partner and/or locality to ensure	June 2022	Review is completed and basis for discussion with community developed.	A LOIP that is relevant post- pandemic and reflects community priorities with a clear plan going forward to deliver change. The LOIP is owned by and adding value to communities, working with them across the Borders. The CPP is a recognisable entity.			
2. Strong community engagement piece needed with the	All partners engaged in this process (thematically and/or	targeting of resources. Can this be tagged onto existing	September 2022	Key priorities have been co-produced with the community with				

Scottish Borders	locality based). Similar	engagement		LOIP	
community to identify	approach to RES where	processes?		refreshed/developed.	
priorities that take	a cross-section sub-	processes:		refrestieu/developed.	
account of the new				Cimplified output of	
	group set up to work			Simplified output of	
environment and to	with key officers on the			what actions are being	
co-produce these.	detail to develop			progressed are to be	
Ensure language is	process of			monitored in the	
clear (keep jargon free)	engagement/review			performance	
and that hard to reach	content, etc. Overseen			framework	
groups are included,	by Programme Board.			(Improvement Action	
with importance of				1), where progress can	
rural areas recognised.				be measured in the	
				short and medium	
Need a clear				term.	
framework for					
discussion (of what					
direction could be) for					
community					
engagement.					
3. Gather insights from	Programme Board to		June 2022		
those in delivery roles	lead on this supported				
in front-line positions	by development of				
about what their	sub-group/working				
experience and	group				
working relationships					
developed during the					
pandemic have been					
and what should now					
be done differently.					
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2. Review current CPP structures and processes in relation to effective decision making to ensure they are fit for purpose.							
1. Feedback from partners in relation to what is working and what's not working.	Shona Smith & Shona Mitchell	 Change of roles – change management principles applied. Good working relationships established during pandemic – need to hold onto them. Don't want to lose the good learning during covid and doing things differently. Not going back to previous ways of working. Capacity will have to be considered in long term. 	End of February 2022	Output from survey	Decision making and effective structure (including membership) that is fit for purpose		

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		 Opportunity costs in undertaking review. Identify contributors and have mechanisms in place to ensure things work better. 			
2. Understanding what exists elsewhere – best practice & what's working well in other areas.	Shona Smith, Shona Mitchell & Vinnie Fisher			Better understanding of best practice and CPP landscape.	
3. After priorities reviewed then structure development to follow via workshop.	All partners – workshop/IS		Post-election: May 2022	Output from workshop and draft	
4. Peer review – other CPP partners across national network.	Shona Smith – CPP National Network/ can IS facilitate?		First cycle of CPP meetings after May elections	Feedback and assurance	Evidence of more representation and baseline to compare
5. CPP Programme Board to receive outline findings and proposals before presenting to Strategic Board.	Outcome of workshop to Joint Programme Board – Strategic Board		·		

6. Other CPP partners		Align to priority	
& key stakeholders –		timescales.	
right contributions and			
have opportunities to			
contribute. Requires			
clarification.			

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3. Ensure the CPP's term	s long term outcomes are	supported by a performa	nce framework which pro	gress can be measured in	the short and medium
1. Clarify CPP priorities - Align outcomes to priorities of communities and then ensure we are measuring progress 2. Clarify accountability of partners for achieving priorities. 3. Establish top KPIs that will be reported on regularly to monitor progress through identified milestones.	Council oversee framework with partners feeding in ?	Risks If improvement action not implemented: Negative publicity – loss of public confidence. Partnership not being effective as it could be. CPP continues as is – change isn't implemented. Costs	Progress on this improvement action will be dependent on timescales of above actions Overall improvement action should aim to be implemented by summer 2022.	Clear CPP priorities with clear understanding of how priorities will be measured. Partner organisations clear on their responsibility for achieving outcomes. KPI framework established.	Our communities and partners are clear on the progress and impact against the identified key priorities.
4. Agree parameters of measuring KPIs — ensure all partners are measuring the same way. 5. Qualitative measures — evaluation		 Evaluative work – Needs to be done properly. Capacity for implementing action – Partners need to play their 		Clear parameters for measuring KPIs agreed by partners. Evaluation framework established.	

infrastructure needs to	part, need to		
be put in place. Ensure	commit resource.	Benefits realisation	
lived experience is	 Invest in 	workshop undertaken	
captured to use as	increasing profile	to ensure members	
evidence in addition to	of CPP.	understand longer	
data.		term outcomes to	
		inform evaluation	
		work.	
6. Ensure public		Clear timescales in	
performance report is		terms of reporting	
clear and contains a		function – schedule of	
concise narrative about		reporting and updates	
what the CPP is trying		to Board. This should	
to achieve.		be built in across the	
		partnership and to the	
		public.	