COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT GROUP MEETING – TUESDAY 27 MARCH 2018

MEETING ROOM 1, COUNCIL ANNEXE, HQ - 10.30 AM

ITEM NO	TITLE OF REPORT	DECISION	ACTION BY
	Present	Councillor George Alexander Don Vass (tsiMoray) Fiona Rolt (Area Forums) (Chair) Ian Todd (TMC) Maggie Miller (Police Scotland) Laura Sutherland (MHSCP)	
	Apologies In Attendance	Alastair Kennedy (Joint Community Council) Anita Milne (MFCHA) Fabio Villani (CPOG rep) Irena Patterson (Moray Disability Forum) Jacqui Taylor (Moray College UHI) Jaz McDougall John Morgan (Scottish Fire & Rescue Service) Karen Chamberlain (HIE) Steven Christie (Tenants Forum) Bridget Mustard, TMC Denise Whitworth, TMC	
		John Ferguson, TMC (in respect of Item 3.2) Jacqui Graham, Minute Taker	
1.	Apologies & Welcome	Fiona Rolt welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted as above.	
1.1	Previous Minute - 27 February 2018	The minute was agreed as an accurate record of the meeting with the following minor amendments:- Page 2, under 2.2 on the first line, add Colin's surname, Bell. Page 4, under Locality Planning, 8 th line, Laura Sutherland's title is Acting Health and Wellbeing Lead. Page 5, 3 rd paragraph should read "Fabio also advised it may be worth involving Elidh Brown in planning this session". There were a few typing/grammatical errors and	

		Fiona agreed to track change these and send back to Jacqui. The minute was then proposed by Laura Sutherland and seconded by Councillor George Alexander.	
1.2	Matters Arising	Progress on Compact	
		It was noted that Fabio will progress the Compact in April.	
		Waste Management	
		The group viewed samples of the calendars that it is planned to issue to households. The importance of accurate information was emphasised.	
		Community Engagement Strategy Leaflet	
		It was noted that work is in progress and it is hoped that this will be completed in the next 2 weeks (by mid April).	
		Provide Feedback on Implementation into Organisations	
		It was emphasised that Group representatives are to take the Strategy back to their organisations for implementation.	
		LOIP	
		It was advised that the LOIP survey monkey is drafted and the LOIP design is being progressed with a view to the survey going out after the Easter holidays.	
2.1	Engagement Calendar	It was noted that the Council will consider a 2 phase engagement process on its financial planning for 2019/20 at its meeting on 11 April. The paper will be circulated to the Group and any feedback can be given to Denise or Cllr Alexander. The intention would be for the engagement exercise to take place in May, subject to the agreement of the Council.	Denise/Cllr Alexander
3.1	LOIP		
(a)	Diagram of	The revised community planning structure for the	
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	structure agreed by CPB for LOIP	LOIP was noted. It was also advised that there are a range of groups not directly related to the LOIP that are part of the community planning framework and it is intended to review these. Views were invited to feed into this review.	
(b)	Locality Planning	Ian gave the following verbal update. Work has been progressing to plan the locality planning engagement and the operational teams are meeting to consider the best methods to engage the communities. It is planned to commence engagement work after the holidays and to work over a 6 month period. Early work will include mapping of current activity in these areas and this will link in with information gathered by the LMGs. Fabio noted 2 risks in an e-mail to the Group:	
		 a) Repeat previous mistakes in taking a deficit based approach; and b) that engagement may take place on CPP terms to meet CPP needs, rather than on local communities' terms. 	
		It was noted that these issues had been raised previously and had been addressed in the development of the operational plan. The teams working on this project are well aware of the risks and are taking steps to mitigate them. For example, a local group of residents will be set up to ensure that locality work is driven by local people. People will be encouraged to identify their needs and to consider what is already available in the area. The statistics for each area have also been converted into infographics to provide bite sized information for discussion. The group are aware that one size does not fit all and will consider a range of techniques to address this. Ian has offered to meet with Fabio to discuss his concerns.	
		It was also noted that the communities have been selected because of the evidence relating to poorer outcomes and so there is a need to ensure that the community is aware of the perspective identified by the community planning partnership. This means that	

there will have to be a sensitive development of an honest shared understanding and knowledge of each community. It was agreed to provide a written update on LOIP progress for next meeting. It was noted that a report has been drafted for the Community Planning Officer Group to request a post to support this work and this will be circulated to the Group after the meeting. 3.2 Moray Council's John Ferguson explained that the aim is to make sure **Participation** that participation increases. Ideally we would want to Request Policy ensure that a robust engagement process is in place but if that doesn't work then this policy provides an alternative for communities to make requests for participation. The policy gives some examples of how participation could work and gives timescales for making requests. It is also suggested that an easy read guide is produced and that the council's willingness to participate is publicised. A form is available for groups to submit their participation requests. It was suggested that a more positive statement should be used to open the policy by moving point 2 to be point 1. The statements in the report about the aim of the Act explain it in positive terms and could be added to the policy (paras 3.4/3.6 of report) to give a more positive tone. In para 1 of policy refers to lots of processes and the wording could be improved. Under para 13, in relation to receiving requests clarification was sought on whether advice would be provided to groups that are not currently eligible and this was confirmed by reference to another section in the paper. On the request form, it was suggested that the wording was clarified and this was agreed. The wording in the notes "community (participation) body" wording needs to be consistent throughout. Any further comments to be returned to John this

		week.	
4.1	Future Planning for Development Sessions	Development Session – 24 April 2018 – Community Choices	
		It had already been agreed that the planning for this session is to be co-ordinated. Reference was made to a meeting held by the Moray for Money group yesterday and they have offered to plan and deliver the whole session. This offer was welcomed and accepted. There was discussion of the Money for Moray process, how the use of the funding is monitored and evaluated.	
		Development Session – 29 May 2018 – Community Capacity Building and Resilience	
		It was noted that the intention is to invite community groups to contribute at this session. (2 hours)	
		It is also intended to review the CLD plan and the outcome of the inspection at this session. (1 hour)	
		It was agreed that Denise would speak with Karen Delaney in regard to the CLD Plan.	Denise
5.	AOCB	Budget Consultation	
		Moray Forum has requested feedback on the areas that were changed as a result of previous budget consultation. It was confirmed that it is intended to include "the story so far" in the information that will be provided as part of the council's next engagement on financial planning and this can be made available.	
	Next Meeting Dates	The next CEG meeting is to be held on Tuesday 22 May 2018 at 9.30 am at Elgin Youth Café, Inkwell Room.	