

THIRD SECTOR DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

REPORT OF MEETINGS

Community Planning Executive Group (CPEG)

9 December 2022

THIRD SECTOR DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY SUMMARY

Working together to put our sector first Dumfries and Galloway's Third Sector Interface

KEY POINTS

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- 1. Under matters arising from the last meeting, I asked about the progress with improved communications with the third sector on the Shared Prosperity Fund, now that the investment plan has been approved by the UK government. Lynne Burgess said that my request for information (about the processes for TS applications to the SPF, decision making and the confirmation that the year one underspend will be rolled forward) would be followed up.
- 2. The CPEG approved the proposed final proposals on the review of the LOIP, locality plan and the Community Planning Operating Model.
- 3. From the update on the LEP it appears that D&G has the highest rate of Kickstarters. The annualised nature of funding of third sector contracts is still a problem. I asked why, if it is possible for the H&SCP to introduce three contracts for commissioned TSOs, is it not possible for this to work for the council's employability contracts? The answer is because of the Scottish Government funding constraints. The CPEG agreed to continue to lobby at national level for SG change.
- 4. With reference to the CLD update, I shared my points made yesterday at the CLDP meeting:
- 5. I had offered to meet with the CLDP chair to discuss the Voice framework and how it might apply to the CLDP. This meeting will be arranged for the new year. This may not or may not result in the wider sharing of the chair's role.
- 6. The CLDP workplan does not capture all the CLD work being undertaken by third sector and community groups. This could be added to the discussion with the chair about third sector representation.
- 7. The CPEG agreed to the permanent establishment of sub-group 4 of the children services plan delivery
- 8. On the update on the Public Health Scotland work I updated the CPEG on the discussion on Community Wealth Building and the Public Health Committee on Monday 5 December. I made the same points at CPEG regarding CWB:
 - The discussion about CWB tends to concentrate on the role of the anchor organisations. The progress towards CWB needs to include actions which address the capacity and capability building of TSOs to act as suppliers in the CWB pipeline.
 - b. TSDG will campaign for parity of pay and Ts and Cs when anchor organisations are developing their CWB procurement policies. When buying goods and services from TS suppliers which are already provided by the anchor organisations they should be paid and employed on the same level as those in the anchor organisation, for example in social care, early years or youth work.
- 9. I also asked for cost of living to be on the agenda for CPEG and CPPB in the new year and as part of the agenda for future meetings.

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