

DRAFT MINUTE OF THE STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP BOARD

FRIDAY, 6 SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 10 AM

CIVIC CENTRE, MOTHERWELL

PRESENT

BOARD MEMBERS

S Dolan	Police Scotland
S Frew	Scottish Enterprise
M Hill	NHS Lanarkshire Board
Colin Lauder (as substitute for J Gardner)	NHS Lanarkshire
J Quinn	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
David Wood	Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire (VANL)

OFFICERS

J Campbell	North Lanarkshire Council
M Costello	North Lanarkshire Council
W Cunningham	North Lanarkshire Council
R Hackett	Scottish Government
L Johnston	North Lanarkshire Council
T Key	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service
R Lochrin Hopkins	North Lanarkshire Council
S Penman	North Lanarkshire Council
L. Pollock	North Lanarkshire Council
Professor J Pravinkumar	NHS Lanarkshire
K Swan	North Lanarkshire Council

APOLOGIES

N Brown	Community and Voluntary Sector Partnership Group
J Gardner	NHS Lanarkshire
A Gordon	North Lanarkshire Council
R McGuffie	University Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire
Des Murray	North Lanarkshire Council
Councillor L Roarty	North Lanarkshire Council

CHAIR

S Dolan, Police Scotland

CHAIR'S OPENING REMARKS AND APOLOGIES

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting and participants introduced themselves.

The apologies were noted.

Stevie Dolan, Divisional Commander, Police Scotland and Strategic Leadership Board (SLB) Chair confirmed that he had received a thank you card from Jennifer Lees, who had been the NLC Business Manager for SLB and who had recently retired. He also advised that Ross McGuffie, Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire was leaving the Council and thanked him for all the support and contributions over the years, noting that along with Jim Quinn, Area Commander, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service, they would meet up with him to present a thank you gift on behalf of the SLB.

MINUTE OF MEETING OF STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP BOARD HELD ON 14 JUNE 2024

2. The Minute of the meeting of the Strategic Leadership Board held on 14 June 2024 was agreed as an accurate record and approved.

UPDATE ON THE REVIEW OF THE LOCAL FIRE AND RESCUE PLAN 2023 – 2026

3. Jim Quinn, Area Commander, Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS) along with Tommy Keay (SFRS) gave a verbal update on the Local Fire and Rescue Plan consultation between April and June 2024.

Following the Scottish Government new Fire and Rescue Framework, the Local Fire and Rescue Plan that would be reviewed this year and encompassed 6 key priorities from the Scottish Government plan.

Jim Quinn (SFRS) noted that the performance within Lanarkshire and local area was very focused and performance was really positive. Jim also informed the Board that there had been a review of the high reach appliances nationally which would result in the Pump/High Reach combination appliance at Coatbridge being replaced by both a dedicated pumping appliance and dedicate High Reach appliance.

Colin Lauder, NHS Lanarkshire welcomed the new Fire and Rescue appliances to Monklands hospital.

Action: that the verbal update on the Review of the Local Fire and Rescue Plan 2023 – 2026 be noted.

ANNUAL REVIEW OF THE COMMUNITY SAFETY STRATEGY 2023/24

4. Matt Costello, Area Community Partnership Manager introduced the report that detailed the Community Safety Strategy that was developed in Spring 2021. The strategy covered a broad range of community safety activity, building on the existing community partnership arrangements which were in place within North Lanarkshire. The integrated approach was intended to better utilise and target resources and community safety activity through North Lanarkshire Partnership to improve outcomes for individuals and communities in North Lanarkshire.

Members noted that the report would be submitted to Council and distributed to the Communities Boards with the new 5-year plan being created and begin from 2025.

Professor J Pravinkumar, NHS Lanarkshire raised concern in the driving incidents and the need for a focused approach to address the situation. Matt Costello advised that the Council shared the concerns and were working closely with Police Scotland and other community partners. Driving principles and trends had been identified with various ways to combat these were discussed.

In responding to a question from the Chair on “How do we measure outcomes to focus on the new strategy?”, the meeting noted that consultation within the communities had a wider reach through their own networking channels and would provide more relevant feedback.

The Chair praised the working collaboration from all partners, highlighting the positive and improving indicators.

Action

- (1) that the progress made to date in relation to the actions in Community Safety Strategy for period 2023-2024; and
- (2) that the Annual Review of the Community Safety Strategy 2023-2024 be noted.

‘TOWARDS A FAIRER NORTH LANARKSHIRE ‘TACKLING STRATEGY OUTCOME REPORT 2023/24 AND THE LOCAL CHILD POVERTY ACTION PLAN 2023/24

5. John Campbell, Tackling Poverty Business Manager introduced the report that detailed the ‘Towards a Fairer North Lanarkshire’ Tackling Poverty Strategy 2023 to 2026 and its associated Action Plan was approved at the Policy and Strategy Committee Meeting on 28 September 2023.

In responding to Professor Josephine Pravinkumar asking what help the partnership could aid within in respect that 1 in 4 children were living in poverty, the meeting noted that all North Lanarkshire partners were aware and committed and took a big role in the addressing support with various activities.

The meeting also noted that poverty was included within the Scottish Government priorities with further funding sources from a shared prosperity fund. With the changes in both the Scottish and Westminster Governments, the was the ability to build relationships to discuss the various approaches to addressing poverty.

John Campbell acknowledged the question from Martin Hill and would seek to find out from Social Security Scotland what is the potential funding that North Lanarkshire could raise through the unclaimed benefits/funding (if able).

The Strategic Leadership Board noted the Outcome Topics and that an updated finalised report would be circulated.

Action

- (1) that the 'Towards a Fairer North Lanarkshire' Strategy Tackling Poverty Strategy/Action Plan Update 2023 to 2024, as outlined in Appendix 1 of the report was endorsed;
- (2) that the 2023 to 2024 Local Child Poverty Action report as set out in Appendix 2 of the report be endorsed;
- (3) that Appendices 1 and 2 of the report were working documents and the final version would be submitted to the Council's Policy and Strategy Committee on 26th September 2024. Appendix 2 would also be submitted to the NHS Lanarkshire health and population Board for approval on 10th September 2024, in line with statutory requirements, be noted.

UPDATE ON ACTIONS WITHIN THE STRATEGIC LEADERSHIP BOARD'S SELF EVALUATION IMPROVEMENT PLAN

6. Linda Johnston, Business Strategy Manager introduced the report noting the Community Planning self-evaluation activity had been completed in early 2023, that involved the Strategic Leadership Board, Local Partnership Teams and Members of Community Boards. A comprehensive improvement plan was designed to develop the specific actions and opportunities for improvement that had been identified by the Improvement Service when carrying out the self-evaluation.

The Improvement Plan was approved and signed-off by the Strategic Leadership Board at its meeting in September 2023. Thereafter, Strategic Leaders received the first annual progress report at their meeting in April that year where it was noted that a further update report would be provided to the meeting.

The Strategic leadership Board noted that a report to be brought back to in June 2025.

Action

- (1) that progress in delivery of the Community Planning Partnership's self-evaluation Improvement Plan as of 31 August 2024 be noted;
- (2) that the actions that were identified in the improvement Plan as being complete and agreed that these may be removed from future reporting be noted;
- (3) that the actions where progress was not as originally envisaged and the planned timescales had slipped and either approve the proposed revisions or suggest alternative timescales where required be noted; and
- (4) that a final progress update would be submitted to the Strategic Leadership Board at its meeting in June 2025 be noted.

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7.
 - (a) Strategic Leadership Board – Terms of Reference
Stephen Penman advised that due to recent changes in governance, a report on the Terms of Reference for the Strategic Leadership Board would be submitted to the meeting in December 2024.
 - (b) Tackling Delayed Discharges
Marting Hill confirmed that the Cabinet Secretary for Health had a very successful visit to Wishaw Houldsworth Centre.
 - (c) Mental Health Crisis
Stevie Dolan confirmed that Police Scotland's Chief Constable had implemented a process for a mental health triage programme for police officers. The process would be used as good practice going forward.

(d) Community Wealth Building Process

Leanne Pollock noted following the Community Wealth Building (CWB) presentation that CWB was being progressed and developed through partnership steering group. Slides on Community Wealth Building would be circulated to the Strategic Leadership Board.

(e) Population Health Framework for Scotland (Engagement)

Professor Josephine Pravinkumar advised that the Population Health Framework or Scotland (Engagement) would be circulated to the Strategic Leadership Board for review and comment and that the document could be included within a future SLB meeting.

The Chair closed the meeting at 11.25am.