

2030 Community Plan



Report of 'Taking Stock' Workshop Event

30 September 2019 – Silverbirch Hotel, Omagh

Facilitator: Colm Bradley, Community Places**Attendees: 48**

Aidan Bunting	Community Voluntary Sector Forum
Alan Mitchell	FODC - Community Planning & Performance
Alison Chambers	Dept of Education
Barry Boyle	Community Voluntary Sector Forum
Brian McAleer	Health and Social Care Board NI
Carol Follis	FODC - Policing and Community Safety Partnership
Caroline Maguire	Dept for Communities
Celine McCartan	FODC - Corporate Services & Governance
Claire O'Donnell	FODC - Community Planning & Performance
Cllr Alan Rainey	FODC - Councillor
Cllr Anne Marie Fitzgerald	Chair - Community Planning SPB
Cllr Diana Armstrong	FODC - Councillor
Cllr Errol Thompson	FODC - Councillor
Cllr Thomas O'Reilly	FODC - Councillor
Conor Keys	Community Voluntary Sector Forum
Deirdre McSorley	FODC - Planning
Ed McClean	Health and Social Care Board NI
Fiona Douglas	FODC - Environmental Health
Fionnuala McKinney	Western Health and Social Care Trust
Gary Mortland	FODC - Community Services
Gerard Tracey	Dept of Agriculture, Environment & Rural Affairs
Helen Osborn	Libraries NI
Helen Sheils	FODC - Community Services
Hilary Parke	Health and Social Care Board NI
Ian Davidson	FODC - Arts & Heritage
Jason Donaghy	Community Voluntary Sector Forum
John Donnelly	Education Authority NI
Julie Corry	FODC - Parks & Open Space
Kevin O'Gara	FODC - Environment & Place
Kieran McCrory	FODC - Tourism & Economic Development
Kim McLaughlin	FODC - Community Planning & Performance
Kim Weir	FODC - Community Planning & Performance
Lynn Johnston	Community Voluntary Sector Forum
Martin Graham	Northern Ireland Housing Executive
Michael Burns	Education Authority NI
Mona Conway	Northern Ireland Housing Executive
Nichola Creagh	Dept for Communities
Nicola Helferty	Western Health and Social Care Trust
Oonagh Donnelly	FODC - Community Planning & Performance
Patricia Cooney	Education Authority NI
Priscilla Magee	Health and Social Care Board NI
Robert Gibson	FODC - Community, Health & Leisure

Scott Fallis	Police Service NI
Sharon Howe	FODC - Community Services
Shirley Devlin	Invest NI
Siobhan McCauley	Northern Ireland Housing Executive
Stephen Forrest	FODC - Parks & Open Space
Valene McCaughey	FODC - Community Planning & Performance

Apologies: 11

Allison Forbes	Community Voluntary Sector Forum
Cecilia Whitethorn	CM works
Caroline McCarroll	Waterways Ireland
Ian Humphreys	Keep Northern Ireland Beautiful
Janis Scallon	Dept of Education NI
John News	Sport NI
Kevin Duffy	WHST
Paul Cavanagh	Health and Social Care Board NI
Peter McLaughlin	Fermanagh Drugs and Alcohol Forum and Omagh Drug and Alcohol forum (overseen by WDACT Partnership)
Rosemary McHugh	Tourism NI
Teresa Molloy	WHST

Part 1: Community Engagement/Partner Engagement – Reflections on Outcomes

Further to a presentation ([appendix 1](#)) outlining the findings from community engagement undertaken in May 2019 and Partner Engagement through a Capacity Building Survey, also undertaken in May 2019, a number of key questions were discussed as follows:

1.1 QUESTION: Should roads/ broadband/ mobile connectivity be incorporated within Outcome 5 ‘Our economy is thriving, expanding and outward looking’?

- The rationale for this focused around ‘outcome 6 - our district is a connected place’ not communicating well with a wider audience (some people felt it was about social connections and isolation) as well as that roads, broadband and mobile coverage could all be viewed as enablers for a strong, thriving economy.

ACTION: It was generally agreed that outcome 6 should be subsumed within outcome 5

1.2 QUESTION:

- (i) Should the wording of outcome 7 (i.e., Our outstanding natural environment and built and cultural heritage is sustainably managed and, where possible, enhanced) be amended to “All people enjoy an outstanding, sustainable and culturally rich environment”? (NB: reference to ‘environment’ includes natural, built and cultural heritage)
- (ii) Should outcome 8 (i.e., Our district is an attractive and accessible place) be removed?

- The rationale for reviewing the wording of outcome 7 is that, currently, it reads more like an action than an outcome
- The rationale for removing outcome 8 is that it is often seen as overlapping with outcome 7 and the indicators which are identified with it could be realigned under outcomes 1, 5 and 7 thus not losing any of the key actions

ACTION: It was generally agreed that the current outcome 8 could be removed, however, it was felt that the Environment theme had a gap in terms of climate change action which needed to be considered in terms of any future revision. Any reworded outcome should refer to ‘our environment’ as the whole population.

PART 2: Community Plan Indicators – Progress to Date and Review of Indicators

- A detailed presentation ([appendix 2](#)) was provided, accompanied by a paper setting out the progress on all community planning indicators and the data development agenda ([appendix 3](#))
- Workshop discussion then took place across six groups to review indicators aligned to specific outcomes and to agree which indicators should be (a) kept; (b) removed; (c) replaced.

- A general overview was provided as outlined below (Key: black – keep; blue – remove; red – review/replace; green - add):
 - 1a) The gap in life expectancy between the most and least deprived areas
 - 1b) The standardised admission rates due to alcohol and drugs
 - 1c) The number of anti-depressants prescribed per 100 patients
 - 1d) The number of preventable deaths
 - 1e) The number of residents suffering from hypertension and/or obesity
 - 2a) The number of people aged 75 years who are hospitalised due to a fall
 - 2b) % of the people aged 65 years and over in good health
 - 2c) % of people aged 65 years and over who have never used the internet
 - 2d) The number of crimes directed against people aged 60 years and over
 - 2e) The number of senior smart pass holders
 - 3a) The number of incidents of any crime
 - 3b) % of the population who believe their cultural identity is respected by society
 - 3c) % of people living in poverty
 - 3d) % of the population who feel they can influence local decision making
 - 3e) % of the population engaged in culture, arts or leisure
 - 3f) Community safety
 - 4a) % school leavers achieving 5 GCSEs A* - C including English and Maths (or equivalent)
 - 4b) % of children achieving expected levels at KS2
 - 4c) % babies born at a low birth weight
 - 4d) % of children (Y1 and Y8) who are obese
 - 4e) % of children in care, who at age 19, are in employment, education or training
 - Add: Childcare levels / barriers / cost
 - Add: Young persons' mental health
 - 5a) The number of jobs
 - 5b) Economic inactivity rate
 - 5c) Number of registered businesses
 - 5d) Wage levels
 - 5e) Tourism expenditure
 - 5f) % of the population with skills at level 1 or above
 - 6a) Length of motorways, dual carriageways and 'A' Roads
 - 6b) % of journeys made on public transport and active travel
 - 6c) % of premises unable to access broadband in excess of 10Mbps
 - 6d) Length of listed walkways and cycle paths in the district
 - 7a) % municipal waste preparing for reuse, dry recycling and composting
 - 7b) Biodiversity Levels
 - 7c) Usage of walkways and cycle paths in the district
 - 7d) Heritage at Risk (Originally Built Heritage at Risk)
 - 7e) The number of people having a positive impact on the environment
 - Add: climate change (flooding, air quality, water quality)
 - 8a) % commercial premises that are vacant
 - 8b) Number of fly tipping incidents across the district
 - 8c) Number of tourism trips to the district
 - 8d) Provision of car parking spaces, including disabled spaces (on Council owned off-street car parking)
 - 8e) % of leisure time spent outdoors (local people)

Part 3: Prioritisation

Reflecting on the information provided from engagement, partner views' and progress on indicators, a workshop session focused on the following questions:

“What do the consultation findings and indicators update tell us about how we could have more impact through greater focus and prioritisation?”

“Is there other current or emerging evidence to inform us?”

Feedback on priorities suggested:

- **Reducing obesity** as a means of improving health
- **Falls prevention amongst elderly** - through early intervention/prevention in light of the significant impact this had on life outcomes
- **Improving mental health** – felt that the current action around mental health champions needs review
- **Cyber-education/digitalisation** – felt that there is not a co-ordinated approach across the various agencies with duplication and potential gaps in current offer
- **Addressing poverty and disadvantage** – felt that making improvements here would see improvements across many of the outcomes
 - **Child poverty** – crucial issue in terms of improved life outcomes and should be given specific focus
- **Building An Effective Partnership** – need to continue to invest in this to embed it
- **Connectivity** – need to work to build a strong partnership lobby for investment in the area through roads and broadband as this will bring wider investment and jobs – broadband seen as higher priority than roads
- **Climate Change Mitigation Plan** – needs to be progressed at a partnership level
- **Promoting a Circular Economy** – seen as a fundamental issue

4. Next Steps:

ACTION: Present workshop report to Community Planning governance structures through Action Leads' Forum in October 2019 and Strategic Partnership Board in November 2019 for decision making purposes on an agreed way forward.

5. Appendices

Appendix 1: Presentation on Engagement Findings and Capacity Building Survey Findings

Appendix 2: Presentation on Indicator Update and Progress

Appendix 3: Paper outlining progress on Indicators