**SUTHERLAND DISTRICT HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP MEETING**

**ACTION NOTE FROM THE MEETING HELD ON: Friday 27th February 2015**

**PRESENT: Cllr Deirdre Mackay - (Chair), Andy Mackay(HC), Lorraine Coe (NHSH), Bob Silverwood (NHS), Steve Gorman (SAS), Christine Ross (VGES), Jason Beeston (Police Scotland), Lauren Campbell (Note)**

**APOLOGIES: Christine Gordon, Greg MacLachlan (HC), Dawn Grant (HC), Nigel Brett - Young (HLH), Carol Summers, Patrick Gray**

**In Attendance: 2 Members of the public attended part of the meeting**

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| **ITEM** | **SUBJECT** | **ACTION AGREED** | **LEAD** | **NAMED OFFICER** | **TIMESCALE** |
| **2** | **Matters Arising** | 2.1 Following the closure of SERCO, and the identification of inequalities issues in Brora, a multi-agency meeting was held in Beachview to examine the issues and a range of actions followed. A few weeks later the Charrette focussed on wider E Sutherland issues (incl. village care NUKA style). HIE are also to organise a Sutherland Symposium later this year will focus on employment across the county.  2.2 Blythswood Food Banks – Following a meeting with partners it was agreed that ESCAB would be the appropriate lead for the foodbank and they have agreed to do so. NHS & HC are happy to support distribution wherever possible. Working very well and will be reviewed every 3 months. | HC | Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **3** | **Childcare Partnership Update** | Dawn Grant and Greg MacLachlan were unable to attend so update on Childcare Partnership will be carried forward | HC | Dawn Grant/Greg MacLachlan | Next meeting |
| **4** | **Safe Highlander Programme for Sutherland** | Lead is HC and HLH have it in work programme, Inverness and Caithness & far north Sutherland organised. Jason Beeston waiting on an update for Sutherland starting. Will liaise with Cllr Mackay when dates come in. | PS | Jason Beeston/ Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **5** | **Engagement With Young People** | Regional Invest in Young People Groups: to be business with aim to support young people in to apprenticeships. Scottish Gov recommended a Pan Highland Group. Cllr Mackay and partner agencies strongly advocated a Caithness and Sutherland Board and lobbied Scottish Govt. This has been accepted at a follow up meeting recently held in Golspie.  Mark Evans is actively pursuing opportunities for GHS. The Scottish Govt. are trying to are starting apprenticeships while still at school. There are currently courses at North Highland College but we require a stronger focus in Sutherland esp in respect of the Care sector. DM to arrange a meeting with NHS, NHS, ECS, VGES & HLH. | HC  HC | Deirdre Mackay  Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting  Next meeting |
| **6** | **Scottish Ambulance Service** | Update from Handout circulated. SG reported Helmsdale Community Council have managed to get more volunteers for First Responders, a training course will run in May (sooner if possible) – date to be confirmed. In the meantime they have been offered observation shifts on ambulances.  Following Defibrillator demonstration how can we make Sutherland defibrillator friendly? Cllr Mackay and Andy Mackay to work on Sutherland Wide Strategy | SAS  HC | Steve Gorman  DM/AM | Next meeting  Next meeting |
| **7** | **GP Representation** | Cllr Deirdre Mackay advised that we require GP representation on the DP – Lorraine Coe to pursue. | NHSH | Lorraine Coe | Next meeting |
| **8** | **Transport Consultation Sutherland** | HC Transport Service consulting with all companies who provide public/community transport and contracts. £250k to be saved so looking at different ways of providing transport, Andy will follow up at next meeting  IT discussion – can GPs/consultants do consultations over video or the internet? Telecare Integration Coordinator – to be invited to a future meeting by Lorraine Coe. | HC  NHSH | AM  Lorraine Coe | Next meeting  Next Meeting |
| **9** | **Village Care** | Community Planning Night – DM said a key outcome from the East Sutherland Charrette was that villages desire to look after their residents in their own communities as long as possible. Update to be discussed at next meeting. | HC/ NHS | Deidre Mackay/ Lorraine Coe | Next meeting |
| **10** | **Reaching High Event for Sutherland** | DM described how this recent event led by NHS and HC was to showcase examples of good community resilience projects organised by communities across the Highlands. It was agreed that it would be valuable to stage a dedicated Sutherland Event. TBD at next meeting | HC | Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **11** | **Dental Care Services** | Dental Care – there was no representative at the meeting to discuss Sc Gvt review of dental care and update on KLB proposal. Cllr Deirdre Mackay will follow up before next meeting as urgent matter. | HC | Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **12** | **Engaging with Activity** | Unsuccessful lottery application threatens future of this valued service which delivers a range of successful preventative activities to frail and vulnerable people. Alternative sources now being explored. | HC | Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **13** | **Citizens Advice Bureau Policy Issues** | Cllr Mackay asked Sutherland CABs if they would share their stats with the DP in order to help identify trends and underlying issues we may be unaware of. They have agreed to do so. Unsurprisingly fuel poverty is a huge problem. DM has met with SSE and will update at next meeting. | HC | Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **14** | **District Partnership Boundaries** | Due to boundaries the Sutherland Councillors have to attend 4 separate DP. Perception is that Sutherland issues are being bolted onto the agenda of the other areas. Formal request has been made to HC for this to be addressed so that all issues pertaining to the County are addressed at Sutherland DP.  DM to give update at next meeting. | HC | Deirdre Mackay | Next meeting |
| **15** | **AOB** | Community Safety – Jason Beeston continues to engage with partner agencies, driving ambitions is still on the radar. Emergency Liaison Groups are working well. | PS | Jason Beeston | Next meeting |
| **16** | **Questions from the Public** | None |  |  |  |
| **17** | **Date of Next Meeting** | Friday 22nd May at 10.30am THC Offices Drummuie, Golspie | All | Andy Mackay |  |