

REPORT TO INFRASTRUCTURE SERVICES COMMITTEE – 3 OCTOBER 2019

PARTNERSHIP REVIEW – NORTH AND SOUTH ABERDEENSHIRE LOCAL ACTION GROUPS

1 Reason for Report / Summary

- 1.1 The reason for this report is to facilitate a review of the Council's participation in the North Aberdeenshire Local Action Group and South Aberdeenshire Local Action Group in line with the Council's Partnership Policy.

2 Recommendations

The Committee is recommended to:

- 1.1 **Consider and endorse the partnership reviews of the North Aberdeenshire and South Aberdeenshire Local Action Groups as set out in Appendices 1-4 of this report;**
- 1.2 **Agree that the Council continue to participate in the partnerships until at least March 2021.**

3 Purpose and Decision Making Route

- 3.1 Aberdeenshire Council's Partnership Working Policy requires that a short partnership assessment and a short risk assessment must be undertaken before joining a partnership and every two years thereafter.
- 3.2 Both partnerships were established and are led by Aberdeenshire Council with the purpose of implementing Local Development Strategies funding through the LEADER Programme. LEADER funding is provided from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and Scottish Government. The partnerships comprise representatives of stakeholder organisations from the private, community and public sectors. The Council also has a Service Level Agreement with the Scottish Government to act as 'Accountable Body' for the partnerships. This involves providing staff to administer grant funding and support the partnership in addition to providing banking facilities.
- 3.3 The North Aberdeenshire partnership boundaries are approximately the same as the Banff and Buchan; Buchan; and Formartine Administrative Areas. The partnership manages LEADER funding of approximately £3.3m. An overview of the projects supported to date can be found at Appendix 5 to this report. Further information on the partnership's activities can be found at www.nalag.org.uk.
- 3.4 The South Aberdeenshire partnership boundaries are approximately the same as the Garioch; Kincardine and Mearns; and Marr administrative areas (excluding the Cairngorms National Park). The partnership manages LEADER funding of approximately £2.8m. An overview of the projects

supported to date can be found at Appendix 6 to this report. Further information on the partnership's activities can be found at www.salaq.org.uk.

4 Discussion

- 4.1 Council participation in the North and South Aberdeenshire Local Action Groups is important to facilitate the drawdown of LEADER funding in Aberdeenshire. This report asks Committee to consider and endorse the partnership assessment and risk assessment set out at Appendices 1-4 for the North Aberdeenshire Local Action Group and South Aberdeenshire Local Action Group

5 Council Priorities, Implications and Risk

- 5.1 Participation in the North and South Aberdeenshire Local Action Groups helps deliver the following Council priorities by facilitating the development, implementation and resourcing of projects:

- Support a strong, sustainable, diverse and successful economy
- Have the best possible transport and digital links across our communities
- Encourage active lifestyles and promote well-being with a focus on obesity and mental health
- Work to reduce poverty and inequalities within our communities
- Protect our special environment, including tackling climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions

- 5.2 The table below shows whether risks and implications apply if the recommendations are agreed:

Subject	Yes	No	N/A
Financial	X		
Staffing	X		
Equalities			X
Fairer Scotland Duty			X
Town Centre First			X
Sustainability			X
Children and Young People's Rights and Wellbeing			X

- 5.3 An equality impact assessment is not required because the recommended actions don't have a differential impact on people with protected characteristics. Full Equalities Impact Assessments were carried out on the North and South Aberdeenshire LEADER programmes when they were established in 2015.

- 5.4 Aberdeenshire Council presently employs staff to support the implementation of the Local Development Strategies managed by the partnerships The staffing structure presently includes a 0.5FTE Manager;

3 FTE European Programmes Co-ordinators; and 2.67 FTE European Programmes Claims Officers. A budget for staff costs is provided by the LEADER programme.

- 5.5 The financial implications are that withdrawal from the partnerships could increase the financial risk to the Council. The Council presently underwrites the partnerships' expenditure in its role as Accountable Body. Withdrawal from the partnerships would reduce the ability of the Council to influence and scrutinise partnership decisions on the award of LEADER funding. Withdrawal could also result in the loss of LEADER funding to Aberdeenshire if support to the partnerships is withdrawn and an alternative Accountable Body was not found.
- 5.6 The following Risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a [Corporate Level](#):
- Budget Pressures
 - Working with other organisations (e.g. supply chains, outsourcing, partnership working and commercialisation)
 - Reputation management
 - Social risk (e.g. population changes, poverty & social inequality, demographic changes, crime, anti-social behaviour)

The following risks have been identified as relevant to this matter on a [Strategic Level](#):

- Balancing the Books
- Supportive, Inclusive, Vibrant and Healthy Communities
- Economic Development

6 Scheme of Governance

- 6.1 The Head of Finance and Monitoring Officer within Business Services have been consulted in the preparation of this report and are satisfied that the report complies with the Scheme of Governance and relevant legislation.
- 6.2 The Committee is able to consider this item in terms of Section F1.1.b of the List of Committee Powers in Part 2A of the Scheme of Governance as this relates to policy issues and resource matters relating to Economic Development.

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Director of Infrastructure Services Committee

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6 September 2019

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APPENDIX 1 – PARTNERSHIP REVIEW, NORTH ABERDEENSHIRE LOCAL ACTION GROUP

Areas for consideration	Assessment	Comment/Proposed Action
Is the partnership a statutory partnership?	No <input type="button" value="v"/>	
If yes, please state the legislation in the comment box. (Please continue to go through the assessment for best practice purposes, rather than to assess whether there should be participation in the partnership).		
The partnership has set outcomes or objectives to be achieved	Yes <input type="button" value="v"/>	To deliver the North Aberdeenshire Local Development Strategy
The partnership's aims and any commitment of budget fit with the council's strategic plan and priorities <i>(http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/council-plan)</i>	Yes <input type="button" value="v"/>	
If yes or partly, please specify which priorities in the comment box		The partnership supports the following objectives: Support a strong, sustainable, diverse and successful economy; Have the best possible transport and digital links across our communities; Encourage active lifestyles and promote well-being with a focus on obesity and mental health; Work to reduce poverty and inequalities within our communities; Protect our special environment, including tackling climate change by reducing greenhouse gas emissions;
The partnership follows the Account Commission's Code on Following the Public Pound / financial regulations and agrees appropriate arrangements for allocating start-up and running costs <i>(http://www.audit-scotland.gov.uk/uploads/docs/r)</i>	Yes <input type="button" value="v"/>	

<p><i>eport/2004/nr_040311_followin g_public_pound.pdf)</i></p>		
<p>The partnership makes links to the CPP's Local Outcomes Improvement Plan priorities where relevant (http://www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk/our-priorities/local-outcomes-improvement-plan/)</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>Connected and cohesive communities</p>
<p>All other appropriate bodies have been invited to participate in this partnership</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>The Local Action Group partnership involves partners from the community, private and public sectors</p>
<p>The partnership ensures equality of opportunity for all and complies with statutory duties (equalities, socio-economic, town centres first principle) as required</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>The partnership has a document such as an agreement, remit or memorandum of association to define its role, powers and how it carries out its business</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>Local Development Strategy and Constitution</p>
<p>The partnership makes a formal annual report that includes annual accounts and performance to its members and other bodies if necessary</p>	<p>Partly <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>There is an annual report containing financial and performance information, but this does not include annual accounts which are part of Aberdeenshire Council's accounts.</p>
<p>Appropriate status and voting rights are accorded to the council in the partnership</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>Members of the partnership's top-level decision-making group can be recalled by their nominating bodies</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>The risks faced by the partnership are shared between partners</p>	<p>No <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>Aberdeenshire Council acts as Lead Partner/Accountable Body with the requirements of this role set out in a Service Level Agreement with the Scottish Government</p>
<p>Routine sharing of personal data will take place within the partnership</p>	<p>Partly <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>Information is primarily shared through a Scottish Government system. Privacy notices are in place.</p>

<p>If yes or partly, please consider if a Data Privacy Impact Assessment, an Information Sharing Agreement or a Privacy Notice is required. All guidance and templates can be found at this link https://aberdeenshire.sharepoint.com/sites/Arcadia/services/Pages/Business%20Services/ICT/Information%20Management%20and%20Record%20Management/Data%20Protection/Data%20Protection.aspx</p>		
<p>The partnership has a complaints process or agrees to adopt the complaints process of a member organisation</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>Meetings of the partnership's top-level decision-making group are open to the public</p>	<p>No <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>Minutes are publically available, but meetings are closed as they discuss confidential information such as grant applications.</p>
<p>The public is entitled to see reports considered by the partnership's top-level decision-making group</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>Minutes of the partnership's meetings are made publicly available</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>The partnership's top-level decision-making group has a quorum for meetings</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>Members of the partnership's top-level decision-making group are appointed for a limited period of time</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>There are agreed arrangements for dissolving the partnership</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>The partnership is time bound and is due to come to an end by March 2021.</p>
<p>There are clear arrangements for the council to exit the partnership</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>There is a procedure for ensuring members who declare conflicts of interest take no part in decision</p>	<p>Yes <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	
<p>The partnership recognises the obligations placed on Elected Members due to the Code of Conduct and has a procedure for ensuring members who</p>	<p>No <input type="button" value="v"/></p>	<p>Elected Members do not participate in the partnership</p>

declare conflicts of interest take no part in decision.		
Cost / Benefit Analysis	Response	
Please detail the staffing and financial implications of running the partnership, including those on other council services and partners	As Lead Partner, Aberdeenshire Council employs staff on behalf of the partnership (0.25 FTE Manager; 1.75 FTE Co-ordinator; 1.5 FTE Claims Officer). Funding is provided for these posts from the European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and Scottish Government. Additional support is required from Finance and Internal Audit to support and monitor the work of the partnership. The Council is underwriting up to £3.2m of expenditure through making payments to grant recipients in advance and recovering costs from the Scottish Government. There is a risk that if any expenditure is ineligible for reimbursement, the Council may face a financial liability and potentially a fine.	
Please state the source of any funding received by the partnership	European Agricultural Fund for Rural Development and Scottish Government	
Please describe the benefits of council participating in the partnership	The Council is able to secure additional resources and fund projects in Aberdeenshire which support its strategic objectives.	
The partnership is sustainable and is the best way of achieving its aims and outcomes	Yes <input type="button" value="v"/>	

APPENDIX 2 – RISK ASSESSMENT, NORTH ABERDEENSHIRE LOCAL ACTION GROUP

Partnership Name:		Completed by:			Date:	
North Aberdeenshire Local Action Group		Martin Brebner			30/07/2019	
All partnerships must be recorded in the Register of Partnerships on Arcadia						
This table assesses whether your partnership should be recorded as a significant partnership requiring a Risk Register (from the Risk Management Team).						
Please enter the score in the last column for the statement which most closely represents your partnership.						
Im pac t No.	Description	Minor (Score 1)	Important (Score 2)	Significant (Score 3)	Major (Score 4)	Scor e
1	The Council contributes to the partnership by direct funding and/or indirectly through staff resources, work done etc.)	< £10K per annum	£10K to < £50 k per annum	£50K to < £100k per annum	> £100k per annum	2
2	The partnership's success is critical to the achievement of one or more of the Council's Strategic Priorities.	Not directly linked to a strategic priority (this needs to be flagged up to the policy committee in this case)	Linked to a strategic priority	Significant contributor to success of a strategic priority	Essential to the achievement of a strategic priority	2
3	Failure of the partnership would have an impact on the Council's reputation.	Threat of adverse comment in local press or the equivalent that Corporate Communications consider to be of material concern to the Council.	Actual adverse comment in local press or the equivalent that Corporate Communications consider to be of material concern to the Council.	Individual press reports in national media that Corporate Communications consider being of material concern to the Council.	Concerted, widespread or recurrent critical coverage of the Council or for a specific event in the media	1
4	The extent to which partnership expenditure is controlled by the Council.	The Council has full control over expenditure decisions.	The Council has veto on expenditure decisions.	The Council is a party to expenditure decisions.	The Council has no control over expenditure.	2
5	The partnership takes decisions on behalf of or which are binding on the Council.	The Partnership does not take decisions on behalf of the Council	The Partnership does not take decisions on behalf of the Council but representatives with decision-making authority attend the partnership and consider	The Partnership does not take decisions on behalf of the Council but representatives with decision-making authority attend the partnership and agree to be	The partnership has decision-making responsibilities directly delegated to it from the Council.	3

			and influence its recommendations.	bound by its decisions.		
6	The Council has set up the partnership in order to receive additional funding and/or meet Statutory or Regulatory requirement.	Not required by law or to receive funding.	Indirect or limited links to successful achievement of funding.	Direct links to successful achievement of funding.	The Council is required to participate in this partnership by law or to receive specific funding.	4
Total Score						14
Maximum Possible Score						24
Impact %						58.3 3%
Evaluation					Not Significant	

APPENDIX 3 – PARTNERSHIP REVIEW, SOUTH ABERDEENSHIRE LOCAL ACTION GROUP

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The partnership's aims and any commitment of budget fit with the council's strategic plan and priorities (http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/council-and-democracy/council-plan)	Yes <input type="button" value="v"/>	
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<p>The partnership is sustainable and is the best way of achieving its aims and outcomes</p>	<p><input type="text" value="Yes"/></p> <hr/> <hr/>

APPENDIX 4 – RISK ASSESSMENT, SOUTH ABERDEENSHIRE LOCAL ACTION GROUP

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South Aberdeenshire Local Action Group		Martin Brebner			30/07/2019	
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Evaluation						Not Significant

APPENDIX 5 – OVERVIEW OF NORTH ABERDEENSHIRE PROJECTS

The development of multi-purpose, sustainable and productive community and/or business facilities, particularly using derelict sites and empty units		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Raising the Roof	1st Macduff Scout Group Ltd	£64,560.00
Fraserburgh South Links Sports Facilities Project	Fraserburgh South Links Sports Development Trust	£271,104.83
Open Up the Town House	Strichen Community Park Co	£15,502.00
Udny Hub Feasibility Study	Dr. Spence Memorial Hall SCIO	£6,804.00
Portsoy Hall Church Renovation and Development	Portsoy Church	£150,000.00
Beaton Hall Community Climate Challenge	Beaton Hall	£15,236.55
Forsyth Hall Annexe	Bellhelvie Parish Church	£139,999.83
TOTAL		£663,207.21
The provision of new or upgraded culture/tourism facilities		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Go Glamping at Aden	Buchan District Initiative	£29,991.51
Salmon Bothy Lift	Portsoy Community Enterprise	£85,600.59
Vanilla Inc: The Smiddy	Vanilla Inc.	£90,752.10
The Silversmiths Quarters	North East Scotland Preservation Trust	£155,554.00
Goukstone Eco-Breaks	Goukstone Croft	£44,923.91
TOTAL		£406,822.11
Access to and delivery of eServices such as digital health		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Digital Key Skills Workshops	Aberdeenshire Council	£47,499.00
TOTAL		£47,499.00
Improving priority sector competitiveness and collaboration		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Stores and Retail Outlet	CC Powell Ltd	£100,000.00
Fraserburgh Enterprise Hub	Enterprise North East Trust Ltd t/a Elevator	£149,549.23
Libraries Innovation Network Aberdeenshire	Robert Gordon University	£66,730.32
TOTAL		£316,279.55
Facilitating diversification from agriculture		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Straw Pellet Plant	S&J Duncan	£108,296.45
Cobblehouse Country Cabins	Cobblehouse Country Cabins	£60,000.00
Firwood Field Glamping	P M Stewart	£60,000.02
Tahuna Bothies	Tahuna Bothies	£61,077.37

Burnthill Farm Shop and Café Bistro	Colaren Farms Ltd.	£60,000.00
TOTAL		£349,373.84
The provision of training and employability support which complements sectoral diversification and other development efforts		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Boyndie Trust - Making Space	Boyndie Trust	£96,991.69
TOTAL		£96,991.69
The provision of bespoke facilities, activities or services targeted at supporting socially-excluded people and encouraging them to become more involved in community structures and activities.		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Social Integration of Migrant Workers	Aberdeenshire Council	£149,978.00
TOTAL		£149,978.00
International co-operation		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Effective Use of the Local Natural & Cultural Heritage Resources	Portsoy Community Enterprise	£77,135.57
TOTAL		£77,135.57
National co-operation		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Cultural Heritage and Marketing Project	University of Aberdeen	£59,086.75
North East INNS	Aberdeenshire Council	£57,104.77
Project Manager for the NE Rural Food and Drink Tourism Programme	Opportunity North East	£33,864.29
Educational Show Classroom	Royal Northern Countryside Initiative	£12,625.83
Green Spaces and Biodiversity Development Officers	Aberdeenshire Council	£65,053.00
Mountain Bike Aberdeenshire – Creating a Sustainable Tourism Product	Scottish Cycling Union	£5,230.89
TOTAL		£232,965.53
GRAND TOTAL		£2,411,704.70

APPENDIX 6 – OVERVIEW OF SOUTH ABERDEENSHIRE PROJECTS

Sustainable & active travel to connect rural communities		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Torphins Area Paths Feasibility	Torphins Path Group	£6,594.10
AB54 Path Network	Huntly and District Development Trust	£53,415.00
TOTAL		£60,009.10
Community facilities for the modern age		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Creation of a Fit for Purpose Learning Centre	Flycup Catering Ltd.	£158,742.00
Crathes Public Hall Redevelopment	Crathes Public Hall Trust (SCIO)	£13,272.00
Tornaveen Community Hub	Tornaveen Community Association	£47,009.90
Strachan Hall Redevelopment	Strachan Village Hall	£69,461.83
The Stonehaven Court Building Phase 1	Stonehaven Town Partnership	£27,778.06
Aboyne & Mid Deeside Community Shed	Aboyne & District Men's Shed	£186,246.49
Ballogie Community Hub	Ballogie Community Association	£32,725.24
Creating the Greenmyres EcoBothy	Huntly and District Development Trust	£98,824.55
TOTAL		£634,060.07
Improving priority sector competitiveness and co-operation		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Finzean Farm Shop	Finzean Farm Shop	£85,087.00
Indoor Riding and Driving Arena	Indoor Riding and Driving Arena	£99,999.99
Furniture Lodge Social Enterprise	Furniture Lodge Social Enterprise	£46,516.49
Huntly Town Centre Development Manager	Huntly Town Centre Development Manager	£42,773.38
C T Scott Workshop	C T Scott Workshop	£59,779.54
Huntly Heritage Bakery and Cooking Shop	Huntly Heritage Bakery and Cooking Shop	£35,267.60
TOTAL		£369,424.00
Facilitating diversification from agriculture		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Boghead Cottages	Mr and Mrs T Jackson - Boghead Farm	£47,951.17
TOTAL		£47,951.17
Promoting low carbon futures		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant

Community Resilience Workshop	Aberdeenshire Council	£8,820.00
Energising Bennachie Leisure Centre	Bennachie Leisure Centre Association	£26,813.00
TOTAL		£35,633.00
Protecting and enhancing the natural and marine environment		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Ury Riverside Park - LAG Commission	Aberdeenshire Council	£112,957.08
TOTAL		£112,957.08
Leisure and recreation for wellbeing		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Aboyne Canoe Club Storage Facility	Aboyne Canoe Club SCIO	£78,214.12
Stonehaven Men's Shed	Stonehaven and District Men's Shed (SDMS)	£37,410.30
TOTAL		£136,059.17
Celebrating and supporting arts, culture & heritage		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Improving Facilities at the Barn	Woodend Arts Ltd.	£115,702.93
SSW Capital Development Phase	Scottish Sculpture Workshop	£45,629.78
TOTAL		£161,332.71
Community capacity building		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
Huntly 2030	Aberdeenshire Council	£44,873.75
TOTAL		£44,873.75
National co-operation		
Project Name	Project Sponsor	LEADER Grant
North East INNS	Aberdeenshire Council	£82,175.16
Mountain Bike Aberdeenshire – Creating a Sustainable Tourism Product	Scottish Cycling Union	£62,770.63
Project Manager for the NE Rural Food and Drink Tourism Programme	Opportunity North East	£29,216.25
Cultural Heritage and Marketing Project	University of Aberdeen	£39,391.17
Educational Show Classroom	Royal Northern Countryside Initiative	£12,625.83
Green Spaces and Biodiversity Development Officers	Aberdeenshire Council	£65,053.00
TOTAL		£291,232.04
GRAND TOTAL		£1,893,532.08