

# Minutes of the 9th Meeting of the Mid Copeland GDF Community Partnership

Held at Drigg & Carleton Village Hall

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September 2022

Commencing at 15.00

PRESENT:

Andy Pratt Chair

Mark Fussell Gosforth Parish Council
Bob Jones Ponsonby Parish Council

Cllr David Moore Copeland Borough Council, Councillor & Nuclear Portfolio Holder

Julie Nugent Beckermet with Thornhill Parish Council

Gillian Johnston GDF Team, Community Engagement Manager – Mid Copeland Community

Partnership

Karen Warmoth Drigg and Carleton Parish Council

Yvonne Clarkson Business sector lead

# **Supporting Attendees:**

Phil Green GDF Team, Project Manager
Gill Thorne GDF Team, Communications Lead
Claire Dobson GDF Team, Community Coordinator
Jonathan Cook Copeland Borough Council, Officer

In attendance:

Dawn Walker GDF Team, Secretariat

# AGENDA 1: WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS TO INCLUDE DOI, MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND ACTION POINTS

Welcome from the Chair and introductions of attendees were carried out once all members were present. It was agreed that the previous minutes were an accurate record and were approved by the members. There were no Declarations of Interest.

Ref 210322	MEETING ACTION LOG	
<mark>21032201 02</mark>	The GDF Developer Team will produce a clearer brief	SLT
	regarding the distinction between NWS/LLWR/GDF	CEM
	Developer.	
	Completed	



25042202 05	ANDRA Meeting Secretariat will add the dates of the visit to the Community Partnership Members' calendars, this will include a link to the website. Complete	Secretariat
REF 230522	MEETING ACTION LOG	
23052202 01	Accountability Framework Social Value Database will be finalised and shared with Community Partnership members Completed	Community Engagement Team
23052202 02	Accountability Framework The information regarding the Test of Public Support will be collated in one place by the GDF Developer for ease of access Ongoing. CET will establish progress once programme of Activities has been agreed	GDF Developer Community Engagement Manager
23052203 03	Local Government Reorganisation The GDF Developer will present potential options regarding the inclusion/exclusion of wards within each Community Partnership for discussion with members.  Completed	GDF Developer Community Engagement Manager
REF 040722	MEETING ACTION LOG	
040722 0201	Marine Geophysical Survey Share Cetacean Stranding's Investigation Programme data with Community Partnership members – Completed	Stakeholder Relations Team
040722 0202	Marine Geophysical Survey The GDF Developer will liaise with national groups who deal with instances of beachings of live sea life – Completed	Stakeholder Relations Team
040722 0203	Marine Geophysical Survey The GDF Developer will share the 24/7 incident number with the Community Partnership members - Completed	Stakeholder Relations Team
040722 0204	Marine Geophysical Survey The Q&A submitted by a Community Partnership member would be shared with the members - Completed	Community Engagement Team
040722 0305	Yonder Survey Update The Community Engagement Manager and a member of the Community Partnership would discuss offline the possibility of attending community events – Completed	Community Engagement Manager and Community Partnership Member
040722 0306	Yonder Survey Update The Campaigns Team will liaise with local businesses within the survey area to advise of the interviewer's activity in the area – Completed	Campaigns Team



040722 0507	Recruitment The Community Engagement Team will share the draft recruitment documents with the Community Partnership members for feedback - Completed	Community Engagement Team
040722 0608	CIF Update Community Partnership members will contact the Community Engagement Team members to arrange Community Investment Panel Familiarisation training – Complete	ALL
040722 0709	Date, Time, and Location of Next Meeting Community Engagement Team to secure a suitable venue for the next Community Partnership meeting - Completed	Community Engagement Team

Ref 01082022	MEETING ACTION LOG
Agenda 3	The CEM and Comms Lead to investigate the possibility of an onlineguide for
01082022 1	applications Ongoing
Agenda 3	CIF lead to attend the next meeting of the community partnership to discuss
01082022 2	solutions in the CIF process.
Aganda 2	Complete  Availability of CID training dates for mambers. Complete
Agenda 3 01082022 3	Availability of CIP training dates for members. Complete
Agenda 3	Chair of the CIP discussion to be added to the next meeting agenda.
01082022 4	Complete
Agenda 3	Recruitment for Partnership members to be added to the next agenda.
01082022 6	Complete
Agenda 3	To reopen the recruitment process in a couple of weeks. Complete on agenda
01082022 6	for 5 <sup>th</sup> September
Agenda 3	Share the proposal for public meetings with the Partnership once created.
01082022 7	On today's Agenda
Agenda 3	Teams invite to be circulated for members to attend the Workforce Report
01082022 8	meeting. Completed 15 <sup>th</sup> August 22
Agenda 5	Share the slides with Partnership members and request questions to be sent
01082022 1	back by members for discussion at the next LGR meeting. Complete
Agenda 5	NWS to explore the options for the Partnership and present them at a future
01082022 2	meeting. Ongoing
Agenda 6	To create a short, memorable, and clear mission statement.
01082022 1	Complete
Agenda 6	To create a simple timeline of Programme of Activities. Ongoing
01082022 2	



# **AGENDA 2: CHAIR'S REPORT**

The Chair informed the members that Gosforth Agricultural show had been a successful event, approximately 150 people engaged with the Community Partnership team on the day. The Chair will be attending the NDA Stakeholder Conference in Edinburgh on the 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> of September, event feedback to the members will be actioned at the next meeting. The Chair informed the members that a new Secretariat would be joining the Partnership from the 24<sup>th</sup> October and would be introduced to the members at the next meeting. The four Chairs from each Partnership have a monthly meeting with the GDF developer's senior leadership team, no decisions are made at these meetings, it is used more as a forum for discussions.

AGENDA: LOCAL GOVERNMENT RESTRCUTURE -follow up

Deferred to a later date.

#### **AGENDA 3: COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE**

The Comms Lead gave an update on progress for a fourth newsletter and press release on CIF funding, plus media enquiries and activity in the coming weeks. Options were also presented and discussed for a different style of newsletter which could be posted out to homes in the Search Area as well as offering a digital version for subscribers.

Action: New design newsletter to be published from 2023

# **AGENDA 4: CIF PROCEDURES**

The Head of GDF Programme Social Impact joined the meeting to answer queries relating to the possibility of an alteration of the end date for the first year's CIF. Although the Partnership formed on the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2021, the first CIF panel meeting wasn't until 9<sup>th</sup> February 2022. After discussion the members requested clarity on some policy issues and flexibility on the end date of the first year's CIF.

Discussion papers will be produced by the GDF developer to give clarity on some of these questions. Q. If a Partnership is withdrawn and we have committed a three-year spend will these funds still be awarded.

A. Yes, the committed spend will still be available. Although once the Partnership had closed, consideration needs to be given to the impact this may have in the community i.e., a negative or positive perception that the developer is still trying to work with the community although its Partnership had withdrawn from the process.

**Action:** Clarity on 3-year funding policy.

Action: Clarity on flexibility of the end date dependant on the CIF spend

# **AGENDA 5: RECRUITMENT**

The previous recruitment process had successfully appointed a new business sector member to the Partnership, but further sectors still required members, Youth, Farming and Tourism. The Community Engagement Manager (CEM) gave the members some feedback from a previous applicant that consideration should be given to a flexible criteria selection, and trial membership appointments.

The CP chose to stay with the current plan for recruitment of members from Youth, Tourism and Farming. It was noted that it needs to be clear that the applicants need to have feedback into those



sectors for which they are applying and live in the search area with local knowledge. The Comms Lead and CEM were tasked with looking at an advertising strategy.

Action: The Comms lead and CEM to produce an advertising strategy for recruitment

### **AGENDA 6: MEETINGS IN PUBLIC**

The CEM informed the members that the draft document (circulated) for meetings in public was currently being reviewed by the GDF developer would be shared again once the CP members had commented and approval was in place.

In summary - The public could submit questions in advance of the meeting or ask in person, there would be a 15-minute slot on the agenda each month for public participation. If it was deemed to be necessary anything of a confidential matter could be heard in private papers as is council protocol. The agenda and venue would be published on the CP website one week before the meeting. In principle the members agreed that the meeting on the 31<sup>st</sup> October should be the first to be held in public.

**Action:** The document was shared with the Partnership and requested feedback to be returned by Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September.

#### **AGENDA 7: AOB**

**CIF PANEL UPDATE:** The CEC updated the Partnership on the latest round of successful awards made at the Panel meeting held on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022 a total of £110.318.00 was awarded to seven different organisations:

- Seascale Tennis Club £7,541
- West Lakes U3A £2,300
- West Cumbria Rivers Trust £9,983
- Wasdale Mountain Rescue Team £75,497
- Gosforth Indoor Bowling club £3,483
- Gosforth Amateur Dramatic Society £9,500
- Drigg Local History Group £2,014

Two applications were deferred, and the applicants asked to provide additional information to support a final decision.

A further three applications are in assessment for the next panel in September with a combined grant request of £106,738, three further large applications (>£50,000) are anticipated.

The total amount of £393.000 plus a further £106.000 taking the total award funding to approx. £500.000, there are other applications in the pipeline at early stages of applications.

**Action:** The CEC to circulate an updated spend and paid funding update.

**CIF CHAIR**: A member had suggested having separate Chairs for the Partnership and the CIF panel, after discussion the members decided to leave the current CIF Panel Chair in office until the end of the first year and then review on a yearly basis.

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- As we near the end of our first operational year, the current Terms of Reference and Community Partnership agreement will be reviewed by CP members.
- It was agreed to facilitate a workshop for Programme of Activity, dates to be circulated to members.
- Community Engagement pop in events will commence 27<sup>th</sup> September to 20<sup>th</sup> October, the members agreed to some additional targeted events offering specific information on CIF, membership recruitment, meet the partnership members etc.
- The Baseline Surveys are almost 50% complete. One more date of street surveying is to be completed, along with approximately 20 telephone surveys. The CEM will then review with the supplier.

Action: The Partnership to review the terms of reference and community Partnership document

Action: Targeted events in the next round of Community Engagement Events

**Action:** Workshop for Programme of Activities.

Next Partnership Meeting date: 31<sup>st</sup> October 2022 Venue: Calderbridge Village Hall

Time: 3.00pm

Ref 05092022	MEETING ACTION LOG
Agenda 3	New design newsletter to be published from January 2023
05092022 2	
Agenda 4	Clarity on 3-year funding policy.
05092022 1	
Agenda 4	Clarity on flexibility of the end date dependant on the CIF spend
05092022 2	
Agenda 4	Update the CIF training for panel members
05092022 3	Completed directly before the meeting on 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept
Agenda 5	The Comms lead and CEM to produce an advertising strategy for recruitment
05092022 1	
Agenda 6	The policy document was shared with the Partnership and requested
05092022 1	feedback to be returned by Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> September.
Agenda 7	The CEC to get an updated spend and paid funding update
05092022 1	
Agenda 7	The Partnership to review the terms of reference and community Partnership
05092022 2	document

Ref 05092022	Decision Log
Agenda 3	Group and individual photos of Partnership members.
05092022 1	Completed at the meeting on the 5 <sup>th</sup>
Agenda 7	Targeted events in the next round of Community Engagement Events
05092022 3	
Agenda 7	Workshop for Programme of Activities.
05092022 4	

