



Lisburn & Castlereagh
**Strategic Community
Planning Partnership**



Statement of Progress

November 2019

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What have we done?

The vision:

An empowered, prosperous, healthy, safe and inclusive community.

The mission:

Working together to deliver better lives for all.

"We have been to like so many interesting places and met so many people from like all different places and backgrounds. I've learned lots about myself and other people and no matter where we are from we all have similar problems and interests."

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBER

"So far the corporate Vitality membership has been working brilliantly and the kids are getting great use out of this alongside the staff. Anything that saves money whilst promoting healthy activities is a fantastic addition to our tool kit. The council is great to deal with and understands our needs and was more than flexible in producing unnamed membership cards, stating staff and young people. It saves a fortune and certainly my recommendation would be for all of our homes to have this facility on an on-going basis. Many thanks."

CORPORATE VITALITY MEMBER

Theme 1: Children and Young People

Outcome: Our children and young people have the best start in life



Between 2012 and 2018 the percentage of **care leavers** in education, training or employment rose from **37%** to **47%**. To increase this further the Community Planning Partnership is working collaboratively to **create opportunities** for training and job taster sessions, work placements and apprenticeship schemes.



1206 children and **accompanying adults** were involved in the delivery of projects associated with the **Local Biodiversity Action Plan** in 2018/2019.



The Youth Council has been involved in **five** statutory consultations, **four** residential programmes, an **international study trip to Bilbao**, and carried out peer research with **300 young people** in 2018/19.



Nine nursery schools in the area delivered the 9-week **Early Talk Boost Programme** in 2018/19. **100%** of the **116 school children** who took part **improved their skills** in attention & listening, language, understanding, words & sentences, language speaking and communication, personal, social and emotional skills.

Theme 2: The Economy

Outcome: Everyone benefits from a vibrant economy



In 2018-19 there were **151 new business start-ups** in LCCC area.



Between 2014-15 and 2018-19 **Invest NI** provided **£42m** to **427 businesses** in Lisburn & Castlereagh for business development.



88% of businesses which started in 2016 were still in operation in 2017.



The **average earnings** of people living in Lisburn & Castlereagh is **£24,934** in 2018/19.



There has been an **increase in tourism spend** in LCCC area from **£26.6m** in 2017 to **£30.5m** in 2018.



From 2017 to 2018 the **number of overnight trips** in the LCCC area **increased by 26%**.



In support of tourism initiatives, **80 local businesses** completed accreditation through the council and Tourism NI **Initiative for World Host** in the summer of 2018.

Theme 3: Health and Wellbeing

Outcome: We live healthy, fulfilling and long lives



A **Sport NI investment of £108,238** for 2018/19 to LCCC was used to encourage an **increase** in the number of people in the council area adopting and sustaining a **physically active lifestyle** in line with the published Community Plan.



93% of adults reported that their frequency of taking part in sport or physical activity had increased. **71% of adults** indicated that taking part has made their health and fitness **much better**.



Parkruns in Wallace Park started in 2013 with 94 participants and seven volunteers. In 2019 the figures were **291 participants** and **29 volunteers**.



There were **6179 participants** in the **Every Body Active 2020** programme in the LCCC area in 2018/2019.



In 2018/2019 **796 girls, 24 leaders** and **five teachers** engaged in the Girls Active Programme.



57% of schools in LCCC area were engaged in **CPR/AED training** in 2018/19.



The **C-SAW project** shifted some of its focus to outdoor activities and in a recent **'Social Return on Investment'** assessment it was found that **for every £1 invested in C-SAW, £10 is generated in social value**.

Theme 4: Where We Live

Outcome: We live and work in attractive, resilient and environmentally-friendly places



Between 2015/2016 and 2018/2019 the **percentage of household waste reused, recycled or composted** in the LCCC area rose from **42%** to **46%**. The council aims to increase this to **50%** in 2020.



Walking and cycling along the **Comber Greenway** has shown an **increase in use** from **628,380** in 2015 to **678,490** in 2017.



Feedback from the **Village Renewal Project** in 2018/19 has shown that **100% of the communities** in the villages who worked in partnership to complete plans now feel they have a framework for the improvement of their village.



Passenger flow increased by over **92,000** between 2016/17 and 2017/18 at the five train halts in the Lisburn area (Lisburn, Moira, Derriaghy, Lambeg and Hilden).



Park and Ride utilisation has **increased 57%** from October 2016 to October 2018 in five areas (Moira, Sprucefield, Blacks Road, Cairnshill and Dundonald), with Dundonald alone seeing an **increase of 38%**.

Theme 5: Our Community

Outcome: We live in empowered, harmonious, safe and welcoming communities



122 organisations were involved in volunteering in the LCCC area as of 31 March 2019 and **1107 volunteers** from the LCCC area were involved in activities.



There were **13 new Neighbourhood Watch Schemes** set up from January to September 2019, bringing the total to **87 schemes** with **213 co-ordinators** reaching **7000 homes**.



Since the **Balmoral Show 2019**, there have been **76 Farm Watch schemes** set up across LCCC.



After **three Mini Melas** from July-August 2018, there was a **68% increase** in participants who think that the culture and traditions of the **minority ethnic community** add to the **richness and diversity** of Northern Ireland.



After **International Children's Day 2019** there was a **56% increase** in the number of participants who are more favourable towards people from an ethnic background as a result of the event.



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