










# COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT GROUP

## Workstream Status

Ref	Workstream	Lead Organisation, Project Manager	Timescale	Progress RAG	Summary and Reason for RAG
CE.1	Community Empowerment Strategy	ACC, Michelle Cochlan ACC, Margaret Stewart GREC, Dave Black ACVO, Maggie Hepburn	Nov 22		Community Empowerment Strategy in draft following feedback from padlet exercise to engage stakeholders and communities. Consultation phase will take place during October with a view to submitting to CPA Board on 30 November 2022.
CE.2	Community Learning and Development Plan	ACC, Colin Wright	Oct 22		Proposals for CLD reporting arrangements to the CEG approved at the meeting in August. The first Annual Report against the CLD Plan will be submitted to the CEG in October 2022.
CE.3	City Voice	ACC, Anne McAteer	Apr 23		Implementation of improvement actions following the review of City Voice are on track. First survey scheduled to be undertaken this year.
CE.4	Community Stories	ACC, Martin Wyllie ACVO, TBC	Ongoing		In addition to case studies and videos, a new podcast is being developed.
CE.5	Locality Empowerment Groups/ Priority Neighbourhood Partnerships	ACHSCP, Stuart Lamberton ACC, Paul Tytler	Ongoing		This area has been flagged as a risk due to resource issues in relation to the integrated locality planning team which is having an impact on engagement with communities. A meeting is taking place in September to explore how issues can be resolved.
CE.6	Participation and Asset Transfer Requests	Civic Forum, Jonathan Smith	Ongoing		Collaborating with SCDC to encourage a consistent approach to outcome improvement process across Scotland whether through a formal participation request or proactive involvement of communities in improvement projects.
CE.7	Aberdeen Responsible Business	ACC, Michelle Cochlan ACVO, Maggie Hepburn	Jan 23		See improvement project 3.1 for overview of progress. Awaiting update from ACVO on whether proposals to join up with ACVO affiliates scheme will go ahead. Aberdeen Responsible Business Event taking place in November.
CE.8	Community funding/ participatory budgeting	ACVO, Maggie Hepburn ACC, Susan Thoms	TBC		The scope of this workstream will be confirmed within the new Community Empowerment Strategy. The Council is currently progressing a PB toolkit which has potential to be developed for a CPP wide audience.
CE.9	Community Empowerment Network	ACC, Michelle Cochlan ACVO, Maggie Hepburn	Ongoing		The third Community Empowerment Network taking place on 28 July 2022 via zoom.

## Key Outcomes/Activity

The refresh of the City Voice panel is complete. Targeted recruitment will follow to address any under represented communities and adhoc additions to the panel will continue to maintain a representative panel. The revised Community Empowerment is now in draft and consultation will take place during October and November. A third Community Empowerment Network event was held in August 2022.

## Key Issues/Risks

Locality Planning community engagement is being highlighted as a risk due to resource issues impacting on the Priority Neighbourhood Partnerships and Locality Empowerment Groups. A meeting is due to take place on 27 September 2022 to identify mitigation actions. The increase in the cost of living is also a risk which may impact on the capacity of communities to engage in their community.