

Report

Report to: Date of Meeting: Report by:

# Community Wealth Building Commission 7 February 2022 Executive Director (Finance and Corporate Resources)

Community Wealth Building Annual Report Proposal

#### 1. Purpose of Report

- 1.1. The purpose of the report is to:-
  - Present a proposal for an annual report on the progress of Community Wealth Building in South Lanarkshire.

#### 2. Recommendation(s)

- 2.1. The Commission is asked to approve the following recommendation(s):-
  - (1) that work commence on an annual report as set out in section 4; and
  - (2) that a draft annual report be brought to the Commission in early summer 2022 for approval.

#### 3. Background

- 3.1. The council approved a Community Wealth Building Strategy on 10 March 2021. Subsequently, the Community Wealth Building Commission was set up to engage a wide range of partners and stakeholders in the CWB agenda.
- 3.2. In August 2021 the Commission approved an action plan for delivery of the CWB strategy. The action plan contained a range of actions over a three- to five-year timeframe setting out how the aspirations of the strategy could be progressed for each of the 5 pillars of CWB.
- 3.3. This report presents a proposal for an annual report to highlight progress over the first year of the strategy, showcase examples of significant work under the 5 pillars, and further explain the importance of CWB and why the council and partners believe CWB is an important way of working in South Lanarkshire.

### 4. Annual Report Proposal

- 4.1. The Commission agreed in August 2021 to monitor the CWB action plan through progress reports at Q2 and Q4, covering the periods April to September and April to March respectively. The Q2 report was presented to the Commission in October 2021.
- 4.2. While the performance reports provide an update on the progress of the action plan, there is scope to reach a wider audience and to enhance communications around the CWB agenda by presenting progress in a more accessible format. An annual report offers the opportunity to take stock of what has been achieved in the first year of the strategy and to restate the aspirations of the council and partners to champion CWB across all aspects of service planning and delivery.

Subject:

- 4.3. The annual report would not replace the formal reporting of Q2 and Q4 progress, but would be a more public-facing and accessible presentation of information, using graphics, case studies and design elements to convey key messages. The report would cover the period April 2021 to the end of March 2022. Branding developed for the CWB strategy would be applied to the final document and a communications plan developed to ensure the report is widely disseminated to appropriate audiences.
- 4.4. This following table offers a suggestion as to the structure and content of the annual report

Contents	What this will contain
Introduction	Written by the Chair of the CWB Commission, this will look back over the year and note key milestones as well as point to the continuing work of the Commission going forward
What is CWB	What is CWB and why are we doing it. This would revisit the background to CWB within the CWB strategy and update as appropriate.
Progress	<ul> <li>This section of the annual report would take each pillar in turn and:</li> <li>review the objectives and high level actions</li> <li>highlight progress</li> <li>provide case studies to illustrate the work of the council and partners under this pillar</li> <li>indicate the key next steps</li> </ul>
What next	This section will look at what next for CWB in South Lanarkshire
How to find out more/get involved	This will provide information on where to find out more about CWB and options for getting involved locally

4.5. If the Commission agrees to this proposal, the CWB Progress Group will begin work on the annual report with a view to drafting the document by May 2022. The draft annual report would be brought to the next meeting of the Commission for approval.

### 5. Employee Implications

5.1. There are no direct employee implications.

### 6. Financial Implications

6.1. There are no direct financial implications.

### 7. Climate Change, Sustainability and Environmental Implications

7.1. There are no climate change implications as a result of this report.

### 8. Other Implications

8.1. None.

### 9. Equality Impact Assessment and Consultation Arrangements

9.1. This report does not introduce a new policy, function or strategy or recommend a change to an existing policy, function or strategy and therefore no impact assessment is required.

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13 January 2022

# Link(s) to Council Objectives/Values/Ambitions

• Achieve results through leadership, good governance and organisational effectiveness

#### **Previous References**

• None

### List of Background Papers

• None

### **Contact for Further Information**

If you would like to inspect the background papers or want further information, please contact:-

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