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DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE WISHAW/SHOTTS CONSORTIUM

INTRODUCTION

This development plan outlines the steps necessary to establish and operate a consortium with the primary goal of supporting the development, preparation, and agreement of a locality Community Solutions Improving Lives Development Plan. The plan also details the consortium's roles in strengthening local Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS) capacity, managing funding allocations, promoting service directories, participating in wider consortia, and facilitating community engagement.

Objective 1: Develop Locality Development Plan (LDP) for Wishaw/Shotts – Yearly

Establish Working Group

- Form a working group with representatives from the Health and Social Care Partnership (HSCP), Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire (VANL), the CVS, the locality consortium, and other stakeholders.
- Schedule regular meetings to coordinate LDP development.

Gather Data and Insights

- Review HSCP Locality Profiles and NL Community Planning Locality Profiles.
- Analyse relevant Local Outcome Improvement Plans (LOIPs).
- Conduct surveys, focus groups, and forums to gather views from stakeholders.

Draft LDP

- Compile data and insights into a draft LDP.
- Ensure the plan addresses local needs and priorities.

Stakeholder Review

- Present the draft LDP to stakeholders for feedback.
- Revise the plan based on stakeholder input.

Finalise LDP

- Seek agreement on the final LDP from all consortium members.
- Publish and distribute the LDP to relevant parties.

Monitor and Review

- Review progress at each Locality Consortium meeting.
- Conduct an annual review and refresh the plan each spring

Objective 2: Strengthen Local CVS Capacity – Ongoing

Identify Capacity Needs

- Assess the current capacity of local CVS organisations.
- Identify areas needing improvement or support.

Identify Support Programs

- Signpost to training programs, workshops, and resource materials based on identified needs.
- Collaborate with the Community Solutions and VANL staff.
- Provide ongoing assistance and resources.

Evaluate Impact

- Gather feedback from CVS organisations on the effectiveness of support programs.

Objective 3: Manage Funding Awards – Ongoing

Develop Funding Criteria

- Establish criteria for funding awards in line with LDP priorities and LAF Guidance provided by VANL.

Call for Proposals

- Announce funding opportunities to local CVS organisations.
- Provide guidance on proposal submission.

Evaluate Proposals

- Form a review committee to assess funding proposals.
- Ensure transparency and manage conflicts of interest.

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Award Funding

- Distribute award documentation to Community Solutions
- Provide support for project implementation.

Monitor Funded Projects

- Track progress and outcomes of funded projects.
- Ensure compliance with funding guidelines.
- Report Outcomes 6 monthly to Community Solutions

Objective 4: Promote ALISS Service Directory – Ongoing

Raise Awareness

- Conduct workshops and information sessions to promote the ALISS service directory.
- Distribute promotional materials to local CVS organisations.

Train CVS Organisations

- Identify Training on how to use and update the ALISS directory.
- Offer ongoing support for maintaining accurate information.

Monitor Usage

- Track usage and updates of the ALISS directory by local CVS organisations.
- Encourage regular updates to ensure information remains current.

Objective 5: Participate in NL-wide Consortia – Ongoing

Engage in Consortia Activities

- Attend NL-wide consortia and Community Solutions meetings.
- Participate in Learning and Improvement events.

Share Knowledge and Best Practices

- Exchange insights and experiences with other consortia.
- Implement best practices in local operations.

Report Progress

- Provide updates on local activities and progress towards LDP goals.

Objective 6: Facilitate Community Engagement – Ongoing

Conduct Engagement Activities

- Organise meetings, forums, and events.
- Use social media, newsletters, and other channels to reach the community.

Collect and Analyse Feedback

- Gather feedback from community members on program activities.
- Use feedback to inform LDP updates and other consortium activities.

Enhance Understanding and Collaboration

- Promote understanding of Community Solutions, the HSCP, and community planning among residents.
- Foster collaboration between community members and these initiatives.

Conclusion

This development plan sets the framework for establishing and operating the consortium to achieve its remit effectively. Regular monitoring, evaluation, and adaptation will ensure the consortium remains responsive to local needs and priorities, ultimately improving the lives of residents within the locality.

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