

**CLACKMANNANSHIRE COUNCIL**

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**Report to Clackmannanshire Council**

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**Date of Meeting: 16 December 2021**

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**Subject: Wellbeing Hub Update**

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**Report by: Strategic Director (People)**

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**1.0 Purpose**

- 1.1. This paper provides Council with an update on progress with the development of the new Wellbeing Hub for Clackmannanshire and Interim Provision.

**2.0 Recommendations**

- 2.1. It is recommended that Council:
- 2.2. Agrees to the two possible sites to be included in the Options Appraisal (para 3.2)
- 2.3. Agrees to the principles to be applied to the Options Appraisal (para 3.3)
- 2.4. Notes progress made with Engagement (paras 3.4 and 3.5)
- 2.5. Notes Ongoing Swimming arrangements at Dollar Academy (para 3.6)
- 2.6. Notes Progress with the procurement of an Interim Pool (paras 3.7)
- 2.7. Notes Progress with the demolition of the Alloa Leisure Bowl (para 3.8).

**3.0 Considerations**

Following approval and agreement by Council on 21 October, progress has been made in a number of areas.

- 3.1 Work on an Options Appraisal to consider the viability, feasibility and needs of a new Wellbeing Hub has now progressed with Hub East Central. The study will consider a long list of options, including taking learning from elsewhere. It is expected that a report from this work will provide a short list of options (maximum three) and concept design. This should be available by May 2022. This will inform a Business Case (RIBA Stage 2) which will be brought to Council for consideration.

- 3.2 Two possible sites have so far been identified within Alloa and will be considered as part of the Options Appraisal process.

Alloa West – see map at **Appendix 1**

The former Alloa Leisure Bowl site.

- 3.3 In considering the options, and in line with the feedback from both strategic and public engagement, HubCo have been requested to apply the principles of:

- Community Wealth Building
- Environmental Sustainability
- Affordability and Inclusivity
- Accessibility

- 3.4 Engagement continues with a number of key stakeholders. Team Wellbeing has been established which is tasked with ensuring ongoing engagement with key interest groups such as Alloa Swimming Club, Alloa Bowlers, private and partners providers, to ensure that they are fully engaged as the programme continues to progress. The Active Communities Group (full membership at **Appendix 2**) will be a key group going forward and regular meetings are being put in the diary to ensure that the project continues to be community led as it progresses through the design stage and complete RIBA Process.

- 3.5 A new web pages have been developed which raise awareness of existing activities and leisure opportunities within Clackmannanshire to make it easier for residents to see the range of what is already available and how to book. The web pages also provide ongoing updates on the Wellbeing Hub for the public as the project progresses. (See link in para 11 Background Papers)

- 3.6 Interim Swimming continues to be offered at Dollar Academy and for children with additional support needs at Alloa Academy Hydrapool.

- 3.7 As agreed at Council on 21 October, the procurement journey for an Interim Swimming Pool has progressed. In line with procurement requirements, an award has been made for the Concept Design Stage for a Interim Pool. A full Business Case, outlining detailed options and costs will come forward to Council, including costs to allow P5 Swimming lessons as part of the Interim arrangement.

- 3.8 As agreed by Council on 31 May 2021, the plans for demolition of Alloa Leisure Bowl are now progressing. The process for procurement for the demolition has now commenced.

## 4.0 Sustainability Implications

- 4.1 Clackmannanshire Council has committed to developing a comprehensive Climate Change Strategy within the next 12 months which will deliver a framework to ensure that all strategic decisions, budgets and approaches to planning decisions are in line with a shift to net zero greenhouse gas emissions by 2045.
- 4.2 In the absence of this strategy, guidance is provided in the Scottish Government's Net Zero Public Sector Buildings Standard. This standard was developed by the Net Zero team at the Scottish Futures Trust in collaboration with Zero Waste Scotland and Health Facilities Scotland with input from across the construction and public sectors in Scotland.

## 5.0 Resource Implications

### 5.1 *Financial Details*

The full financial implications will be set out in full within the business case and any revenue and capital implications considered within the context of the budget.

### 5.2 *Staffing*

The support of a Professional Adviser is now in place following a successful procurement exercise. The Adviser will maximise strategic engagement and seek potential investment in the Wellbeing Hub. There continues to be considerable interest in the development from Heath, University of Stirling and other key partners. Sport Scotland are continuing to provide staffing support as well as professional advice.

Further staffing support is being progressed through the Be the Future Programme Management Office, in particular for Public Engagement and Project Management (Construction). Overall Programme Management is still a gap in the project and will be raised through the Be the Future Programme.

## 6.0 Exempt Reports

- 6.1 Is this report exempt? Yes  (please detail the reasons for exemption below) No

## 7.0 Declarations

The recommendations contained within this report support or implement our Corporate Priorities and Council Policies.

- (1) **Our Priorities** (Please double click on the check box )

Clackmannanshire will be attractive to businesses & people and ensure fair opportunities for all	✓
Our families; children and young people will have the best possible start in life	✓
Women and girls will be confident and aspirational, and achieve their full potential	✓
Our communities will be resilient and empowered so that they can thrive and flourish	✓

(2) **Council Policies** (Please detail)

**8.0 Equalities Impact**

8.1 Have you undertaken the required equalities impact assessment to ensure that no groups are adversely affected by the recommendations?  
 Yes  No

**9.0 Legality**

9.1 It has been confirmed that in adopting the recommendations contained in this report, the Council is acting within its legal powers. Yes  No

**10.0 Appendices**

Appendix 1 – Alloa West Site Map

Appendix 2 – Active Communities Groups

**11.0 Background Papers**

11.1 Have you used other documents to compile your report? (All documents must be kept available by the author for public inspection for four years from the date of meeting at which the report is considered)

Yes  (please list the documents below) No


Link to the Leisure Website: <https://www.clacks.gov.uk/leisure/>

[https://www.sustainabilityexchange.ac.uk/files/nzpsb\\_standard\\_22march2021.pdf](https://www.sustainabilityexchange.ac.uk/files/nzpsb_standard_22march2021.pdf)

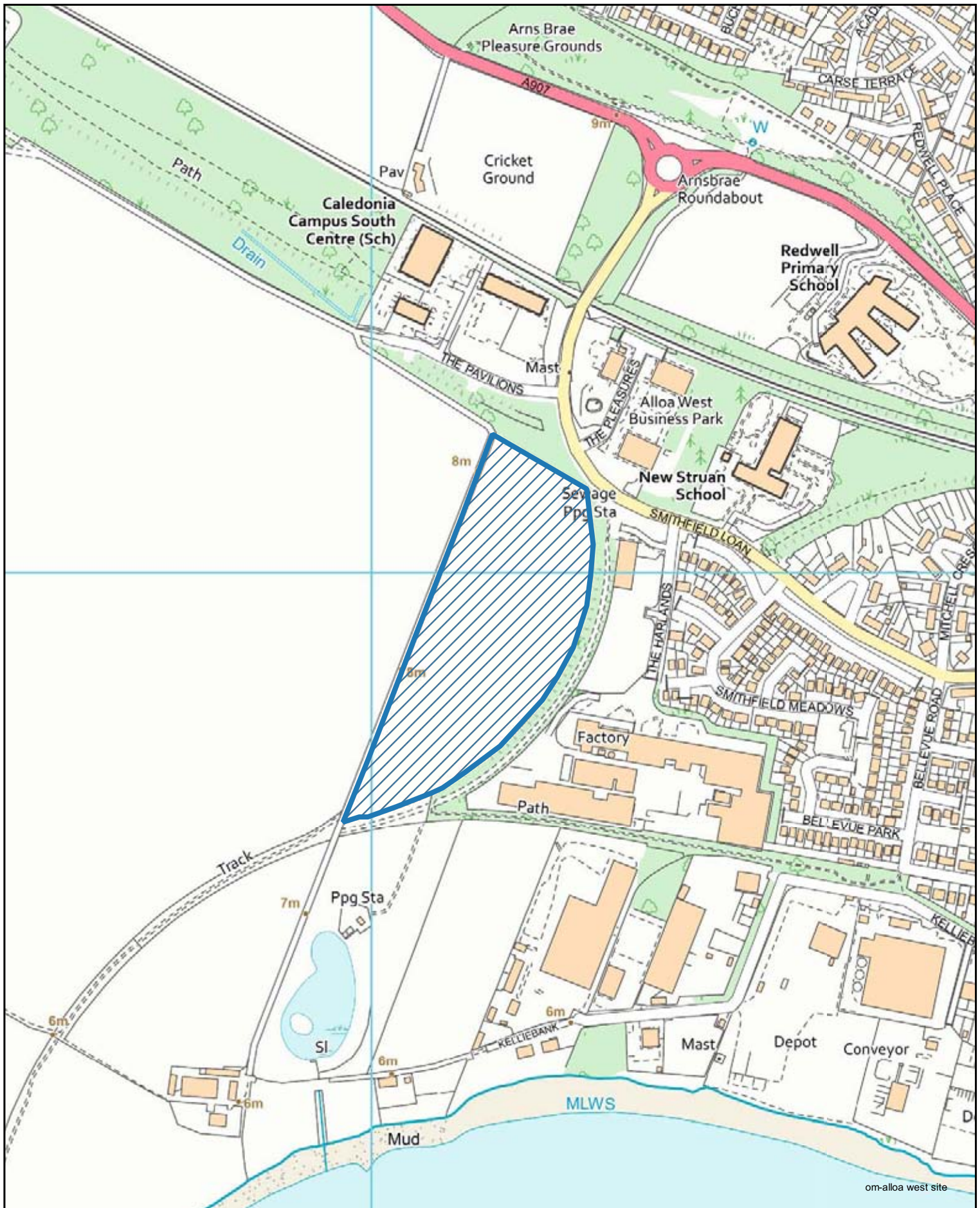
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## Land at Alloa West Smithfield Loan Alloa

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## **Appendix 2**

### **Active Communities Groups**

- SportsScotland
- HubCo
- Sports Development
- Community Learning Development
- Clackmannanshire Third Sector Interface
- Clackmannan Development Trust
- Dumyat Centre
- NHS Forth Valley
- Braveheart
- Dollar Academy - Futures initiative
- Clackmannanshire Sports Council
- Scottish Disability Sport
- Sauchie Active 8
- Wild Wimmin
- Clackmannanshire Tenant's and Resident Association
- Active Schools
- Lornhill Active Travel Hub
- Clackmannanshire Council Energy and Sustainability

