

## THIRD SECTOR DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY

## **REPORT OF MEETINGS**

**South of Scotland Regional Economic Partnership** 

5<sup>th</sup> November 2021

THIRD SECTOR DUMFRIES AND GALLOWAY SUMMARY

Working together to put our sector first Dumfries and Galloway's Third Sector Interface

## **KEY POINTS**

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- 1. The main matter for discussion at today's REP meeting was the delivery plan which will support the regional economic strategy. The delivery plan is for three years to be reviewed annually.
- 2. The actions are focused on the bigger collaborative actions, the plan recognises that individual partners will have their own actions in addition.
- 3. There has been an ambitious attitude to the delivery plan.
- 4. It has involved extensive engagement with six workshops and a series of drop-in sessions and the opportunity to offer written submissions.
- 5. The whole process has been guided by a strategy reference group where I represent the third sector.
- 6. The delivery plan is based on the six strategy priorities and has the next level of detail about how these aims will be achieved.
- 7. The plan is being designed by the team in DGC.
- 8. The next step is to go to the two councils and South of Scotland Enterprise board for sign off; other partners will be asked to seek endorsement from other delivery partners.
- 9. The plan can be circulated through business and communities after that.
- 10. There was concern about a perceived lack of conviction in the wording about the national park in the delivery plan but the consensus was to retain the wording as is.
- 11. The delivery plan was formally endorsed by the REP.
- 12. The second part of the meeting was concerned with the next steps.
- 13. These steps will include a plan for endorsement from each delivery partner and a measurement framework for outcomes.
- 14. There will be a review of governance arrangements for driving forward the delivery plan-likely to mean that the reference group will continue.
- 15. There was confirmation that the national agencies are already signed up to the RES and are unlikely to hold up the delivery plan.

16. The next REP meeting will be in December which will focus on forward planning.	