

Welcome, Introductions and Objectives of this meeting (Attendee list located at Annex A)
Angela Nisbet (chair) opened the meeting and welcomed attendees, including Kirsty Peden, Scott McMeeken and Kirsty Miller from Dumfries and Galloway Council, who facilitated the workshop element of the session.

The Chair noted with concern the number of non-attendees, particularly given the scheduled strategy development workshop, and emphasised the importance of all partners contributing to the co-design and future delivery of the refreshed Poverty & Inequalities Strategy. Those not present will be asked to provide their reflections following the meeting to ensure full inclusion of all public-sector perspectives.

Pre Meeting Activity

The meeting began with a showcase presentation from Christine Sinclair (DAGCAS), delivered from their new premises, providing an informative overview of organisational achievements and current outputs. A copy of the presentation is attached at Annexe B.

Substantive Items

The Partnership then proceeded to the strategy development workshop, facilitated by the DGC team. A summary of the discussion and feedback is provided at Annexe C, capturing partner views on the emerging vision, themes and priorities for the refreshed strategy.

Review and Close

The Chair thanked all attendees for their valuable contributions. The next meeting of the Partnership will take place on Wednesday 1 July, where partners will receive an update on strategy development progress and will be invited to discuss the requirement for a regional food donation campaign, including potential opportunities for coordinated interventions to support rising demand. The host organisation for the July meeting will be confirmed.

Meeting closed

Annex A – Attendees and Apologies

Partnership Members					
Angela Nisbet (AN)	Chair	Accepted	Sharon Ogilvie (SO)	South of Scotland Enterprise	Declined
Lynne Burgess (LB)	Employability Skills and Partnership Manager, Dumfries & Galloway Council (Chair of Subgroup 4)	Declined	Caroline Scott (CSc)	Social Security Scotland	Declined
Paul Dodds (PD)	Police Scotland	Accepted	Christine Sinclair (CS)	Dumfries and Galloway Citizens Advice and Chair of Subgroup 2	Accepted
Kate Glendye (KG)	Dumfries and Galloway College	Declined	Joanne Threlkeld (JT)	Wheatley Homes South	Declined
Wendy Jesson (WJ)	Poverty & Inequalities Development Officer, Dumfries & Galloway Council (Chair of Subgroup 3)	Accepted	Valerie White (VW)	<u>Director of Public Health, NHS D&G</u>	Accepted
Scott Irving (SI)	Scottish Fire and Rescue Service (SFRS)	Declined	George Winters	SFRS	Declined
Jo Kopela (JK)	Public Health Improvement Manager, D&G HSCP	Declined	Supporting Attendees & Observers		
Pamela Lough (PM)	Tackling Poverty Reference Group Member	Declined	Scott McMeeken	Ward Officer	Accepted
Isabel McKnight (IM)	Third Sector Dumfries & Galloway (Chair of Subgroup 1)	Accepted	Kirsty Miller	Resettlement Project Worker	Accepted
Mark Molloy (MM)	Dumfries & Galloway Council, Service Manager	Accepted	Kirsty Peden	Community Empowerment Service Manager	Accepted