



**Kemnay Local Learning Community Partnership (LLCP) Meeting
Thursday 6 February, 11.30 am Kintore Community Centre**

Attending

Caithleen Bell, Senior CLD Worker, Adult Learning
Dawn Brown, The Garioch Partnership
Sonya Donald, NHS, Health Visitor Garioch
Rob Mackay, Positive Steps, Kemnay
Tracey Michie, Kintore Primary School
Sue Wainman, Greener Kemnay, Kemnay Community Council
Ray Walker, Rotary Club of Kintore, Kemnay & District
Susan Weetman, Admin Support Assistant, Kemnay CLD
Nom Wright, Aberdeenshire Council Waste

Apologies

Margaret Bennett, Early Years Development Worker
Lynsey Coutts, Active Schools
Marie Glendinning, Depute Rector, Kemnay Academy
Carolyn Lamb, Public Health
Rachel Lewis, CLD, Kintore Bothie
Liz Mackay, Kemnay Community Coffee Morning, Village Hall, 50+ Groups
Alison Sutherland, Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service
Jen Sutherland, Educational Psychologist
Agnieszka Walicka, Library Service

Welcome

Caithleen welcomed everyone and they introduced themselves.

Matters Arising

There were no matters arising that were not already included in the agenda.

Cost of the School Day Training

Caithleen is delivering this training to Alehousewells and Kintore Primary Schools on the upcoming in-service days. There is an open invitation for LLCP members and any colleagues who wish to attend on Thursday 27 February from 1 pm until 3 pm at Kintore Community Centre. Ray asked that it also be delivered to the Rotary in an evening so Caithleen will arrange this. Although the session is for 2 hours it can be slimmed down to suit people's requirements.

Action Points

Caithleen to arrange date for Rotary

Family Learning Consultation Feedback

Caithleen delivered 2 sessions in Kintore last week to a range of partners, although mostly in education. Once all the sessions have taken place the results will help to develop the Family Learning Strategy. Some good information was gathered and the conversations highlighted that family learning was taking place in the community but was not always recognised as

such e.g. the recent Rotary crocus planting. CLD is currently delivering STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths) sessions and Ellon CLD is piloting a Family Learning STEM Club with the aim that this will be rolled out across Aberdeenshire. STEM workshops are being run in Kintore and have been well attended although probably not by targeted families. CLD is also focussing on Outdoor Learning and pilot sessions will be run in Kintore and Kemnay during the Wellbeing Week in May. Tracey said that the government is promoting family learning across all departments and the strategy should improve practice all over. It is recognised that parents / carers are the significant educators in a child's life, but it is difficult to engage them. It was suggested that it would be helpful to consult with parents / carers to identify what they would like to see provided. Ray asked about the outcome of a recent family learning survey so Caithleen will see if she can get a copy of the results.

Action Points

Caithleen to obtain survey results

Active Citizenship Update

Rob and Caithleen met to discuss a celebration of volunteers' awards event. This will be held on Saturday 23 May at Kemnay Village Hall, probably from 10 am to 12 noon. The Aberdeenshire Health and Wellbeing Festival is also running this week so the event will fit in well. During the first hour, stalls will be set up in the main hall to provide people with information on volunteering opportunities in the area. The awards will take place during the second hour – everyone will receive a certificate and there will also be some special awards e.g. volunteer of the year. Additionally, there will be some light refreshments. Rob, Caithleen and Rachel are meeting on Friday 14 February at 1.30 pm to clarify the nomination system and set the special awards. Once all the details are arranged an invitation to 'save the date' will be sent out as soon as possible. Ray said that in March the Rotary will be looking for their Citizen of the Year and this could possibly tie in with the awards. She will mention it to the Rotary.

Action Points

Rob, Caithleen and Rachel to meet to organise

Caithleen to email details once confirmed

Ray to discuss awards with Rotary

Partners Update

Rotary

The deadline for this year's Rotary Funds 4 U programme is 29 February but so far there have been no applications. Ray said that this is extremely disappointing, particularly as there were 16 applications last year. It has been advertised on Facebook and posters around the area. Susan will share on Facebook and distribute the details to the LLCPC membership.

Ray said that it is concerning that some local events have had to be cancelled due to lack of interest. Dawn suggested concern about Brexit and increasing poverty figures may be part of the reason. However, free events such as the Kemnay Christmas Lights Switch On, have been well attended.

The Garioch Partnership

Dawn reported that she is currently the only person at The Garioch Partnership, so she is very busy. Their budget has not been confirmed for next year yet but there is a contingency plan in place so that their work can continue.

Aberdeenshire Council Community Waste

Nom said there are still ongoing issues with litter dropping and dog mess and he will be continuing to meet with partners, including schools, to draw up a plan to address these.

Kintore Primary School

Kintore Primary School will once again be hosting their community event for the Health and Wellbeing Week. It will take place on Wednesday 20 May from 2.30 until 4 pm and everyone is welcome.

Positive Steps Kemnay

Rob is the chair of Positive Steps Kemnay, which is affiliated to Paths for All, a national organisation, which has a useful website. He said that Aberdeenshire Council also produce walking maps for all communities. Tracey said that there is a walking group on Tuesday and Thursday evenings in Kintore, as well as a ramblers' group.

NHS

Sonya said that the foodbank has extended its hours and that she issues about 2 vouchers every day as more people need help due to the oil recession. Donations can be made at Kintore Church on Friday mornings. Sue said that food is now available to be picked up at the Port Elphinstone Community House (PECH) in Inverurie as well as from Kemnay Village Hall, organised by Lorna Forsyth.

Greener Kemnay

Sue said that Kemnay Academy Parent Council is concerned that many of the pupils live in Kintore and that they are not engaging with the community in Kemnay. A cycle route between Kemnay and Kintore has been proposed but it may be difficult to get the funding for this.

CLD

Caithleen reported that a new Community Worker Assistant for Adult Learning has just started and she will be working 1 day per week in Westhill and 2 days per week in Kemnay and Kintore. Although Simone has returned, she is now doing project-based work so Caithleen will continue to cover the area as Senior CLD Worker 3 days per week. She confirmed Avril Nicol is still on secondment, so Philip Boath is interim manager for Communities and Partnerships. Kevin McDermott is also still covering Clare Taylor-Brown's post within Working with Young People while she is off sick.

WEA

As part of his work with the WEA, Ed Garrett is running Raising Literacies Awareness courses with one being held in Kintore Community Centre on Wednesday 4 March from 10 am – 4 pm. Anyone is welcome but booking is essential.

Active Schools

Active Schools will be looking to run the Transition+ programme again this year. This is a programme aimed towards P7, soon to be S1 pupils, to give them an extra opportunity to come to the academy for a few days before the new school year starts. A further opportunity to meet other new S1 pupils, tour the school, and get to know the surrounds in the village. Last year there was involvement from Active Schools, CLD, Katie Arthur as DHT link with the school, Agnieszka from the school library, Garioch Ranger Service, as well as some input from local clubs and coaches. Lynsey will be starting to touch base with partners over the coming few weeks to see about involvement, but if anyone thinks this would be something they would be interested in getting involved with, then email Lynsey.

AOCB

Rob said that the Rowett Institute is testing the impact of energy bars on people between the ages of 40 and 60 if anyone is interested.

Date and Time of Next Meetings

11 am, Tuesday 28 April, Kintore Community Centre, c/o Kintore Primary School

11 am, Tuesday 16 June, Kintore Community Centre, c/o Kintore Primary School