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## **Buchan Local Learning Community Partnership Meeting**

**Teams Meeting**  
**14 August 2020**  
**11.30am-1.00pm**

Present:

Jane Verity	Senior CLDW, Community Learning & Development
Jacqui Gray	Session Worker, Community Hub
Di Faithfull	Gypsy/Traveller Liaison Officer
Linda Smith	Skills Development Scotland
Margo Paterson	CLW, Community Learning & Development
Peter Kennedy	Employability Officer
Bryan McKay	Aberdeen Foyer
Vanessa Case	Team Manager, Health & Social Care
Stuart Jones	Partnership Development Officer, Police

Apologies:

Sharon Tulloch	Skills Development Scotland
Keith Anderson	AVA
Annette Johnston	Tackling Poverty & Inequalities Co-ordinator
Gerry McCluskey	Depute Head Teacher, Mintlaw Academy
Shona Sellers	Head Teacher, Peterhead Academy
Pauline Robertson	Employment Team
Lynne Gordon	Senior Community Worker, CLD
Stephen Shand	Aberdeen Foyer
Daljit Sandhu	EAL Service
Denise Whyte	Employability
Kath Ramsay	HMP Grampian
Joanna Haggath	CLW, Community Learning & Development
Sandra Ross	Senior CLW, Community Learning & Development
Alison Brodie	Cultural Development Officer
Jen Riach	Families Outside
Olive Thain	NHS Grampian
Martin Danzinger	Theatre MODO
Suzanne Connor	Depute Head Teacher, Peterhead Academy
Claire Taylor	Team Manager, Children's Social Work
Una Simpson	Day Service Manager, Health & Social Care
Joy Aiken	NESCOL
Maureen Stephen	Area Community Officer
Morag Donaldson	Educational Psychology Service
Evan Ritchie	Depute Head, Peterhead Academy

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Jill Smith	NHS Grampian
Andrew Martin	Team Leader, Community Safety
Ashley McGregor	Education Psychology Service
Ewen Allardyce	Employability Co-ordinator

Jane welcomed everyone.

### Self-Evaluation

Jane asked if anyone had anymore feedback for Self-Evaluation.

Q1. Jacqui Gray – fairly effective. Everything done is good. Training good.

Peter Kennedy - very effective given difficulties with consistent membership.

Q2. Unemployment and mental health our main concerns just now. HMP Grampian booklet to work with prisoners due to be released.

Bryan MacKay – digital access is emerging issue. Access to Internet, literacy levels not as they should be. Click n Learn My Way Programmes Available. OK to supply Digital Devises but if no Wi-Fi – no use.

Margo Paterson – agreed. Even if they have a kit etc they can still struggle if they don't have the ability to use it.

Di Faithfull – getting computers are an issue.

Peter Kennedy – Clients can't access courses as they have no laptops, only phones.

Linda Smith – expecting increase in redundancies when furlough finishes. She will find out where there are going to be most jobs, supermarkets, caring etc.

Vanessa Case – Affordability of access to equipment/broadband etc is a problem for clients. Increasing pressures on organised crime in their area. Older clients are a concern – lots of phone calls etc. Spoke about Crime Stoppers – very confidential. She will pass info on to all.

Peter to send everyone out a chart of what the different strands of employability is.

Stuart Jones spoke about organised crime.

Jane spoke about Power Tools. Here are the ones CLD can deliver: -

Affirmations

Express Yourself - Emotional Literacies

Laughter Yoga

Mindfulness

Moods & mindset

Planning for change

Responsibilities overload

Self - belief and self-talk

STEPS taster

Who are you? Self -identity

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Q3. Vanessa – we will have to think about most of us working from home most of the time – we need to build effective ways of engaging with people. We won't always be able to see people face to face.

Jane spoke about the 2-day Fun n Food (New Pitsligo). She will send out link to all with montage. Jacqui Gray – agreed it was really good and something to continue in the future. Parents integrated with kids more. Only worry is the Internet – there are always people who don't want anything to do with technical stuff. How do we support people who are furthest away and how do we build these opportunities?

### Network Catch-Up

Bryan – Foyer moving Reach Course online next month. H5P platform is good to use between client/learner. Princes Trust is a 6 wk programme just now. No residential, no work placement – all online but same qualification at the end of it. Sept 7/14 start then again mid Oct. Max 8 people. Jane said that CLD offer an SQA Employability Award that can be built into the end of the course. Bryan to come back to Jane to progress.

Vanessa – got a strand of meetings going. CSCS training, Care Course Stage 3, Wellbeing Stage 2 (still being offered by the Foyer).

Jacqui Gray – Don't anticipate getting into New Pitsligo Com Hub before Xmas. Looking to get St Johns Centre – can maybe use from 14 Sept – plan to do mixture of virtual/face to face work.

All: How do we ensure progression between learners to different opportunities? Even more important that we work together just now. If developments have happened because of attending the LLCP then please feed this back, i.e. new courses planned, new partnerships developed

### LLCP Priorities for 2020/21 period

1) How we build effective opportunities to engage people, using new materials and new techniques. A kind of sharing platform for what has worked and what has not. Learn and share delivery hints and tips. (Workforce development)

2) Digital access and divide - how do we ensure that those furthest away from being able to access online are still supported, either to learn to access or not left behind with no provision. (Transition/ community engagement to empowerment)

3) How do we complement each other's work and offer effective progression routes between agencies and partners. (Transition)

**ALL – Please confirm agreement of these by 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020**



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### **Community Impact Assessment**

Jane said Adult Learning have launched impact assessment (see link). Work with clients and make them understand what is asked. Adult Learning Survey been put together by Melanie Johnston and Gail Slater (CLD Workers). How have parents struggled with home schooling? This has gone out to all schools in the Shire. 81 response, 64% said they struggled with some element of home schooling. Encourage families to complete. Fraserburgh/Peterhead running ESOL classes – Nat 2/3 Accreditation. Let us know if you have any learners in Peterhead. Vanessa – has got clients who are very isolated. 31 August is International Overdose Day – various things going on. If anyone can help publicise this or share things going on, that would be great. Got 2 benches – looking for a home. Made at the Mens Shed in Peterhead. The Broch Mens Shed is still at same place.

Stuart Jones is Partnership Development Officer based at Inverurie. He replaced Adam Mellis.

**Date of Next Meeting** – Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September via TEAMS