



**Kemnay Local Learning Community Partnership (LLCP) Online Meeting
Thursday 29th April 2021, 2 pm**

Attending

Caithleen Bell, Senior CLD Worker, Adult Learning
Jackie Coroon, Library Service
Jim Hatter, Rotary Club of Kintore, Kemnay & District
Jeannette Mackay, Community Member (links to local churches and ADP)
Nicola Stuart, Depute Head, Kemnay Academy
Susan Weetman, Admin Support Assistant, Kemnay CLD

Apologies

Lynsey Coutts, Active Schools
Lynn Davidson, Homestart Garioch
Di Faithfull, Gypsy / Traveller Liaison Officer
Rob Mackay, Positive Steps Kemnay
Leslie Murison, Live Life Aberdeenshire, Arts & Heritage
Suzy Prosser, Employment Support Team
Alison Sutherland, Aberdeenshire Council Ranger Service
Jen Sutherland, Educational Psychology
Sue Wainman, Greener Kemnay, Kemnay Community Council

Welcome

Caithleen welcomed everyone and they introduced themselves.

Jackie Coroon (Adult Services Reader Development Librarian) Library Talk

Jackie gave a presentation on the Library Service. At the start of the pandemic, she was part of a team which created a one-stop shop for people at home and it was so well received that it has been continued and developed further. The website can be accessed through the Live Life Aberdeenshire 'Live Life at Home' page (<https://livelifeaberdeenshire.org.uk/live-life-at-home/>) and from there people can access 4 main features – Watch, Resources, Get Active and What's On.

Videos on YouTube can be accessed through Watch, including learning activities such as gentle exercises, making music at home, Wellbeing Festival videos, virtual walks and Bookbug stories.

Get Active provides virtual walks and free on demand exercise classes, as well as activities for young people.

Resources includes the LINA (Library Innovation Network Aberdeenshire) project where people can access courses to help them with their businesses. The Digital Library and Digital Library Help can also be accessed from here along with museum information, Active Schools, MacDuff Marine Aquarium and craft resources.

What's On can be searched for upcoming events such as live storytelling, Makaton taster sessions and virtual talks. Crime Month is coming up as well as Local and Community History Month and Jackie will send the links to Caithleen when she has them. Details of what's on are also promoted on facebook and twitter. All these are free and you don't have to be a library member to join as it's possible to join as a guest.

The Libraries' Digital Resources include e-books, e-audio books, e-magazines and e-newspapers and it is necessary to be a member to access these. Music is also currently available, but the service will be stopped shortly, due to a lack of demand. In order to access these resources, the member must download the Libby app and there are guidelines available to help with this. The e-books and e-audio books can be downloaded for 1-3 weeks and will automatically disappear on the due date, so there are no fines for late returns. There are only a set amount available so there may be a waiting list for popular books. E-magazines and e-newspapers can be accessed through Press Reader and there are over 7000 publications available in over 60 languages. There is no time limit for these.

The Online Database gives access to the Oxford Dictionary of National Biography as well as the Oxford English Dictionary Online.

Action Points

Jackie to send link for Crime Month and Local and Community History Month to Caithleen for distribution

CLD Plan Consultation

The closing date has been extended until Tuesday 4th May so there is still time to complete it.

Financial inclusion leaflet update

The leaflet, which had been emailed to everyone in advance, highlights what people are entitled to, including clothing grants and free music tuition. Any feedback can be passed to Caithleen. The leaflet will be distributed before the summer holidays.

Action Points

Leaflet to be distributed before summer holidays

LLCP Flyer Update

The Kemnay LLCP flyer was last updated a few years ago so it was decided it was time to do it again. Susan will send out the previous version with the minute and ask for any updates.

Partners' Updates

Kemnay Academy

Nicola said that they are currently ensuring that their pupils are fully prepared for the upcoming assessment period. They are also focussing on reconnecting, both socially and in terms of work.

Kintore Primary School

Tracey said they are also concentrating on reconnecting the pupils although they have become less tolerant, having returned to school earlier. She also announced that the school has won a Wellbeing Award, of which they're very proud.

Jeannette Mackay

Jeannette said they are currently looking for well-being spaces in Kintore. The Church Hall, which used to host Friday coffee mornings, and the Kintore Arms Hotel are possibilities. She has also started volunteering at the Bothie with another volunteer. The Aberdeen City LOIP includes creating gardens and community spaces and she is hoping to do this for the young people. There doesn't seem to be any available space for a community garden in Kintore but they may use recycled pallets at the Bothie.

Rotary Club of Kintore, Kemnay & District

Jim said that the pandemic has had an adverse effect on their youth programmes however they are about to start planning new programmes, with input from the schools. They are also looking into a new environmental programme and hope to work with other groups. A local boy and girl have won their photo and art competitions, for which they will both receive awards.

CLD

Caithleen reported that staff are still working from home and that they should be able to meet small groups of learners inside once Aberdeenshire moves into Level 2, hopefully from 17th May. However, it is unlikely staff will be working from offices before the end of the summer. The Council is running a voluntary service scheme and a few CLD staff have taken it, including Lorna Forsyth who will leave just before the summer. Everyone will be sad to see Lorna go.

Although they were unable to attend the meeting these partners gave the following updates -

Homestart Garioch

Homestart Garioch is continuing with their service throughout the restrictions. They are still providing a face-to-face service for new families referred to them as well as the families still in need. Visits have been outside apart from urgent need, for example mental health and new baby crisis.

Arts & Heritage Services

Leslie will be leaving the Council on 8th June and wanted to pass on her good wishes to everyone and let them know she really enjoyed being part of the group and working with them. She is just sorry that the Creative Learning/Adult Learning Upholstery Classes finished and she had plans for an Art Class which was cancelled due to Covid.

Employment Support Team

Suzy Prosser returned from maternity leave last year but Covid disrupted the service. During her maternity cover Greg Douglas was running a Job Club in Kemnay so this is something she will look into once the service returns to some sort of normality and depending on which areas she will be covering. At the moment they are working remotely and covering the whole of the shire.

Date and Time of Next Meeting

It was agreed to have a short meeting before the summer to share partners' updates and any plans for activities during the summer.

Thursday 10th June, 2 – 3 pm, Teams