

Westhill LLCP Minutes of Meeting – 8th September, 2020

Present: Mike Riley - SCLDW, Gill Noble - Network Librarian Westhill, Emma Dobson – Community Health Improvement Officer, Ian McCombie – Westhill Rotary Club, Eileen Buchan – SDS Careers Adviser Westhill, Freda Nicholson – Active Schools Coordinator Westhill

Apologies: Alison Reid, Leslie Murison, Caroline Smith, Ian Ritchie, Dawn Brown, Caitheleen Bell and Carolyn Lamb

Matters Arising: Partners Updates

Childhood Trauma – Part 1 on 24th September 1.30 - 3 pm and Part 2 28th September 1.30 - 3pm run by Aberdeenshire Child Protection Partnership – for your information.

Digital Inclusion – Fund is aimed at Young People to supply them with ipads and this can be life changing. Aim is for 16 – 30 year olds who come under the criteria of being on low income, no employment or social isolated.

Poverty week – 5th – 11th October run by the Poverty Alliance

Partner Updates

Mike – Been working with Risk Assessments – Returning to workplaces and using buildings.

Electronic (Healthier Scotland PDF) questionnaires re: covid vulnerability if we catch it. Has been organising training sessions for all CLD staff. CLD has been accessing some PPE via schools and other Council departments but are ordering dedicated CLD supplies

Gill – The Library staff have spent a lot of time on Risk Assessment forms on how to use the Library Click & Collect this system is running at Stonehaven, Banchory, Ellon, Fraserburgh and Library HQ. Public pick up then drop off books which are then quarantined for 72 hours then the plastic jackets on the books are cleaned.

Westhill Library are still closed and don't know when they will reopen.

Inverurie and Peterhead are trialling (started 2 weeks ago) members of the public can book a computer for 30 minutes.

Living Documents need to be updated as they have a care of duty if there is an outbreak.

Freda – Working from home at the moment but is reintroducing programs, the schools are focusing on kids returning to school and extra curricular activities are second. The schools are not encouraging outside coaches to use the school building so they have been using Lawsondale Pavillion. We are gradually getting there and also looking at Risk Assessments.

Emma - Public Health have stopped face to face Community Work at the moment. Some staff have been redeployed into the hubs and other services. We have been working with Garioch Kitchen re: menus and food parcels. We developed a Conversation café in Inverurie but only 2 people attended but are going to try again at the end of the month. Public Health attended Early Years forum meetings in Westhill and Inverurie, others to follow.

Ian McCombie – Rotary keeping busy they meet re zoom with 50 members. Contributions to local good causes - £2,500 given to each Food Bank, donation to Sensational and Doctors Surgery.

They have donated a Defibrillator to Sauchen, there is one at the Main door of Kirkwood Homes but this is out of the village. They got a £400 discount from St Johns therefore the package cost £1000 which includes community training for Primary kids to adults on how to use it, they have also organised a memorial bench. They organised a sponsored cycle which raised £2000.

They have been delivering afternoon tea boxes to the elderly and vulnerable the drivers delivering the boxes said they were very well received this was funded by the Council.

As there will be on Xmas party this year they plan to deliver festive boxes to the elderly on the 6th December and also donate food to Pit Cairn care home that afternoon.

Eileen - Careers advisers are working virtually across Scotland, many working with the exam result helpline. They are hoping to start face to face in the next few weeks for 2 days a week. They are following up all school leavers but this will finish at the end of the month. The centre in Inverurie is opening on 8th October for vulnerable people. Ian Ritchie, A Work Coach is working with school leavers but at the moment is working from home. The Scottish Government are talking with DWP about running kick start, a program to guarantee employment for up to 6 months for young people, we awaiting more details.

Organising meetings for preparation on how we move forward when furlough is lifted and people who are made redundant. PACE Partners are informed of redundancies so SDS can organise events to offer help. Similar PACE events were run during the oil downturn of 2014/15

No AOCB

Next Meeting – Tuesday 10th November 2020 at 2pm – 3 pm