



Minutes of meeting held on 17th August 2021 10.00 am

Attendance: Jenna Adams (Key Worker), Claire Christie (CAB), Rebecca Stoker (SDS), Samantha Rawlins (Community Planning), Beverly Bruce (Children’s & families SW), Lee Menzies (HT Turriff Academy)

As a partnership we have set priorities, these being:

Transitions/Resilience	Community Empowerment	Workforce Development	Using data effectively
Young People	Towns Team	Partnership CPD opportunities.	Sharing of data to highlight gaps in need.
Adults			
Community Group			

- Checking in – how is everyone doing?

Schools start again today. Staff eager to get back to face to face engagement, where possible. Some services are still requesting that staff work from home, unless face to face are a priority.

- Families and Children

- Food poverty

Food parcels are down over the past few months. It was felt that other financial initiatives supported family income. The distribution will be monitored by services.

CAB have found that they had a downturn in parcel distribution. This is expected to change with furlough clients and family financial support.

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- Digital connections

Employment team distributed 100 Chromebook for under 24's. They have also an agreed funding bid for aged 24+

CAB thought that the lack of ICT would have been an issue for families, but it hasn't been highlighted over recent months.

- Mental Health and Wellbeing

All services are finding that clients are more anxious than they were before lockdown. Clients are anxious with day-to-day life

Aberdeen Foyer are offering support for health and wellbeing, but it currently has an 18-week waiting list

- approaches and delivery – pandemic lockdown, recovery, and impacts

- Future meetings and focus (CPD monthly topics)

Suggested 'Mental health first aid' for staff

WEA 'debt management' training.

- Partnership Work / projects / developments

CLD Adult learning offer of STEPS course for clients/learners

CLD offer to support SDS with school leavers who do not have a positive destination.

- STEPS course available for learners.

Partner update

- Health

Training for 'Health in the community' starting in September. CLD have 4 places across Aberdeenshire. Key points being trained staff must also deliver session in the future.

- Employment

Service have produced a newsletter for sharing. JA to share link after meeting.

Trying to get back to face to face in all areas but its proving difficult getting access to buildings.

- GIRFEC & Early Years Forum

Meeting will be held after Chair's meeting on 6th Sept 2021.

This group are looking for a new chair.

- LLA/Active Schools

No update

- CLD

Still covering projects online. Some face to face is being carried out in Banff but not Turriff.

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- Community Planning
 - 123 parcels have been sent out this year. This equates to 171 adults and 150 children. Once families lose the additional £20.00 a week in universal credit this will have an impact with families.
 - Distribution is low on food and requests have been circulated for additional items. Co-op now have a food bin in their shop.
 - Flowerpots are now holding parcels for families.
 - Haughs – CCTV may be installed for overseeing crime levels.
- SDS
 - Have been continuing to meet, via phone, during the summer period. Back now in school but still dealing with adults. A number of young people who left school did not have a positive destination so contact will continue to contact. Offer of CLD was made to work on social skills.
- AVA
 - No update
- CAB
 - Service is over capacity. Funding for volunteer's development to train new members who wish to volunteer.
 - Building space for service delivery – 8 staff in Turriff and 8 in Macduff.
 - Still carrying out service by phone.
 - More staff will support more clients.
- Children's and Families Team – Social Work
 - Agreed to meet face to face with RA in place. Receiving a steady flow of clients inside and outside the centre.
 - Families are struggling.

Discussion about general look of Turriff. Council buildings are looking tired and landscape area need tendered. It was suggested that Community Payback could help. Also, Turriff has development into many charity shops which was felt that it sent out the wrong message about the community. As partners we need to up our game and support services for those require.

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