



## Ellon Local Learning Community Partnership MEETING – 25 August 2021 – 13.30

- **Welcome, present and apologies**

PRESENT: Nicola Twine, Brenda Thorley, Pauline Robertson, Lesley Lambert, Patti Fraser, Vikki Carpenter, Fraser McLachlan, Eddie Coutts, Sam Rawlins, Leah McKinnon, Annette Holland, Susan Ritchie

APOLOGIES: Debbie Mackay, Jan Murdoch, Maja Grigorjeva, Mike Taylor, Barbara Taylor,

- **DISCUSSION: Young People in the Community**
- **Family Learning – needs and opportunities**
- **Matters arising from previous meetings**
- **AOCB**
- **DONM** (including format and focus)

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### RECORDING MEETING ?

### DISCUSSION TOPIC

#### Young People in the Community

PC Leah Mkinnon – no difference in youth behaviour from levels pre-covid. Perception may be different, but reality not.

Peak time – January.

Sam Rawlins – echoing the same in areas such as Turriff.

#### School

Hanging about – the result of kids not having much to do, and clubs and activities not being open.

Behaviour a bit of a challenge in school just with getting back to normal.

#### Brenda

Not really big incidences of young people hanging about.

Vandalism – coming to attention from people in the community.

Not heard a lot about general youth annoyance

Substance misuse – seems to have escalated a wee bit, and how young this is starting. Everyone echoing the substance misuse picture. Safety issues.

Need activities to be available for young people.

Responses – family learning

Substance misuse team

Problem is – how to target the parents that think they don't need this (demographic – middle class and rural areas)

Some

Police – reliant on the information coming in – which is not always the whole picture.

School demographic now also different and may be contributing – more 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> years back who wouldn't have previously been back due to lack of opportunities

More information to be available for parents on where to get help – would be useful.

Something to parents – survey? To find out what sort of support and help could be useful.

Usual diversionary activities have all stopped. Hopefully more normal times will come as opportunities open up again.

Information

Survey

Peer education

Steer the focus

How to report to the police. Can ask that report be anonymous. Lots of ways to report – we need to make sure communities are aware of these ways.

Brenda has recently done a survey with young people

### **Family Learning – needs and opportunities**

Information and short presentation about strengthening families.

Size of groups query?

Answer ...

Face-to-face – 8-10 families, online up to 15.

### **Matters arising from previous meetings**

**May meeting:**

Anyone using <https://co-operate.coop.co.uk> Free online community noticeboard/website for activities, events, groups

Substance misuse in the Community and recent trends / needs

Family Learning approaches to support EAL school children

Volunteering opportunities

**June Sub-group – facilities:**

Community Spaces – mapping exercise or any further progress?

Still a meeting to be set-up: Action – to put out a poll for a suitable meeting time.

**AOCB**

- Partner updates / opportunities

Library Service / Jan Murdoch

The library service is currently in the midst of restructure and that library staffing in our network is limited at the moment. At the moment we are offering 2 full days of limited browsing on Mondays and Tuesdays. Other days we offer click and collect services. Service Point is based in the library Mon/Tues/Wed and the registrars on a Thursday. At the moment we are unfortunately not in a position to re-commence our activities and we haven't been able to have groups back in yet either.

LEAD

See email

Pauline

Still working remotely and struggling with places to meet face-to-face.

Employment and skills events – in Peterhead and Fraserburgh.

Summer Family Learning events by CLD – feedback

Scavenger hunts and summer outreach. Good engagement and good numbers (add in Vikki's email info)

Free and rural local opportunities and some families joining up to do stuff together

Sam – good to hear and LLA summer of fun also good uptake.

LOIP – two strands – Mind your Mind, commissioned by CPP, survey now complete. Next phase to put together an ebook of resources and opportunities, help and support in Formartine.

Live event in September 9<sup>th</sup> – evening. Around wellbeing and self-care. 5 themes – one of which is learning. Different speakers – Kim Little – athlete – doing “learning” theme.

Please share! Granny Griggie – look out for her.

Phase 2 ebooklet – please let Sam know anything to be included

- Community needs to consider

**DONM (including format and focus)**

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2021 @ 1.30pm