



## Ellon Local Learning Community Partnership

MEETING – 26 May 2021 – 10<sup>00</sup>

- **Welcome, present and apologies**

PRESENT: Nicola Twine, Samantha Rawlins, Sarah-Jane Bennison, Michael Taylor, Barbara Last, Vikki Carpenter, Maja Grigorjeva, Camille Russell.

APOLOGIES: Lena North, Sally Sheehan, Paula Waugh, Pauline Robertson, Brenda Thorley, Peter Carnaby.

- **Previous Meeting Notes / Minutes**

- **Discussion Topic: Community Plans and Local Data**

- **2021 – Recovery, Plans, Focus – Ellon Partner Considerations**

- **Partner Updates: Community support, participation & learning opportunities**

- **AOCB / DONM**

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### **DISCUSSION TOPIC**

#### **Community Plan – Sam Rawlins**

SEE ATTACHED PRESENTATION

Presentation

Refreshed Plan – 4 themes

Trust and relationship with communities – built through community planning partners and information coming out, but criticism is that bulletins and info has only been electronic.

Some emerging and current needs being looked at in our communities:

Anti-social behaviour – fire raising and vandalism, community safety.

Health needs – concerns over accessing professional medical services and GPs for health conditions. Not everyone has the skills or resilience to navigate barriers to accessing health provision.

Upcoming sessions being delivered in Ward areas to look at Community Impact Assessments.

### **PARTNER UPDATES & 2021 Considerations**

**Turning Point**

Mentor Programme – looking for people with lived experience in recovery, to become mentors. This could be through personal substance misuse experiences or as a partner or family member. Volunteer training, development and management/support in role provided.

Naloxone Programme - training community members in use of Naloxone. Focus on nasal delivery rather than injection version. Looking for community volunteers. (**Naloxone** is a medicine that rapidly reverses an opioid overdose.)

Trying to create peer support community with good links, relationships and communication. Will use any appropriate methods to support links and belonging and engagement.

Looking towards developing possible programme involving teen mentors around substance misuse.

Look out for:

Citizenship Programme – Turning Point Scotland – for staff and volunteers.

For further information about any of the above Turning Point initiatives contact Mike:

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### **SAMH**

Return to community spaces – for delivery. Risk Assessments for reopening office and delivery spaces – primarily for delivery rather than using as worker offices.

### **EAL – English as an Additional Language**

Developing the conversation and understanding around **attainment delay** – not gap! EAL children have not been accessing learning online so much. Have now started to carry on where they left off. Those impacted most are EAL students with other difficulties and challenges. Worry about future learning for EAL students if any further lockdowns. Need another model or solution rather than just the previous online model.

Best way, could be to support parents with their online skills – to support their children and be present through learning.

### **Co-op**

Please share any workshops or courses to Co-operate website. Also – searches for volunteers. Co-op – funding available, until 30<sup>th</sup>. Apply by locality. Especially around mental health areas and support.

<https://causes.coop.co.uk>

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

### **CLD**

Main Adult Learning needs currently around personal development and wellbeing, Employability, ICT, literacies. Still predominantly using online provision currently to link in with needs.

### **Young People**

Individual and group work, including alternative curricular activities/learning.

Youth volunteering – issue of current reduced opportunities to support CV development.

### **Families**

Lots of support to families – parenting and mental health and communication.  
Rural family learning over the summer.

### **Live Life**

Programmes – starting up again.

Emphasis on mental as well as physical health.

Walking Programmes being developed.

Summer Activities aimed at families and children, to re-engage in physical, active and leisure activities to support wellbeing.

More outreach activities being planned and delivered too.

Staff who have been seconded or doing alternative duties now returning to LLA roles. Therefore there is a push to encourage and find volunteers to support vaccination centres as redeployed staff are now withdrawing from these roles. Appealing through schools as could appeal to senior pupils as a volunteering opportunity.

### **For Partnership Action & Follow-up**

Needs emerging through meeting discussions:

#### **Substance misuse in the Community**

Alcohol use – through the roof.

Would be good to have a big review – about changing trends in substance misuse and how these affect community needs, learning needs and service responses.

#### **Community Spaces for Delivery**

ACTION AGREED: Follow-up meeting to be arranged between partners to look at local spaces and use and service delivery to meet community needs.

Rowlands Chemist are offering community hub space. Find out more and pass info out to people and partners. (Nicola to find out and share)

Appropriate spaces – with windows and ventilation, and affordable.

#### **Family Learning approaches to support EAL school children.**

**Volunteering opportunities** – for young people and community members.

#### **How to get messages of targeted support and services – to communities?**

For future discussion and exploration.

LINK FROM MEETING / CHAT

<https://connecting.scot/>

### **Date of Next Meetings**

Community Spaces Meeting: Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 10am

<https://meet.google.com/igy-vaus-eyt>

Ellon LLCP: Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> August, 1.30pm

<https://meet.google.com/caj-vbsn-kiw>