



NOTE OF MEETING

Subject: East End Local Community Planning Partnership
Date: 27th August 2024
Location: Douglas Community Centre

Item		Action
	<p>Present:</p> <p>Alan Gunn - DCC Communities Officer</p> <p>Elaine Sword- DCC Community Health Team</p> <p>Gemma Watson- DCC City Development</p> <p>Andy Thorn- Big Noise Douglas</p> <p>Alison Macaulay- DCC East Youth Team Manager</p> <p>Art Sangster- Douglas Community Centre Local Management Group</p> <p>Carole Jenkins- Douglas Community Spaces group</p> <p>Holly Anderson- DCC Community Safety and Protection</p> <p>Claire Shepherd- DCC Community Empowerment</p> <p>Jayne Bond- Friends of Linlathen</p> <p>Nicky Maccrimmon- DCC Community Learning and Development Manager</p> <p>Councillor Dorothy McHugh</p> <p>Hayley Tunstall- DCC Community Empowerment Team</p> <p>Hannah Livesy- DCC Children and Families Social Work</p> <p>Ruth Baillie- DCC Children and Families Social Work</p> <p>Dan McCann- Rocksolid Trust</p> <p>Audrey Thompson- Rocksolid Trust</p> <p>Sasha Ritch- St Pius Primary- Early Years</p> <p>Darren Brome- St Pius School and Family Development Worker</p> <p>Rachael Thomas- DCC Community Benefit</p> <p>Claire Shepherd- DCC Community Empowerment Team</p> <p>Graeme Smith- Douglas Action Group</p>	

	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Baillie Will Dawson, Fiona Reekie (DCC Housing), Scott Hunter (Police Scotland), Baillie Christina Roberts, Michelle Reid (Craigie High), Ciara Smith (St Pius)</p>	
1	<p>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES:</p> <p>Alan welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted as above. There is no locality leader in place for the East End LCPP but it is anticipated that someone will be appointed by November's LCPP meeting.</p>	
2	<p>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (20/05/24):</p> <p>Minutes agreed as accurate.</p>	
3	<p>COMMUNITY PLAN PROGRESS</p> <p>Alan shared a presentation showing current progress against the East End Community Plan priorities.</p> <p>The presentation can be found in the attachments.</p> <p>The quarterly LCPP feedback forms that partners have been completing are extremely helpful in collating ward wide information about contributions to community plan priorities.</p> <p>During the presentation verbal updates were provided by-</p> <p>Alison Macaulay- Youth Work</p> <p>Alison introduced a short film which 9 local young people had been supported to produce. The film is called "ABC...What's it Gonna Be?" and discusses issues around alcohol and substance use from young people's perspective. The film was funded through the Alcohol Drug Partnership funding which had been devolved to the LCPP. The film will now be used a resource within schools. Each of the 9 young people involved have progressed onto a positive destination.</p> <p>Carole Jenkins- Douglas Community Spaces Group</p> <p>Douglas Community Spaces Group are holding their AGM on the 17th September.</p> <p>The group are hoping to explore the possibility of a stage area being built within the park and the development workers are currently making progress in taking this forward.</p> <p>The group are also hoping to meet with DCC Environment to review the partnership agreement that they have in place.</p> <p>The group are also exploring funding opportunities to continue the development worker posts.</p> <p>Holly Anderson- Anti Social Behaviour Team</p> <p>Holly updated on the community safety project that involved all primary 7 classes from the North East and East End in May/June. The programme was delivered successfully and has had positive feedback from stakeholders and the children who took part.</p> <p>The Community Safety Partnership are now progressing a programme for S1's early in 2025.</p>	

4	<p>COMMUNITY INFORMATION</p> <p>Feedback from LCPP partners at May's meeting suggested that having access to Community Information both for residents and for services signposting remains a challenge.</p> <p>Alan shared a document that the cost of living subgroup have collated showing available community supports, activities and advice services along with information about days, times and costs.</p> <p>The partners agreed this was a helpful document and agreed to share it across networks. The document is found in the attachments.</p>	
5.	<p>CHILDREN AND FAMILIES SOCIAL WORK</p> <p>Ruth and Hannah were welcomed along to the partnership for the first time and explained that there has been a restructure within Children and Families Social work teams.</p> <p>Each team previously had a city wide remit but this has now changed to locality teams which will focus on one area of the city so there is now an East and West split.</p> <p>The positive is that this allows for Social Work staff to develop relationships with local services working in the East and they will have more opportunity to consider what place based supports are available to support the families they are working with.</p>	
6.	<p>COMMUNITY WISHES</p> <p>Rachael Thomas gave a demonstration of the new Community Wishes portal and demonstrated how a wish can be added into the system.</p> <p>There is a briefing paper and a graphic with more information and guidance.</p> <p>Councillor McHugh asked about what the value of the wishes can equate to. While there is no formal cap on value, wishes need to be proportionate to the contract.</p> <p>Rachael urged any community groups to start completing wishes as soon as they can and advised that the Community Empowerment Team are available to support with the process.</p>	
7.	<p>IMPROVING LIFE CHANCES OF CHILDREN AND FAMILIES</p> <p>The partnership held a focused discussion about local support for Children and Families and where there may be gaps.</p> <p>Ruth and Hannah advised that some of the biggest challenges the families they are supporting are experiencing are social isolation, caring for children with additional support needs, CAMHS waiting lists and cost of living.</p> <p>There was a wide range of examples of support available in the East End from parent toddler groups, pram pushing groups, community cafes, family activities, family meals, childrens and youth work.</p> <p>Ruth and Hannah advised one of the challenges is supporting the families they are working with to overcome barriers to accessing these supports.</p> <p>There was a recognition that the point of contact for each group support would hopefully be willing to meet people individually before they access any groups to try and reduce anxiety about attending provision.</p> <p>Alan agreed to follow up by connecting with Together To Thrive for an update and to explore opportunities in the East End.</p> <p>Councillor McHugh also raised the importance of local opportunities for older people who are particularly impacted by social isolation. This will be a focused discussion at the next LCPP meeting.</p>	

8.	Date of Next Meeting: Monday 25th November 2024- 15:30pm at Douglas Community Centre	
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