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Editors Introduction

Welcome to the thirty third issue of the Dundee Partnership E-Bulletin.

The term 'Community Wealth Building' is one that you may have heard in passing, probably fairly recently (although it has been around for quite some time), and most likely without any explanation of what it is (although its name gives a broad hint). What follows is a very basic introduction to the concept with some links to further reading. It's a bit longer than my usual editorial, because I also wanted to include some of the positive things we are already doing in Dundee in relation to this.

Community Wealth Building (CWB) is a range of approaches that aim to improve the ability of communities to increase asset ownership, anchor jobs locally through wider ownership of capital, help to achieve key environmental goals, expand the provision of public services, and ensure local economic security.

The original model was developed in Cleveland, USA but we also have a UK-based example in Preston, Lancashire. The Preston Model makes use of anchor institutions such as universities, colleges, the NHS, the Local Authority and large private sector employers, to expand; payment of a living wage, community banking, public pension investment, and worker ownership, whilst using a 'local procurement' strategy to support these.

CWB is a people-centered approach to local economic development. It aims to redirect wealth back into the local economy while placing control and the benefits of the approach into the hands of local people. This should then provide better resilience where there is risk, and improve local economic security.

At a national level, the <u>Centre for Local Economic Strategies</u> (an economics think tank) has been developing this approach since 2007 by working with the public sector in Preston (population 141,000, so very similar to Dundee's) and Manchester. At its heart, it has the state working to protect public values and achieving good outcomes for citizens, and is based around five key principles;

- Shared ownership of the economy supporting and growing business models that are more financially generative for the local economy
- Making financial power work for local places increasing the flows of investment within local economies by harnessing and recirculating the wealth that exists
- Fair employment and just labour markets using anchor institutions to improve the prospects of local people
- Progressive procurement of goods and services developing local supply chains of businesses likely to support local employment and keep wealth within communities
- Socially productive/just use of land and property developing the function and ownership of local assets held by anchor institutions so that local communities benefit from financial and social gain

The Scottish Government is committed to exploring the potential for CWB as an approach to delivering inclusive growth across Scotland, with six key projects in development across a range of contexts in Scotland. The first of these started in Ayrshire, but one of the six involves facilitating work through the Tay Cities Deal. As activity develops, a growing library of case studies will be held on the Scottish Centre for Regional Inclusive Growth website.

Many of the activities that we are already undertaking in Dundee contribute towards CWB. Some examples include;

• Dundee is a Living Wage City, the first in the UK. As such, we actively promote payment of the Scottish Living Wage by organisations in all sectors. This in turn enables more people to be lifted out of poverty, and giving them more spending power available to fuel the local economy

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- The Tay Cities Deal. This seeks to build on our existing strengths and aims 'to develop a highly skilled, competitive economy that benefits all people'
- Community Asset Transfer. We have had a process for this in place for several years, with a number of key facilities transferred to community ownership as a result. These include the Boomerang Community Centre on Kemback Street and more recently the old Fintry Nursery site which is being put into use by Flexible Childcare Services Scotland after being out of use for more than ten years
- Maximising the Community Benefits delivered through DCC's procurement processes
- Our overall approach to Fairness and Tackling Inequality which includes;
 - o Giving citizens a voice through the Dundee Fairness Commissions, with their recommendations being incorporated into strategies and action plans
 - Aiding citizens to maximise their incomes through activities such as;
 - Support from financial advice agencies ensuring they receive all benefits they are entitled to, and development of a new Advice Strategy
 - Providing advice in an increasing number of GP surgeries
 - Employability training and support in accessing jobs through the Discover Work programme
 - Campaigning for a Citizen's Basic Income
 - The Engage Dundee process, which seeks the views of citizens on what matters most to them
 in their local areas, and what will make the biggest positive difference to their lives
 - Inclusion of impact on socio-economic status as one of the key characteristics that new plans and policies are measured against as part of our Integrated Impact Assessment process
- Support for Community Councils and Neighbourhood Representative Structures through the Community Empowerment Team
- Using a range of approaches to try and reduce the 'poverty attainment gap', which longer term will impact positively on opportunities for all
- Undertaking a range of activities to reduce health inequalities between the least and most deprived areas of the city

As I said at the start, this is just a basic introduction to the topic. There are several websites you can visit if you want to know more in addition to the two linked in the narrative above;

- Community-Wealth.org has a handy 6m 39s video on what CWB is
- Rethinking Poverty have a blog article <u>here</u>
- And for those of you with a bit more time to spare, there is an Improvement Service webinar aimed at Elected Members (just over one hour long) here

Until our next issue, please take care and stay safe.

Paul Davies Senior Community Planning Officer Dundee Partnership Team

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Challenge Poverty Week

The Poverty Alliance's Challenge Poverty Week takes place from the 4^{th} – 10^{th} October, and a range of activities will be taking place around Dundee. If you could, or are considering holding an event then there are plenty of resources to support you available <u>here</u>.

CHALLENGE POVERTY WEEK

One of our own Equality & Fairness Officers, Anna Yule, is coordinating the sharing of information on events and promotions taking place locally. If you would like your event to be promoted via DCC's social media channels, please contact her at anna.yule@dundeecity.gov.uk by close on the 20th September.

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The Face of Experience - Portrait Competition

As part of the Dundee Year of the Older Person, let me bring to your attention the opportunity to participate in "THE FACE OF EXPERIENCE 2021, *Pensioner Portrait Competition*, a partnership event between the Pensioners Forum, V&A Dundee, Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art & Design and Dundee Volunteer and Voluntary Action. Please see poster here.

This painting challenge is open to people of all ages and skill, and we would like to encourage as many people as possible to take part, from enthusiastic amateurs to more experienced artists. All participants are asked to complete an entry form and submit a sample of their work by 20 September. There will be a judging panel that will shortlist applicants and select up to 12 artists, who will have the opportunity to join the painting challenge on Tuesday 28 September at the







V&A Dundee. To enter contact olderpeoplesnetwork@dvva.scot.

Apart from artists, we are also looking for 3 sitters of pensionable age willing to sit for a minimum of 4 hours (11am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm). Comfortable chairs will be provided for all. Please email olderpeoplesnetwork@dvva.scot or phone 01382 305705 if anyone you know wish to put your name forward. The names will be put in a hat and the first three names drawn will be the sitters.

Please share with your networks and those you work with who might be interested.

29,000 Reasons - Fundraising for Youth Activities

Could you help our fundraising campaign for Dundee youth work? I know there are lots of potential uses for your £s right now so no bother if you need to let this one go by. I'd be delighted, though, if you were able to support Hot Chocolate in raising funds for youth work right across Dundee.

We've called it 29,000 Reasons cos that's how many 10-24 year olds are in our city and ten different youth work organizations will share the proceeds.

- Hot Chocolate, with some help from footballing friends, are doing 29,000 Keepy Uppies in two weeks... you could help by Donating here: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/29000KeepyUppies
- Asking all your friends to donate there!
- Sharing our promotional posts from @hotchocotrust or @Reasons29 (Twitter), Hot Chocolate Trust or 29,000 Reasons (Facebook) or @29000_reasons (Instagram)

Thanks for any help you can offer.

Dave Close (He/him), Executive Director, Hot Chocolate Trust Reg. Scottish Charity SC035714 www.hotchocolate.org.uk



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BSL Consultation Event

The British Deaf Association (BDA) are hosting a Zoom workshop for members of the deaf community on Wednesday 15th September, 6pm – 8pm. The topic is: 'Are you happy or not happy with your council or NHS?' The workshop will look at how to give feedback in either case, and let you know more about how complaints work. To find out more click here.



Carers Decide – Group Work Programme

Meet other carers - Share & Learn from your caring experience

Whether you're new to caring or have been caring for a while, your experiences are probably vast and varied. You're the expert; you understand the things carers deal with and you are best placed to share this knowledge with other carers.



Check out our online and face to face groups that are being held: <u>Carers Decide Groupwork - Face to Face group</u> – 14 September Carers Decide Groupwork - Parent Carers for children up to the age of 18 - 8 September

Chamber of Commerce Update

Dundee & Angus Chamber of Commerce launched their new website back in July and are seeking



feedback on it. They are also keen to see new members being referred to them, and some DUNDEE & ANGUS stakeholders in the building trade have been interviewed in relation to the creation of a stakeholders in the building trade have been circular economy within that area of industry. To read more, click here.

Equality & Diversity Fund Supported Art Sessions

As part of the Refugee Festival 2021, families were able to participate in the Festival thanks to a £400 grant award from DCCs Equality and Diversity Fund and additional support from the Scottish Refugee Council. Nine art sessions were delivered leading up to June's Festival.

The art sessions were delivered in partnership with creative recycling organisation Scrap Antics and brought together New Scots families with others from Russia and Scotland. Relationships were successfully developed leading to the final three sessions taking place in person. A number of the same families are still engaged in art and outdoor activities. To read more and view the artworks created, click here.



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Dundee Partnership - Engagement & Participation Framework

Throughout the pandemic, people in communities have continued to be involved in the life and decisions of the city, mainly through participating in online forums. The City Council and partners have continued to look at ways to involve people in communities and have sought to identify issues and gain feedback on the impact of lockdown and Covid.

We have a strong record of community engagement and involvement and we wish to build on that to ensure that we look to involve as many people as possible in future decision making. Our new Framework for Engagement and Participation sets out the principles and guidelines which our



engagement work with follow. It represents the commitment given by the Dundee Partnership to involve communities and to ensure high quality standards are followed which are fair, inclusive and appropriate to the situation. To download the full document, click here.

Eye Health

Scotland has a new website dedicated to providing everyone with information on eye health. The website has information for the general public, eye care professionals, and partner organisations. Information available includes guidance on what to do if you have an eye problem, how to look after your eyes, and what help you can get with the cost of glasses and contact lenses. To find out more, click here.



Integrated Mental Health & Substance Use Pathfinder

The Tayside Pathfinder programme aims to support changes in the way mental health and substance use support and services work together. This work aims to improve quality of care and health outcomes for people with mental health and substance use support needs. Current activities are building on the good practice and initiatives already in place. NHS Health Improvement Scotland are



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Hillcrest Heroes Awards

This is your chance to nominate a Hillcrest tenant that you think has really made a difference to the community, or someone's life. If you are the one who has gone above and beyond, then why not nominate yourself. Hillcrest's housing and maintenance teams will also be nominating tenants who they saw making a difference.



There are two award categories: Young Neighbourhood Hero 2021 (up to the age of 16), and Neighbourhood Hero 2021. Nominations can be emailed to customerservices@hillcresthomes.org.uk, or written submissions can be sent to Tenant Participation, Hillcrest, 1 Explorer Rd, Dundee DD2 1EG. For more information on the criteria and prizes, click here.

Leisure & Culture Dundee - Feedback Survey

As we approach a new norm, Leisure and Culture Dundee is seeking feedback from our customers which will help inform our strategic planning as the City of Dundee begins recovery from the Covid-

19 pandemic. Please take approximately ten minutes of your time to tell us about the services you use and how likely you will continue to use them in the future. As a thank you for your assistance, you will also have the opportunity to enter the free prize draw to win an e-voucher for a retailer of your choice by providing your details at the end of the survey. Click here to take the survey.



Marie Curie - Easy Read Materials

Marie Curie provides a range of <u>free booklets and resources</u> for people approaching end of life, grieving, or caring for someone who is, including <u>easy reads</u> with simple words and pictures to help you understand the information.

If you live in the UK, you can order any of these for free online or by calling our Support Line on 0800 090 2309.



Princes Trust - Health & Social Care

The Princes Trust are delivering four online sessions to help you explore Health & Social Care. These sessions aim to help young people (18-30) understand more about the types of jobs available, identify the skills needed, and identify a role that is right for them. To find out more, click here, or call 0800 842842.





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Penumbra Workshops

Peer led Wellbeing Workshops

- Penumbra workshops focus on wellbeing and offer an opportunity for a group of
 people with a shared interest to come together to share knowledge and
 experience and explore tips, ideas and practical steps that can be taken and used
 to empower us to improve our wellbeing and aid us in our recovery.
- Workshops are <u>FREE</u> and are facilitated by Peer Workers, who have their own lived experience of mental health recovery.

To find out more about the workshops, click <u>here</u>.



ShaperCaper – Movement Classes for Parkinson's



<u>Shaper/Caper</u> hosts a weekly <u>movement class</u> designed especially for those with Parkinson's disease, their families and their carers. These classes are suitable for people with no dance experience and will develop participants' confidence and creativity, whilst addressing Parkinson's specific concerns such as balance, flexibility, coordination, gait and social isolation. To read more, click <u>here</u>.

Tackling Social Isolation – Services Reopening

David Millar, Social Isolation Coordinator at Dundee Volunteer & Voluntary Action (DVVA) comes into contact with a lot of services as part of his work with One Stop Shop. He has created an online 'padlet' to share information on services that are currently running across the city, and is also happy to take referrals of anyone experiencing frailty and social isolation. To find out more, click <a href="https://example.com/here/new/mills/he



Equality & Human Rights Commission – Consultation on Strategic Plan for 2022-25

The EHRC has a duty under the Equality Act 2006 to review and consult on its strategic plan at least once every three years. They have published a draft of their strategic plan, and are running an open public consultation from 16 August 2021 until 30 September 2021. For more information, and to access the survey, click here.





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Veterans – Tackling Social Isolation

Do you know a Veteran living in Angus, Tayside or Fife who is lonely or isolated?

A new pilot project at Scottish Veterans' Rosendael Residence in Broughty Ferry is reaching out to isolated Veterans who would enjoy some social contact, support and activities. Veterans taking part could enjoy a meal or a coffee morning, take part in activities and meet other Veterans.



They will be able to meet with qualified support staff to discuss their support needs and how the Rosendael team will be able to help. Activities on offer include art, cycling, walking and gardening. Veterans of any age can be referred. There is no cost to the participant and help can be provided with transport costs to Rosendael. To find out more call 01382 477078 and ask for Carol, Darren or Andy or e-mailinfo@syronline.org with the subject header 'Reaching Out to Veterans in Angus, Tayside and Fife'. To find out more about SVR, click here.

Connecting Scotland

The Connecting Scotland Programme aims to get 60,000 digitally excluded households online by the end of 2021. Organisations can apply for support on behalf of the people they work with. This includes:

- Digital devices iPads and/or Chromebooks
- Internet connectivity a mobile WiFi hotspot with 24 months unlimited data
- Training and support for staff and volunteers to become 'digital champions' to support people to use the internet confidently and safely



Applications are now open for Phase 3, Round 2 (Employability). The closing date is Monday, 27th September at 5pm. For more information, click here.

Dundee Access Group: Get in Touch

The primary aim of **Dundee Access Group** is to ensure that people with disabilities can enjoy as many of the facilities of Dundee as possible.

To do this

- We suggest ways in which shops and public buildings can be altered to ensure that, wherever possible, people with disabilities can gain access to
- We liaise with Dundee Council when new buildings are planned and when existing buildings are altered
- We give advice on disability issues when consulted
- We are affiliated to Disability Equality Scotland (previously known as Scottish Disability Equality Forum) which has a mission of making Scotland fully accessible



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Find out more and get in touch via http://dundeeaccessgroup.co.uk/.

Scottish Community Councils Facebook Page

This information comes from the Improvement Service Newsletter. To visit the Facebook page, click here.



Scottish Community Councils Facebook page launched

The Scottish Community Councils Facebook page

was launched earlier this year and we are keen to ensure that the page becomes both a resource for community councillors and a forum for highlighting best practice and innovative projects by community councils. We would encourage those involved with community councils to like or follow the page.

New Employability in Scotland website

We are pleased to announce that the new **Employability in Scotland website** is now live. The new website aims to showcase the breadth of support offered by partners across the employability sector.

The website has been developed in collaboration with partners across the employability sector and we thank those who have engaged with us in providing feedback on the development of the structure of the site through to the development of content. The Scottish Government will continue to review and develop the website and engage our partners to ensure accuracy, relevance, and accessibility. We welcome feedback on what you like about the website and areas that you think could be improved upon. You can send comments to EmployabilitySG@qov.scot.



SURF E-Bulletin Links

- Funding Tesco Community Grants (<u>link</u>);
- Funding Creative Wellbeing fund launched (<u>link</u>);
- Funding Creative Scotland Open Fund for Individuals (<u>link</u>);
- Supporting local communities Scotland Loves Local fund (link);
- Call for £100m community wealth fund to help locals contribute to Scotland's future (link);
- Majority of Scots back keeping £20 per week increase to Universal Credit (link);
- Public Health Scotland supports retaining uplift to universal credit (<u>link</u>);
- The race to net zero: A look at Scotland and the climate emergency (link);
- Katherine Trebeck meets Sustainababble (<u>link</u>);
- Designing a Lower Carbon Scotland (<u>link</u>)
- Consultation Historic Environment Scotland Grants Refresh Consultation (link);
- Third sector leader appointed to Fair Work Convention (<u>link</u>);
- Pre-eviction protocols among temporary coronavirus measures which could be made permanent (link);
- Event Our World Reimagined Can the Feeley Review Lead to A Care Economy? (link);

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- UK City of Culture 2025: Which Scottish cities have applied? (link);
- Supporting Community Access to Digital PB Tools in Scotland (<u>link</u>)
- Can Community Wealth Building Scale Up? (link);
- Learning how to live well together (<u>link</u>);

National Care Service Consultation

The Scottish Government is consulting about proposed changes to the way social care is delivered in Scotland. They want views from as many people as possible – including members of the public, the workforce, people who need care and support, carers, and those who may need care and support in the future.

You can take part in the consultation on line by visiting <u>A National Care Service for Scotland - Scottish Government - Citizen Space (consult.gov.scot)</u>. Easy read and BSL versions of the information are available. You can also book an on line meeting to give your views. The deadline for responses is 2 November 2021.



If you are unable to complete the online form, you can print and complete a respondent information form and return it by post. The form can be found here.

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Partner Links

Department for Work & Pensions
Dundee & Angus Chamber of Commerce
Dundee & Angus College
Dundee City Council
Dundee Health & Social Care Partnership
Dundee Partnership
Dundee Social Enterprise Network
Dundee University
Dundee Volunteer & Voluntary Action
Job Centre Plus
Leisure & Culture Dundee

NHS Tayside
My Wellbeing
Protecting People Dundee
Police Scotland
Scottish Enterprise
Scottish Fire & Rescue Service
Scottish Government
Skills Development Scotland
TACTRAN
Tayside Criminal Justice Authority
University of Abertay Dundee

Local Links

Active Schools Newsletter
Amina Muslim Women's Resource Centre
Boomerang Community Centre
Carers of Dundee
Citizen's Advice Bureau
Coldside Angels
DIAL-OP
Discovery Credit Union
Dundee Access Group

Dundee Blind & Partially Sighted Society
Dundee Carers Centre
Dundee Federation of Tenants Associations
Dundee Independent Advocacy Service
Dundee International Women's Centre
Dundee Law Centre
Dundee Pensioners Forum
Dundee United Community Trust
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Food Train
Funeral Link
Good Governance Award
Hillcrest Adult Drug & Alcohol Service
Independent Living Dundee & Angus
Lead Scotland
Meal Makers
Parish Nursing
Penumbra

Positive Steps
Protecting People in Dundee (multi-agency)
Salvation Army
Shaper Caper
Shelter Scotland
Tay Cities Deal
Tayside Council on Alcohol
The Corner
Transform Furniture
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National Links

A Local Information System for Scotland (ALISS)
Action for Children

British Deaf Association

Carnegie UK

Funding Scotland

Joseph Rowntree Foundation

National Lottery Community Fund

One Scotland Parklives

People's Postcode Trust

Power of Attorney Campaign

Princes Trust

Robertson Trust

Royal National Institute for the Blind

Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations

(SCVO)

Scottish Living Wage Accreditation Initiative

Scottish Urban Regeneration Forum

(SURF)

Social Security Scotland

Visit Scotland

Useful Apps

Recovery Roadmap - Android - Apple

Submission Dates

We will issue an e-bulletin every two months. To enable us to compile articles and carry out formatting or editing, please submit any articles to us at: Dundee.Partnership@dundeecity.gov.uk by the dates below.

Issue #	Submissions Deadline	Issue Date
34	22 nd October	November 2021
35	17 th December	January 2022
36	18 th February	March 2022

Feedback

We welcome any feedback on the e-bulletin so that we are able to make ongoing improvements in format and content that meets the needs of all who receive the bulletin.

Please send any comments to Dundee.Partnership@dundeecity.gov.uk

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We also make occasional use of the mailing list to send out additional information and Dundee Partnership event invitations. If you do not wish to be contacted with these, please let us know.

If you know of anyone who would like to receive the e-bulletin, please feel free to pass this issue on to them and encourage them to contact us at the above email address.