



NOTE OF MEETING

Subject: East End Local Community Planning Partnership
Date: 15th November 2023
Location: Douglas Community Centre

Item		Action
	<p>Present:</p> <p>Jacqui Kopel (Locality Lead) - DCC Customer Services and IT</p> <p>Alan Gunn - DCC Communities Officer</p> <p>Baillie Christina Roberts</p> <p>Emma Gordon- DVVA</p> <p>Carole Jenkins- Douglas Community Spaces</p> <p>Adrienne Cooper-Mid-Lin Day Care</p> <p>Fraser Bain- DCC Community Empowerment</p> <p>Elaine Sword- DCC Community Health Team</p> <p>Kevin Phillip- Friends of Linlathen</p> <p>Chris King- Angus Housing</p> <p>Lydia Banks- Angus Housing</p> <p>Carole Jenkins- Douglas Community Spaces Group</p> <p>Councillor Dorothy McHugh</p> <p>Fay Costello- Brooksbank Centre</p> <p>Annie Hosie- School and Family Development Worker- St Pius</p> <p>Sasha Ritch- St Pius</p> <p>Gary Knox- DCC City Development</p> <p>Gemma Watson- DCC City Development</p> <p>Sandy Boyd- DCC Environment Department</p> <p>Andy Masterton- Police Scotland</p> <p>Adrienne Cooper- Mid-Lin Day Care</p> <p>Tina Ross- Head Teacher Rowantree Primary</p>	

	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Baillie Will Dawson, Councillor Dorothy McHugh, Fiona Reekie (DCC Housing), Scott Hunter (Police Scotland) Art Sangster (Douglas Local Management Group), Baillie Dawson, Michelle Reid (Craigie high), Alison Macaulay (East Youth Team-update provided), Audrey Thompson (Rocksolid- update provided) Chris Bonnar (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service- Update Provided)</p>	
1	<p>WELCOME AND APOLOGIES:</p> <p>Jacqui welcomed everyone to the meeting. Apologies were noted as above.</p>	
2	<p>MINUTES OF LAST MEETING (31/08/23):</p> <p>Minutes agreed as accurate.</p>	
3	<p>COMMUNITY PLAN SUBGROUPS:</p> <p>Alan gave an overview of some of the developments and progress within the Community Planning Subgroups including:</p> <p>Green and Open Spaces</p> <p>Dundee City Council Environment Department and East END CRF forum have worked up an application to upgrade Pitairlie Park and Douglas ABC park. Community Empowerment Team have worked with the youth team to design a new sign for the ABC park.</p> <p>Work to is due to start imminently on the three Linlathen active play trails delivered through the Linlathen Fairness Initiative.</p> <p>Douglas Diggers project- Claypotts Castle PTA have applied to the Climate Change fund, partnership project with Douglas Community Spaces Group, ALBA explorers, Community Empowerment Team & Douglas Medical Centre to develop the space at the back of the GP surgery for gardening and growing involving children and parents.</p> <p>Recovery and Wellbeing</p> <p>The East End Recovery and Wellbeing Subgroup has issued £12,846.75 of devolved funding from the Alcohol and Drug Partnership through a grant funding process. The successful projects were:</p> <p>CLD East Youth Team (Youth media project)- £3050 Street Soccer (East End Physical Wellbeing Sessions)- £4166.75 We are With You/Ancrum- Outdoor Hillwalking sessions - £2820 Brooksbank Centre/Justbee (Dryve nights)- £2810</p> <p>Through this funding programmes now running weekly across the East End on a Monday at Douglas sports centre, Wednesday walking group at Douglas Community centre and Friday physical activity at Brooksbank centre. There will also be a programme of Ancrum hillwalking to follow.</p> <p>Brooksbank are also offering free yoga and Zumba sessions on a Thursday.</p> <p>Community Safety</p>	

	<p>The next Dundee East community safety partnership meeting will focus on community safety days at the high schools in the east of Dundee and co-ordinating partner input.</p> <p>Linlathen Fairness Initiative Steering Group</p> <p>Some key progress points with regards to the Linlathen Fairness Initiative so far are: Phase 1 of External Wall Insulation programme has been approved although there is no confirmed date as yet as to when community engagement and work will progress.</p> <p>Scottish Government funded Out of School care continue delivering free childcare service, 46 children currently accessing.</p> <p>Steering group co-ordinating a Linlathen Community event during the inservice day on the 16th of February.</p> <p>Floodlights purchased through Anti Social Behaviour Team funding and Youthwork now delivering 3 nights per week at Rowantree.</p> <p>Dundee United Sports Club were successful in accessing SFA funding to deliver after school and holiday activity to targeted families at Rowantree and St Pius.</p> <p>Community empowerment team are supporting a new Linlathen/Mid Craigie family activity group, with the group holding their first event on the 16th December at the Hub.</p> <p>East End Community Campus</p> <p>Recent community engagement events held at Douglas Community Centre and Finmill Centre.</p> <p>Positive feedback was given about the design plans and the facilities. Where concerns were raised was in relation to safety with children and the public accessing the building, community having access to facilities during the day and concerns about impact on existing facilities.</p> <p>Councillor McHugh asked about further EECC community engagement events. Alan advised that two further sessions in Mid Craigie/Linlathen and Whitfield</p>	
<p>4</p>	<p>COMMUNITY PLAN PRIORITY FOCUS:</p> <p>Cost of Living-</p> <p>Sub group met Friday 10th Nov- Finalised open doors information containing lots of activity and food support across the ward.</p> <p>Included the increased financial, employability energy advice that is now available across the East End as well as contacts for support within schools.</p> <p>Douglassports centre are accepting donations of cosy coats which can be distributed at local community facilities.</p> <p>Community Empowerment Team running a volunteer event celebrating contributions of volunteers across the ward at the Michelin Innovation Parc on the 25th November.</p> <p>Community Voice-</p>	

	<p>Kevin Phillip updated on the progress of the Friends of Linlathen Community voice group. The group have been engaging with wider stakeholders and partners looking at making positive changes in Linlathen such as DCC Youth Work, Xplore Bus Company, DCC Environment Dept and Police Scotland.</p> <p>Fraser Bain advised that there is a new community voice group which has been established in Douglas. This is in the very early stages and the group are in the process of creating a programme of community engagement.</p>	
5	<p>BROOKSBANK LIFTING LINLATHEN UPDATE</p> <p>Fay Costello advised that Brooksbank Centre had been awarded funding through Scottish Government's Investing in Communities Fund to target resources to the Linlathen area as part of the local Fairness Initiative. This allowed for three new posts to be filled to increase capacity to offer Linlathen residents money advice, social and learning opportunities and child safety support.</p> <p>Fay advised that they had just completed the first year funding report which is measured against 25 outcomes. Progress was measured using indicators including financial gains, referrals made, qualitative feedback from participants and attendances.</p> <p>There are now two weekly drop-in sessions taking at Brooksbank where residents can access a range of money, employability, energy and housing support on a Tuesday and a Thursday.</p>	
6	<p>MID-LIN DAYCARE ASSET TRANSFER UPDATE</p> <p>Adrienne Cooper updated on the recently submitted asset transfer request. Mid-Lin Day Care have applied to take ownership of the land within their current leased site on Pitkerro Drive.</p> <p>The proposal involves demolishing the current building and developing a new purpose built building. Adrienne advised that the new build would better meet the needs of their current service users, allow them to extend their support to older people and would also allow for more opportunity for wider community use of the building.</p> <p>The board at Mid-lin have been engaging with external funders and developing interest in the project.</p> <p>Adrienne updated the Mid-Lin continue to look to be involved in local community opportunities and have had recent joint working with Rowantree Primary and are working with a range of community partners to put on a Christmas Event on 7th December.</p>	
7	<p>COMMUNITY WISHES:</p> <p>Rachael Thomas (DCC Community Wealth Building Co-Ordinator) provided an updated on the new Community Wishes programme, please see attached briefing paper for further information.</p> <p>The programme involves local community groups generating ideas for "community wishes" that can be carried out by companies that have been awarded contracts through Dundee City Council. Rachael gave examples of ideas like fitting outdoor taps for community growing or decorating rooms in community facilities.</p> <p>The Community Empowerment Team will have a role to play in moderating the community wishes that are submitted.</p>	

	<p>The LCPP can take a role in generating some of these ideas or discussing ideas that have been submitted but may need explored further.</p> <p>The hope is to launch the scheme in June.</p> <p>There was a consensus among the LCPP partners that this was a positive development.</p>	
9.	<p>SERVICE AND GROUP UPDATES:</p> <p><u>Angus Housing</u></p> <p>Lydia and Chris advised that they are now offering a fortnightly drop-in at The Hub library to facilitate engagement with Mid-Craigie Angus Housing tenants.</p> <p>The housing site at St Vincents will progress and work could potentially start January/February next year. There will be 21 properties with a combination of houses and flats.</p> <p><u>DCC Environment</u></p> <p>Sandy advised that the grass cutting season had now ceased and general tidy up work was taking place.</p> <p>There has been a significant amount of work required following Storm Babet. Carole Jenkins passed on the appreciation of the Douglas Community Spaces Group for the recent maintenance work in Douglas Park.</p> <p><u>Police</u></p> <p>Andy Masterton advised that things had been quiet in the East End and youth anti-social behavior calls had reduced. Anti-social behavior across the ward has bene quieter generally.</p> <p>There have been issues of shoplifting at Craigie retail park which Police are taking a proactive role with.</p> <p><u>DVVA</u></p> <p>Emma Gordon encouraged partners to submit applications to the Community Mental Health and Wellbing fund.</p> <p><u>Douglas Community Spaces Group</u></p> <p>Carole updated on the Douglas Diggers climate change application submitted by Claypotts parent council and the potential for partnership working with the group.</p> <p>A new volunteer has been recruited through DWP and is being supported by Nick Toner, DCSG, to undertake work in the park.</p> <p>4 new trustees were elected to the committee at the last AGM.</p> <p>Carole shared the new copy of Douglas Live and Kicking with partners containing information about local projects, activities and cost of living support.</p> <p>The group are hoping to progress with developing a sustainable maintenance programme for the park.</p> <p>The lighting for the MUGA in the park will be installed shortly. Gary Knox agreed to follow up with Tayside Contracts to ascertain a timescale.</p>	

10	AOCB: Councillor McHugh asked about support available to the new residents at Kingsway apartments, who have been allocated accommodation through the home office, highlighting her concern for the welfare of the residents. Alan advised that a range of voluntary sector services are offering support such as Street Soccer and Dundee United Community Trust. Lali Tudela from DVVA continues to engage with third sector partners around this. Fay Costello advised that they had met with the project manager from Mears, who have the contract from the office for supporting the residents, and discussed links with smoking cessation to potentially reduce financial outgoings for the residents, acknowledging their very limited budget.	
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