



Community Planning Aberdeen

Torry Locality Partnership

Wednesday 11th October 2017, 6pm

Meeting Room: Tullos Learning Centre

MEETING NOTE ONE

Present:

Colin Wright (Interim Locality Manager)
Jade Hepburn (Development Officer, minutes)
Derek Bain (Police Scotland, Community Partnerships in Torry)
Shamini Omnes (NHS, Public Health Coordinator)
Laura Horn (Big Noise, Team Leader)
Margaret Wright (Community Rep)
Normund Varganovs (Community Rep)
Blessing (Community Rep)
Fay Morrison (Community Rep)
Susan Morrison (ACVO TSI,)
Graham Dale (Sport Aberdeen,)
Councillor Christian Allard

Apologies:

Christopher Kerr (Police Scotland, Inspector)
Councillor Yvonne Allan
Neil Hendry (Lochside Academy, Head Teacher)
Jenny Cranna (Torry Academy, Head Teacher)
Blessing Udofia (Community Rep)

ACTION POINTS	ACTION LEAD
Minutes of Meeting 30th August 2017	
Matters Arising	
Priority Families- Colin raised the issue around 'criteria' for families to receive support from the service. He has arranged a meeting with Jill	Colin.W

<p>Strachan, the manager for priority families to discuss this.</p> <p>Drugs & Alcohol – Colin advised Alcohol and Drugs Action (ADA) would be willing to provide a one hour training session to staff and community members to raise awareness of the work happening in the area. They are also looking for potential community ‘champions’ for the area to advocate for the services.</p> <p>In addition, Colin wishes to look at the development of the outreach work around drugs and alcohol in the area.</p> <p>Shamini advised the group of an impact assessment that has recently been completed. The Older Peoples Network and the Police were among those interviewed for the report, conducted by the Public Health Surveyor. Shamini told the group the report would be available to view soon.</p> <p>Margaret felt it would be useful for there to be local premises available for community members with issues around drugs and/or alcohol to go where they could be advised of services available to them.</p> <p>Laura asked if it was possible for there to be space in the new community hub for the drug and alcohol services to be based. Cllr Allan felt that this is something that should be encouraged by the locality partnership.</p> <p>Shamini felt it should be a space that encompasses all of the drug services available, not just ADA. Laura agreed but stressed that it should be an accessible space for all and not daunting to those accessing the services. Margaret agreed, adding that it is something that should be started up before the hub opens so that services can establish relationships prior to moving to the hub.</p> <p>In relation to the drug services, Colin had information from the Seaton Hub. Their drug service has recently moved to be located in the hub and hearsay is that users initially found the transition difficult. Susan weighed in advising they are waiting to see if Seaton Hub will also allow 3rd sector organisations to use the space.</p> <p>Margaret felt if they were an existing group it would be easier for them to feel a sense of ownership around the development of the hub, therefore perhaps would be more likely to get involved in determining the provision of the hub.</p> <p>Fay asked what existing premises have drug and alcohol services programmed. Colin advised Jesus House provided ad-hoc support to</p>	<p>Shamini to pass on report when it is available</p> <p>Susan to keep informed</p>
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<p>those that require it and to contact Blessing for more information. In addition Colin mentioned the cuppa with a purpose sessions recently set up at Tullos Learning Centre by Aberdeen in Recovery (AIR).</p> <p>Colin asked the group - how can we engage with the addicts that are not making themselves known?</p> <p>Shamini agreed this was a difficult question to answer stating we can put the physical resource in place but the important work is the building of relationships and being aware that there are potential disengaged addicts in the area.</p> <p>The possibility of some consultation work around listening and talking to drug and alcohol users about how they feel was mooted. Margaret felt the confident addicts may help engage those behind closed doors.</p> <p>Colin confirmed the design process is starting for the hub. The hope is that by the next meeting we will be in a position to have a discussion on how the group see the hub working and how to ensure the community are engaged in the process. Cllr Allan felt it may be useful to gather some information from the new Middlefield Hub.</p> <p>Derek provided an update on drug use in schools advising this is a Grampian wide issue. A new policy on this is being drafted and an intelligence form is going out to all schools so that resources can be put where they are needed. The hope is that the policy will be accepted as best practice going forward.</p> <p>Shamini corrected the minute to note her apologies were passed. Minute was approved.</p>	<p>Derek to pass on intelligence form to group if possible.</p>

<p>Election of Chairperson</p> <p>Everyone was in agreement to have a revolving chair. This will begin at the next meeting and rotate alphabetically by surname.</p>	
<p>Locality Plan</p>	

Effective Partnership Minutes

Colin opened up the floor to opinions on the partnership meetings so far. His feelings were that they were good but not as focused and purposeful as he had hoped. He highlighted that it is important for the group to use the data (i.e. from the locality plan) to help us make decisions.

Colin felt it is important to ensure we all have a collective sense of ownership of the partnership and first and foremost ensuring it is centred around what the community wants whilst also ensuring what is already happening is fit for purpose.

Fay felt that communication is key to succeeding. Whilst she thinks that the communication has been good and useful so far, she would like more community reps to become involved.

Laura would like the meetings to be more focused and action orientated. Suggested we pick one or two bits from the locality plan and focus meetings around specific bits of that. Derek and Margaret agreed. Laura also suggested we have bite-sized plans within the larger plan so that it feels more manageable. I.e. 'by year one we hope to have..'

Derek suggested we generate short term working groups which focus specifically on the aspects of the plan that relate to the groups area of work.

Margaret suggested work updates to be emailed in advance of the meetings to save time.

Shamini noted that not all of the drivers within the plan have baselines so perhaps working to find baselines for areas without any and be realistic with what is achievable.

Graham asked where the measures have come from. Colin advised through a mixture of consultation, largely with the local community. However noted that it is important to recognise that the locality plan is a living document and can be changed in an objective way. Scope to change/reduce improvement measures where necessary.

Margaret suggested picking topics around areas we can see may develop into an issue and provide support before it gets worse- early intervention.

Laura suggested starting with the baselines we already have.

Shamini would like to ensure we have a balance between what the community want and the strategic data with more community reps around the table.

Margaret is concerned community members have a certain amount of apathy –negativity breeds negativity.

Cllr Allard suggested reviewing the plan/our plan annually. Laura agreed, suggesting splitting it into short, medium and long term goals.

Colin suggested the group take the plan away, update the improvement measures where they see appropriate and send it back in advance of the next meeting.

All group members

<p>Maintaining and developing engagement with local community</p> <p>Colin asked the group what we could do to continue engagement with the local community.</p> <p>The suggestions were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Our own newsletter• SHMU – Torry Vision/Torry Treasures/ news desk• Social Media• Newsbite• ACVO e-bulletin	

<p>Margaret suggested it would be good to see how the other locality groups are run.</p> <p>It was felt Participatory Budgeting could be a good way to re-engage some of the community, providing an update of successful and unsuccessful applicants and putting this out to the wider community.</p> <p>Cllr Allard felt that the ‘We Love Torry’ event is a good opportunity to make the partnership known.</p> <p>Laura thought linking in with Torry Academy’s ‘Year of Celebration’ may also be a good opportunity.</p> <p>Margaret suggested using existing, established groups to advise disengaged community members- i.e. St Fitticks Lunch Club. Using this to provide information and also as an opportunity to find out what they would like to see. Emphasised importance of not being a ‘faceless wonder’ in the first instance and actually meeting people and going places- not just telephone and email contact. Laura agreed, stating that it also needs to be ongoing.</p> <p>Susan advised doing this after we have identified priorities and plan of action. Margaret suggested having a year’s programme/plan to share with community members. Shamini agreed, also suggesting a community calendar- to be shared with all organisations including faith groups and uniformed organisations.</p> <p>Laura queried the branding for the partnership. Colin advised we would revisit the school doing this and Laura volunteered the Big Noise kids. In addition, Laura advised Big Noise had created a song about Torry inclusive of what the young people liked the most about living there that we could maybe use to promote the group.</p> <p>It was also suggested that the branding could be supported by Victoriart artists – the creation of a cartoon/torry character. Possible promo video of song and overview of the partnership and what it means. A flash mob was also suggested.</p>	
<p>Any other Business</p> <p>Dragados –Susan reminded the group of the dragados timebank and the need to make use of the provision the offer.</p>	

<p>Laura suggested for each group member to bring 1 community member possible rep per person. It was agreed that the group would do this for the 31st of January meeting.</p> <p>Shamini reminded the group that the HIF fund is open until the end of October and encouraged the group to advise community members of this. There is up to £2,500 available per application. There is a drop in at Tullos Learning Centre on Friday from 10am. Shamini also advised that the 1st draft health and social care locality plan out in the next few weeks.</p> <p>Derek brought an upcoming training session on community engagement and asset transfer to the groups attention. This will be held at the beach ballroom on the 2nd of November and tickets are available from Eventbrite.</p> <p>Laura suggested Torry Academy as a venue for meetings. Colin noted this and will look into it further</p> <p>Shamini also alerted the group to a Co-Production Project on Diabetes. Diabetes type one or two has been identified as a priority for the south. Labs will be held for 'experts' by experience on diabetes i.e. those living with it, on the 7th of November at Frederick Street Training Centre from 12.30pm. The discussion will be held around what they find the support given to them is like and what they find is missing from the support.</p>	<p>All members 31st January</p> <p>Colin to send link to group</p> <p>Colin to investigate</p> <p>Shamini to pass on info so the group can share this opportunity</p>
<p>7. DONM</p> <p>The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 29th of November</p>	
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