

**Northfield Total Place**

**Locality Partnership Board Meeting**

**NORTHFIELD ACADEMY**

**Wednesday 29th August 2018 9.15am – 11.15am**

**M I N U T E S**

**Present:**

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Name** | **Title/Agency** | | Garry McNulty(Chair) | Resident, Northfield | | Kay Diack | Housing Access and Support Manager, Aberdeen City Council | | Martin Smith | Locality Inclusion Manager, Aberdeen City Council | | Ali Dow | Depute Head Teacher, Northfield Academy | | Arthur Forbes | Civic Forum Member and Local Resident | | Bert Donald | Resident, Chair of Mastrick Community Council | | Cllr Gordon Graham | Councillor, Aberdeen City Council | | Cllr Jackie Dunbar | Councillor, Aberdeen City Council | | Elizabeth Barry | Resident, Chair of Middlefield Community Project | | Fiona Gray | Development Manager, Aberdeen City Council | | Gavin Morrison | Head Teacher, Northfield Academy | | Karen Main | Inspector – Police Scotland | | Katie Cunningham | Public Health Co-ordinator, Health and Social  Care Partnership | | Helen Graham | Middlefield Community Project Manager | | Susan Hislop | Resident, Vice Chair of Middlefield Community Project | | Angela Kazmierczak | Financial Inclusion Team Leader, Aberdeen City Council | | Kirsty Jarman | Department of Work and Pensions | | Ruth McDermont | Department of Work and Pensions | | Angela Taylor | Senior Project Officer, Aberdeen City Council | | Jeni Malcolm (minute taker) | Administrative Officer, Aberdeen City Council | |  |

**Apologies:**

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| **Name** | **Title/Agency** |
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| Vikki Wood | Resident, Vice Chair of Mastrick Community Centre |
| Cllr Ciaran McRae | Councillor, Aberdeen City Council |

# ****1 Welcome and Introductions****

Garry McNulty welcomed all to the Locality Partnership Board meeting and everyone introduced themselves.

# ****2 Apologies****

Apologies were given by: Vikki Wood and Cllr Ciaran McRae

# ****3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting****

Minutes accepted, proposed by Kay Diack, seconded by Arthur Forbes

**4 Universal Credit Presentation**

Presentation given by Ruth McDermott and Angela Kazmierczak giving an overview and awareness of what Universal Credit is, when it goes live on 31st October this year. Some points raised are:

* Assessed mostly online – digital support will be given and secure Wi-Fi to be in place
* Recruitment campaign for new housing staff to help give support
* Training for staff in place
* Expanding accessibility to network – at office in Mastrick just now
* Leaflets available for more information
* Possibility of doing a one off training session for other staff
* Scottish Welfare Fund can issue crisis grants and community care grants
* Will be a gradual roll out with new claimants and previous ‘live’ claimants
* Chance for claimants to request to pay rent straight to landlord

**5 Progress through Positive Partnership**

Angela Taylor handed out a leaflet. Will signpost to other agencies such as Pathways if unable to assist. Work experience is given through companies such as CHAP, Robertsons, cFine and Aberdeen City Council. Information emailed to councillors, on social media, posters and leaflets. Was discussed about possibility of making video about success story to post on media

**6 Tests of Change**

* **Unpaid Work Team** – Fiona Gray – progressing, comes down to person whether it is feasible for them to do their payback in local area
* **Circles of Community** – Fiona Gray/Vikki Wood – looking to provide something more local to Mastrick and continuing to source funding to start a group
* **Spare Room** – Martin Smith – any successful bid will affect benefits, will not be taken forward at this stage and look into different target of people
* **Positive Destinations - Good Life Choices(GLC)** - Gavin Morrison – tailor made sessions for children at 13 – 14 years old, to follow up with future programmes and will write it up.
* **Locality Voice** – Fiona Gray - ongoing to increase uptake. Maybe a reminder when questionnaire comes out to fill it in. Look to getting Northfield Academy to promote to 5th year pupils.
* **Gaming** – Helen Graham – not much done over summer. Hoping to get together with Derek Bain and make a presentation. Couple of questionnaires gone out. Hopefully, in next couple of months, schools will put out leaflet to raise awareness about game content and time limits for children on electronic devices.
* **Byron Square** – Fiona Gray - painting due at flats, some repairs being done – will progress
* **Chemist** – Fiona Gray - will check if chair is available when requested
* **Partnership Forum** – Fiona Gray – next meeting 4th October, inspected last year, due another visit in November
* **City Fibre** – Fiona Gray – ongoing, company seems open and willing to answering questions

**7 Middlefield Triangle Development**

Martin Smith - Site was put on open market. Scoring and assessment done. Report to go to Committee on 18 September 2018.

**8 Locality Plan Annual Update**

Kay Diack – any comments, please email or write out. Deferred until next Community Planning meeting in December. Leave on for next meeting

**9 AOCB**

**Karen Main** **– a** good summer, NYAG meeting – lots of positive stuff. Will be doing a road safety initiative with schools in September – October getting school children to talk to drivers about speeding especially around Springhill Road. Oldtown event on 3rd July, bonfire one due in October. Also thanked Kay Diack for all the hard work she’s done in the community and with the group which has made such a huge difference to the local area.

**Cllr Jackie Dunbar –** Is it possible to have Provost Rust Drive included in safety initiative as cars overtaking islands are an issue? KM will look into it, may be possible to do something else separately

**Katie Cunningham –** 13 projects funded through HiF this year – will share any information she can when available.

**Helen Graham –** 14 after school children now go swimming at Dyce Academy. Concerned at there being no trained help for those that self-harm. Lack of childcare services in the local area which affects those trying to get into/stay in work, especially with Manor Park crèche and Mastrick groups closing due to lack of staff.

**ACTION -** Asked for this to be put on the next agenda.

**Vikki Wood (Fiona Gray) –** Read updates from Vikki Wood regarding: lack of childcare in area now that Manor Park crèche and Mastrick playgroup are closing due to lack of staff. The management committee at Mastrick are now looking at the possibility of funding and running their own group as there is a need in the area. Mastrick Community Centre has been awarded funding from National Lottery Awards for All and Greggs Community Fund to fund chair based exercises. Hoping to start in September/October once a tutor is in place.

**Fiona Gray -** a busy summer with food and fun- citywide provided between 5000 – 6000 meals over the 6 weeks. A lot of positive feedback from parents. Takes a lot of staff to provide and not sure if capacity there. Was due to run again in October and December holidays.

Read out email from Fran Smith, former Development Worker for Aberdeen City Council who would like to request an introduction at the next meeting as her new role is working with the communities to identify gaps and any unmet need.

**ACTION** –Invite to next meeting

**Garry McNulty –** Runs a local football supporters club which is giving 30 children the chance to go with their parents to Glasgow in March to see a football game. Transport and food will be provided as well as other goody bags. Open to children of school age.

**ACTION -** Put in names for suggestion - ALL

**Cllr Jennifer Laing –** Thanked everyone for inviting her and will take away what was discussed at meeting

**10 Date of next meeting:**

Wednesday 31st October 2018 9.15am – 11.15am at Northfield Academy