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| **MEETING TITLE:** | **Priority Neighbourhood partnership** | **MEETING DATE:** 1st March 6.00pm on Teams and in person at Tillydrone Community Campus |
| **PRESENT:** | Abeer Elandy (Chair / Community Rep), Derek Bain (Police), Jane Fullerton (Community Rep), Mark Lovie (Fersands and Sandilands), Chris Smillie (PHC), Rachel Smith (Peoples Assemblies), Kirsten Douglas (Police), Keith Whyte (Police), Iona Mitchell (Fit Like Hubs), Bea Dawkins (ACVO), Graham Donald (Communities Team), Jenna Bissette (Community Development Worker), Murray Dawson (SHMU), Jane Hogg (guest – LIM), Craig Singer (guest YW manager), Andrew Hislop (SFRS), |
| **APOLOGIES:** | Susan Ironside (HT – Riverbank PS), Hazel Cameron (Councillor), Rae Christie (Police), Graeme Skene (Police), Fiona Grant (ACC -Admin) |
| **No** | **AGENDA ITEM** | **NOTES OF DISCUSSION** | **ACTION/DECISIONS** |  |
| **1** | **Welcome and Introductions** | A quick round of introductions |  |  |
| 2 | **Minutes from previous meeting, 16th January** | Support to Abeer has been ongoing – GDCraig Singer on agenda – GDRachel is now on the mailing list – GDEasy read reports, this has been raised within CPA team, it will be looked at – GDCommunity Consultation / new team / Rationalisation on agenda – GD / JLJane Hogg, housing, on agenda – AbeerIM to forward contact details to GD – OutstandingGS has spoken to IM re linking in with PoliceApproved by Jane F and seconded by Bea |  |  |
| 3 | **Youth Work** | Craig Singer – Youth Work ManagerCS was invited to discuss Youth Work (YW) in schools and the training of Youth Workers in the area.School YW are on fixed term and are in schools due to funding (from education). F/T YW in Academy, Sunnybank and St Machar. Focus on transition work and those up to 15 y/o.Some of the hours from school-based staff could be negotiated to come into community. What is the need, the requirement in the area (invite and discussion to be had with TCC management group)?Northfield Community Ctr has youth workers. This is separate to the work carried out in schools and funded differently. Mastrick CC has youth work. YW is resource led and goes back to what we are looking for. Focused, targeted etc.School YWers prioritise socialisation / anxiety, Mental Health Wellbeing. Increase across the City of anti-social behaviour possibly due to being locked down (?) and now getting back out.Working with more Young People (YP) and deliver awards, High five award, youth achievement, Saltire etc. School delivers DoE.JF, would the more vulnerable require more YW out with school, using outreach or detached? Concern from the management group – CS will be invited to meet them. There are quite a number of services in the area for YP, are they meeting the need of the YP in the area? Hopefully discussion at management group.DB involved in the outdoor youth hub at Sheddocksley, it has reached out to those who are non-attenders which demonstrates the importance of meeting in the YP in their area.Aberdeen Lads Club (ALC) are putting on limited YW in St Georges Church.Pre-Covid training was to encourage local support to deliver youth work. They can build capacity in local communities to provide Youth Work. Professional Development Award (PDA) course will be getting run again to allow volunteers to be trained to deliver which gives a qualification. Delivered in partnership with youth Scotland.MD – SHMU has funding to support those who are struggling in school. Perhaps a link with the YWers in school as a next step / stage. | JF to invite CS to Tillydrone Community Campus management group.CS / MD to link into progress. |  |
| **4** | **Housing** | Jane Hogg – Local Improvement Manager (Housing)ML – discussion with a group at Fersands re Housing issues, repairs and damp. And that there is difficulty in trying to get to speak to Officers. Other non-Housing staff are being asked for support and direction.JH – There is a 0300 number that you can contact and speak to an officer, this then gets referred on. (03000 200 292)Online is also another option.The phones have upgraded so that any calls go straight to the front of the que.No duty person, work with appointments, in their homes (refer back to the number / online contact).ML asked about drop-in sessions across the area. JH discussed how Housing Officers are engaging with various housing complexes. Housing involved in community walk abouts, invite residents to come and point out anything that might be needed. Resident led inspections of high risers, Housing Officers on sight and issues raised with them.Several changes in the service have started to support tenants in a number of ways.Block texts are sent out to remind tenants that there is a drop in. Can the plan of drop ins be distributed across the services in the area? Different type of engagements with information gathered depending on who can attend; specific buildings or walk abouts for area.Drop-in sessions can be arranged with Fersands.Responsibility for increasing temp accommodation across the city which takes away Housing Resources. | JH to send out information as to what Housing are making available across the area. GD to share.JH to provide GD with information for sharing.JH to contact ML re this. |  |
| **5** | **Community Ideas** | Graham Donald – Community Development OfficerOver the last 3 months Graham, along with colleagues has been doing an exercise whereby the communities of Tilly, Woodside and Seaton have had an opportunity to identify what Community Ideas they would like to see the PNP to focus on. Across all sessions and online there were 85 responses.GD shared the graphs showing what had been identified as the topics that the community wanted to give further support to;1. Utilise empty premises to encourage new business.
2. Silver Surfers training course for older people, to help people use the internet and smart phones.
3. Promote traineeships for young people, making it easier for local employers to access and encourage employers to get involved by raising awareness and providing information to employers.
4. Explore option of access to activities for young people at reduced cost through holiday periods to promote physical activity and support mental wellbeing.
5. Increase prevalence of benches to enable people to sit outside and rest whilst walking.
6. Create sustainable access to fresh food e.g. community fridges

Graham also went onto say that those that did not quite get enough votes but still had relevance to the community will be presented to the Community Council for action. Tillydrone set up but still to get confirmation from Woodside and Seaton.There was some discussion around the results with the following being discussed.1. Perhaps more times across the Locality, to increase respondents.
2. People might have voted for what they want to support rather than those of importance.
3. Perhaps we should support what already exists (film clip)
4. Dynamics have changed since the original ideas were put forward.
5. Place based work might be an option.

There was also discussion around why the three localities are put into one LP? Why was this? And could they be separated out?Discussion on the LOIP and how it can box folk in, now a disconnect between it and what is on the ground.Is there other work to be done with Community Ideas / LOIP?DM – SHMU are developing community website, which is being tested in Woodside and will contain small clips of the projects and activities in the area.Jade Leyden – Community Development ManagerJLeyden@aberdeencity.gov.ukSince COVID there has been a refresh of the LP, this was carried out during lock down restrictions, arguably this may have had an impact on the refresh.PT previously attended PNP with CLD as support. PT no longer has remit for PNP’s. JL is now in Community Planning with half of the team, CDO in each locality with a DW supporting across the team. HSCP make up the Integrated Community Planning Team, Chris is contact for the Central and managed by Ian Robertson. LEGs not operational but moving towards being set up.JL is going to try and attend all the PNP’s. Discussion on rationalisation of the Community Ideas within the LOIP. EG Community Pantry / food provision there is a long list, and we are trying to rationalise so that the plan is more streamlined, accessible and understandable to a wider audience.Where do Community Councils sit? PNP are the meeting that has been created to help develop and deliver on the LP for the area. CC address community issues that sit in their remit but equally could sit in the PNP. CC has statutory obligations.How do we increase community involvement in PNP, we are meant to be 50/50 (btw partners and community), currently about 25 / 75% weighted for partners. Action planning the group and how we can recruit. JL / IR are going to take this forward. |  |  |
| **6** | **Community Issues** | No issues were raised at the meeting as time was running out. Should anyone in between meetings have issues they wish to raise please contact GD. |  |  |
| **7** | **Project Updates** | No updates as yet.ML - Fersands has now a 12month License to occupy. Now that housing and CAP are out it allows them to use the space they have vacated. Longer term discussion as to split ACC and FS responsibilities.DM SHMU has had some cuts. All the projects and community groups came together to combine efforts to campaigning against cuts. It shows that everyone can act together – how to do this going forward.Other funds have been approved for SHMU over the next 3 years. | Any information to be sent to GD. |  |
| **8** | **AOCB** | None, although it would be useful if we had a couple of volunteers, community reps ideally to assist in setting the agenda and review draft minutes before distribution. | Contact GD if interested. |  |
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| **9** | **DONM** | 19th April @ 6.30pm at Tillydrone.It had previously been agreed that everyone is happy seeing each other email addresses therefore no blind copies. Should you wish a blind copy please let minute taker know. | GD to organise. |  |