



Date: 21.08.24

Meeting: Aberdeen Lads Club

MEETING NOTE

In Attendance	Apologies
Jade Leyden (Community Development Manager)	Brian Nelson
Jenna Bissette (Community Development Worker)	Charlene Kilpatrick
Graham Donald (Community Development Officer)	Mark Lovie
Abeer Eladany (Chair / Community rep)	
Jane Fullerton (Community rep)	
Dave Black (SHMU)	
Susan Morrison (ACVO)	
Chris Smillie (HSCP)	
Stuart Stevenson (Police Scotland)	
Angie Johnstone (ALC)	
Mark Pain (Sport Aberdeen)	

ACTION POINTS	ACTION LEAD
1. Welcome and Introductions	
2. Minutes of previous meeting Approval – Chris Smillie / Jane Fullerton Actions Matters Arising	

3. Aberdeen Lads Club

Angie gave a thorough tour for the group around the facilities at The Lads Club. The facility was Established in 1924 in the East End of the city, Aberdeen Lads Club is set to celebrate its centenary year next year. The organisation has also embarked on a rebranding project, which will see it embrace a new name and visual identity as it sets its sights on another successful 100 years supporting young people and children from some of Aberdeen's most deprived areas.

Services include –
Parent & Toddler
Early Years Nursery
After School Club
Junior & Senior Youth Clubs
Family Support
Holiday Clubs
Building Hire

News and events at
<http://www.aberdeenladsclub.org.uk/news-and-events>

4. ESOL

ACC Adult Learning provide ESOL classes in different community centres around the city. Most classes are in Rosemount but we do also have 2 classes at Tillydrone Community Campus and 1 class at Seaton Community Centre. Classes are free of charge to Aberdeen residents. We are looking to spread the word about the classes (flyers shared in the meeting). Assessments are by appointment only at Rosemount, but if there is enough demand we can look to run one off appointment sessions at other locations. Similarly, if there is enough demand we can set up classes in different locations.

With ESOL being part of the updated locality plan, we try to keep up to date with what services we can refer people onto and what support we can offer beyond the actual classes.

5. Sport Aberdeen

Sport Aberdeen are hosting a new cycling community led ride programme on Tuesday and Thursdays at Raymond Kelly Pavilion, Seaton.

Contacts for cycling would be as follows:

Led Rides & Learn to Ride (Adults, Families & children) – Laura Benson: LBenson@sportaberdeen.co.uk

Inclusive Cycling (all ages)– Fiona Smith: FSmith@sportaberdeen.co.uk

More info can be found here:
<https://www.sportaberdeen.co.uk/community-sport/aberdeen-cycling-opportunities>

6. Operation Protector

Graham has been in discussion with a number of partners in the locality regarding a perceived increase of substance use. This has resulted in a negotiation with the team that oversee Operation Protector to have the next one focus in the locality.

This will be two fold. The public facing part will mean a pod being located near the shops (possibly on the old Housing Office site) for at least one day. In attendance will be a range of officers representing a number of agencies who are available for anyone to engage with.

The second part is when team go and knock on doors trying to re-engage with known users who were previously with various services. Neither the pod or the door knocking is advertised publicly. The date for this will be week beginning the 30th October. Graham and Chris are looking to engage local organisations in doing something in the community running alongside Operation Protector.

EDIT; since the PNP meeting Graham has been informed, due to Police budgeting that Operation Protector has been moved to the 17th / 18th September. This is likely to impact on getting something additional in the community organised.

7. ACVO Calender Condensed newsletter/article in place now for each Priority Neighbourhood that will be sent out after the meeting to the appropriate mailing list at the time, this will cover all funding opportunities, events and information relevant to the group shared by Susan Morrison.	Rolling item to share newsletter & to ask for feedback on how valuable this is.
8. AOCB Locality Planning Promotion and Thematic idea Jade shared with the group the idea of having some thematic meetings of the PNP to try and get more people to participate, with the theory that people may engage more if they have an interest in a particular thing. Children and Young People Climate change action plans Rachel advised that NESCAN had worked with Aberdeen for a Fairer World and some schools within the central locality on some climate change action plans- perhaps there are crossovers- opportunity to action some of the crosscutting ideas and get some young people involved?	The group agreed to add this to the agenda of the next meeting for further discussion and planning. Rachel to share the plans and the group to look at these against the locality plan at the next meeting