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North-East Locality Community Planning Partnership

Thursday 18th May 2023

9.30 – 11:00am

Agenda

1. Apologies
2. Note of last meeting
3. Tracker
4. Warm and Welcoming – verbal update
5. Priorities – verbal updates from Leads
6. LIP Development
7. Edinburgh Partnership – update
8. Empowerment Team – update
9. AOB
10. DONM

North-East Locality Community Planning Partnership (NE LCPP)

20 January 2023 10:00 – 11:30

Microsoft Teams Minute

Members Present:

Councillor Danny Aston (City of Edinburgh Council), Sylvia Baikie (Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership - EHSCP), Kate Barrett (Edinburgh Voluntary Organisations' Council - EVOG), Councillor Kate Campbell (City of Edinburgh Council), Chief Inspector Kieran Dougal (Police Scotland), Councillor Katrina Faccenda (City of Edinburgh Council), Fiona Nicholson (Skills Development Scotland), Helena Richards (Voluntary Sector Forum – VSF), Philip Ritchie (City of Edinburgh Council), Douglas Tharby (NN representative and Chairperson), Stuart Tooley (University of Edinburgh), David Ward (Scottish Fire and Rescue Service)

Also Present:

Uta Cochrane (City of Edinburgh Council - presentation), Julie Dickson (City of Edinburgh Council – note), Andrew Field (City of Edinburgh Council), Michele Mulvaney (City of Edinburgh Council), Gordon Webster (City of Edinburgh Council – update)

Apologies:

Yvonne Kerr (NHS Lothian), Mike Kerracher (Voluntary Sector Forum – VSF), Angela Lindsay (Edinburgh Health and Social Care Partnership), Tristan Green (Voluntary Sector Forum – VSF)

1. Welcome and apologies

Apologies as above. Douglas welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made.

2. Note of last meeting

In relation to page 2 item 4 of the previous minute Andrew advised that he and Linda Lees are in discussions about the Young Persons Guarantee, there are a number of services interested in the funding. He and Linda will meet with these services and report back to the LCPP. The note of the previous meeting was proposed by Andrew and seconded by Kate Campbell.

3. Action Tracker

The action tracker will be updated as appropriate.

4. Warm and Welcoming Spaces – Uta Cochrane

Uta advised that there was a soft launch of the Warm and Welcoming Spaces initiative on 8 December 2022. She explained that the Council is working with a range of partners to ensure that buildings throughout the city are open and accessible to citizens. All (28) libraries are participating as well as community centres and places of worship. Venues and activities are being promoted on the [Council website](#) through an interactive map at a total of 85 locations so far. Uta reported that there are approximately 170 hits on the map per day. Partners have offered to come along to events to host information stalls. A summit meeting to discuss Warm and Welcoming spaces is being held on 23 January and this will look at planning ahead.

5. Priority Updates

Updates were provided from all priority lead officers.



Priority 1 – please see report

Philip had provided a full report for the papers (please see report). He reported that the current position in relation to the Young Person's Guarantee (YPG) funding is that it will come to an end in March. There had been an expectation that this would be required in the Covid-19 recovery but this need had not materialised. However, there has been a one-year extension of the current No One Left Behind hubs contracts agreed by the Housing, Homelessness and Fair Work Committee. Philip added that there is some residual YPG funding and a paper is being developed on what it is hoped to fund.

Kate Campbell reported that the LIP report does not allow for full scrutiny of the LIP priorities. She would like to see figures and year on year comparison. She suggested that outcomes and targets be included as well as areas of concern.

Philip advised that he would look at providing statistics for future reports. Michele added that members of the LCPP should feel that they have sufficient detail to provide a level of scrutiny and that she would be happy to work with Andrew to review the process. She explained the tracker gives a record for each quarter and this will inform the annual performance report.

Decision

- Philip will look at reporting statistics in future reports
- Michele and Andrew to review the priority reporting process for LCPPs

Priority 2 – please see report

Sylvia ran through the report, touching on the monthly digest, the Leith Network events, funding bid by Edinburgh Tool Library and the opening of a new Bothy and new pantry in the NE area. There is collaboration between a number of Partners to deliver Health Issues in the Community training.

Port of Leith have changed their name to 'Harbour' and have produced a 1 pager on to support people in finding warm places/ with the cost-of-living crisis. The Community asset transfer of the Victoria building has been successful, and the building now has permanent tenants. It will be fully functional by March.



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Sylvia reported that the Community Mental Health and Wellbeing fund is currently open, and allocations will be made by 25 March 2023.

She explained that there is no public health practitioner in NE at present, but the area is highly resourced by the Third sector.

Kate Barrett advised that as well as the Leith Network there are Networks in Craigmillar and Restalrig.

Kate Campbell reiterated that in terms of scrutiny more information is required from the quarterly reports. She commented that there is a lack of provision for drug and alcohol services within in Niddrie and Craigmillar and that people are expected to travel to Leith for these which involves taking 2 buses. Kate Barrett advised that the Bothy which has opened is a specific addiction resource centre. Sylvia said she would link in with Graeme Mollon the who manages mental health and substance misuse services. She added that the THRIVE Welcome Teams are to expand from 4 teams to 8 over a period of time. In relation to this Helena added that Turning Point were not able to work from the library post Covid. They are now in negotiations with the library to return part-time but progress is slow.

Priority 3 – please see report

Kieran advised that consultation with Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit re National Training is on-going and he will report back when he receives an update. A domestic abuse campaign is to be run in conjunction with Places for People in February. Kieran reported a reduction in domestic abuse incidents in North-East area compared to last year and over the past 5 years advising that Police Scotland continue to work with their partners to support victim/survivors and take a proactive approach through the disclosure scheme and other methods to prevent domestic abuse. It is a priority for officers to raise awareness of the support networks, reporting mechanisms and focus on bringing offenders to justice and robustly policing domestic abuse reporting.

Kieran reported in detail about Bonfire Night and the anti-social behaviour and measures around this (see report). He also reported on campaigns including –

Beat the Boredom – a campaign to reduce youth anti-social behaviour, inspire and encourage positive behaviour.



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Beat the Pressure – A fitness class for under 12s and parent/guardians. Encouraging speaking to police officers and breaking down barriers.

Cables Wynd Heart – targeted around Cables Wynd House to address drug misuse, anti-social behaviour by encouraging a sense of community. There have been drugs and cash seizures of £1.3million in this area.

Beat Hate – a partnership approach to breaking down barriers through community cooking and cookery workshops.

Kieran reported that he is lead for the Ukrainian resettlement. An emergency services day was arranged in partnership with other services with Police Scotland input around hate crime, equalities, and diversity.

A planning group has been established and funding application made for an out of hours youth worker as evidence shows that youth crime tends to happen over the weekend when there is no police youth provision.

Katrina thanked Kieran for his work and detailed report. She explained that the issue for people in Leith is knowing what Police Scotland are doing and that that they are aware of the issues in the area, especially around the Kirkgate area. It is important that people are reassured the police are working on it. Kieran advised that the work is promoted on social media and that there are Police Scotland teams out and about as well as regular stalls. However, he added that he would be happy to attend residents' meetings or take part in patrols with elected representatives if this would help.

Douglas extended his thanks to the authors of the reports.

Decision

- Kieran and Katrina to link in re Police Scotland activity

6. Locality Improvement Plan

Michele wanted to raise awareness that the performance report for the existing LIP needs to be compiled as well as developing the new LIPs. She will be working alongside Andrew on this, and it will involve a substantive amount of work over the next year. Work will be done with existing leads to ascertain whether there is still a need for the existing



priorities. It may be that the same model is used as is being used for the LOIP and delivery plan.

7. Edinburgh Partnership Update

Michele reported that the Edinburgh Partnership has agreed a new operating model. This will involve holding each quarterly meeting in a different locality. They won't be meetings in public but local organisations and groups will be invited along. Work is underway to develop the model. It is likely that the first meeting will take place in NE. In line with the LOIP there will be a focus on sustainability and poverty.

Danny asked about Neighbourhood Networks (NNs). He explained that when discussed previously they were operationally patchy across the city. He asked whether LCPPs have a role in stimulating them back into operation. Michele advised that this isn't the responsibility of the LCPP as there is no hierarchy. However, they have a representative role on the LCPP so it is advantageous to have them in operation. She added that Andrew would touch on this in his update.

8. Lifelong Learning Organisational Review Update

Andrew advised that the organisational review has now concluded, and the matching and assignment period commenced. The Empowerment and Engagement Team will have 9 staff including Andrew, Head of Empowerment and Engagement, 2xG9 managers – 1 with community centres responsibility and 1 with community planning responsibility which will include community grants funding, NNs and working with community councils in a developmental sense. These colleagues will be recruited during January and February while 6xG7 officers with a generic job description who will be recruited during February and March. The service will be launched at the beginning of the new financial year. The service will report to Culture and Communities Committee. In terms of next steps there will be –

- matching and assignment
- Andrew will meet with LCPP Chairs
- Andrew will meet with NN Chairs
- Andrew will meet with the EACC week commencing 23 January



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In response to Danny's question about NNs Andrew confirmed that NNs will have staff resource. He will provide a further update on staffing structure at the next LCPP.

Danny also enquired about Neighbourhood Environment Projects funding. Michele explained that this had now been changed to the Estate Investment Programme. The lead for this is George Norval. He could be asked to come to a future LCPP to present on the programme.

Kate Campbell asked if Andrew had met with community centre management committees and also what youth work would look like under the new service. Andrew advised that he intends to meet with management committees once his team is in place and explained that youth work will sit with the Wider Achievement Team within the Council.

Decision

- Andrew will meet with LCPP Chairs
- Andrew will meet with NN Chairs
- Andrew will meet with the EACC week commencing 23 January
- Andrew to update on staffing structure of Empowerment and Engagement service April LCPP
- George Norval to be invited to a future LCPP re Estate Investment Programme
- Andrew to meet with community centre management committees

9. Partner Updates

Douglas advised that it is Leith chooses voting fortnight from 16 – 29 January. There are 20 projects available to vote for both online or at voting hubs across the NE area.

David advised that there is a lot of good partnership work going on between SFRS and other agencies and he would look to report on this at future LCPPs.

Helena advised members to contact her for any updates.

Decision

- David and Kieran to link in offline re joint work to report on

10. AOB

Gordon advised that he works within the 20-minute neighbourhood team, part of the placemaking and mobility service. The team was brought together around a year ago to look at 20-minute neighbourhoods looking at how people could have access to a full range of facilities in their local realm, as well as sustainable transport. He explained that there will be online engagement around Portobello Town Centre in February and in March workshops will take place. Discussions are ongoing with Portobello Community Council. Gordon advised that he would be happy to give an update at the next LCPP and to include members in key issues over the coming months.

11. DONM

Number	Date	Topic	Action	Action Owner	Expected completion date	Actual completion date	Comments
1	30-Sep-19	Substitutes	Neighbourhood Networks to consider at their next session how they want to identify substitute	Douglas/ Geoff	05-Dec		NN to agree representation/ subs
2	27-Feb-20	Tracker	NN emailing question to be taken forward as a matter of priority	Evelyn	ASAP		To be picked up as part of refreshed NN discussions
3	27-Feb-20	LIP progress report	Further discussion around whether there is a way to capture whether a difference is being made to those experiencing poverty and inequality as a result of the LIPs.	All			Ongoing- Context of performance framework discussions
4	28-Jan	Thrive Project	LIF agreed to circulate to the group results of an evaluation on initial conversations and progress.	LIF			Julie emailed 21/10
5	05-May-21	LIP (priority 1)	Susie to provide breakdown of numbers of people supported within the locality	PR			Susie will circ Oct/Nov
6	19/08/2021	LIP (priority 3)	Invite a local partnership police officer to a future meeting to provide a local context	KD			
7	26/04/2022	Introduction from Andrew Field, Head of Empowerment (CEC)	Invited Andrew to attend future voluntary sector forum meetings across the city which Andrew accepted. Kate to forward invite to Andrew.				In progress

8	20/10/2022	LIP Update 1	Andrew to link in with colleagues in Children and Education and also with Elin Williamson to gather information on the Young Person's Guarantee		For next meeting		
9	20/01/2023	Priority Updates	Philip will look at reporting statistics in future reports				
10	20/01/2023	Priority Updates	Michele and Andrew to review the priority reporting process for LCPPs				
11	20/01/2023	Priority Updates	Kieran and Katrina to link in re Police Scotland activity				
12	20/01/2023	LLL Organisational Review update	Andrew will meet with LCPP Chairs				
13	20/01/2023	LLL Organisational Review update	Andrew will meet with NN Chairs				
14	20/01/2023	LLL Organisational Review update	Andrew will meet with the EACC week commencing 23 January				
15	20/01/2023	LLL Organisational Review update	Andrew to update on staffing structure of Empowerment and Engagement service April LCPP				
16	20/01/2023	LLL Organisational Review update	George Norval to be invited to a future LCPP re Estate Investment Programme				

17	20/01/2023	LLL Organisational Review update	Andrew to meet with community centre management committees				
18	20/01/2023	Partner updates	David and Kieran to link in offline re joint work to report on				



NE LCPP Quarterly Progress Report

Date of LCPP group for consideration: 18 May 2023

Lead officer: Philip Ritchie

Priority theme: Theme 1 – Targeted support and early intervention for young people and their families

Actions completed in the last quarter (since the last progress report)

As requested at the previous meeting, this report gives data and narrative-informed updates on current progress toward improving participation for young people and early interventions that support their families.

Unfortunately, due to the timescales involved to submit this LCPP report, there has not currently been a recent update of statistical information available in the public domain to present.

National Statistics

However, the Scottish Government have released encouraging figures for school leaver destinations 2021/22. These national figures show that 95.7% of leavers were in an initial positive destination compared to 95.5% in 2020/21. This is the highest positive destination rate since consistent records began in 2009/10.

- Between 2020/21 and 2021/22 the positive destination rate for those living in the most deprived areas rose by more than the rate in the least deprived areas. This has led to a decrease in the deprivation gap to 4.4 pp, the smallest gap on record.
- Nationally the percentage of leavers in employment increased from 22.6% in 2020/21 to 25.1% in 2021/22. This increase brings the proportion of school leavers entering employment to the highest rate since consistent records began in 2009/10.
- The percentage of leavers that were unemployed and seeking decreased from 2.5%, in 2020/21, to 2.3%, in 2021/22. This is the lowest since consistent records began in 2009/10.
- The percentage of leavers in Higher Education was 41.2% compared to 45.1% last year. This reduction brings the percentage in line with previous years after sharp increases in 2019/20 and 2020/21.

Edinburgh Statistics

These positive results do also extend to Edinburgh City, with the number of school leavers going onto study, find a job or enter training has increased from last year and exceeded the national average of 95.7% according to the new figures in the School Leaver Destination Report. In total 96.1% of the school leaver population in Edinburgh entered positive destinations, up from 95.1% in the previous year and the gap between students from the most and least deprived areas in a positive destination narrowed to 3.2 percentage points (pp) (94.71% to 97.88%) compared to 5.1 pp (91.72 and 96.85) the previous year.

Further information about the results can be found on the [Scottish Government website](#).



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North East Statistics

SDS no longer publish school leaver data beyond local authority level. The Interim Participation Snapshot however for 16 – 19 year olds in the NE demonstrates that within the 85% + participation ranges, there is a number of wards in this locality with increased participation between May 2022 and December 2022. This is due to an improvement in 3 wards now with increased participation from the previous lower level (80-85%) of participation recorded in May 2022. There are no wards in the lowest participation range between May 2022 and December 2022, NE is the only Edinburgh locality to consistently perform above 80% participation during this period

Claimant Count

The latest claimant count figures released by NOMIS (February 2023) for Edinburgh was 8,635. Of these:

- 1,175 were 16-24 year olds. It was 1,180 in January 2023.
- 5,510 were 25-49 year olds. It was 5,365 in January 2023.
- 1,950 were 50 or older. It was 1,960 in January 2023.

The overall claimant count in Edinburgh has come down slightly from the last reported figures but is 21.5% higher than it was in February 2020. In January 2023 there were 13,509 working individuals claiming Universal Credit in Edinburgh. In December it was 13,922. Whilst this gives us an overall figure of those claiming Universal Credit in the city, it should be noted that it doesn't demonstrate the wider landscape of participation for young people as many young people won't claim Universal Credit for some time after leaving education.

Milestones/Successes expected to be achieved in the next quarter

There continues to be a steady flow of referrals for No One Left Behind as summer leavers approach their official school leave date and schools seek to place them in a supportive destination. Most of the referrals for the NE are placed at the Activity agreement hubs Barnardo's or the Citadel youth centre. The Citadel has had a period of staff change but I'm pleased to say two new staff are now in post.

As part of the drive for improved partnerships, the No One Left Behind team are specifically looking to build/strengthen local partnerships and share these service offers with local NOLB AA hubs and with 16+ school meetings. This will improve the quality of input that NOLB AA Advisors have whilst broadening the horizons of offers available to support our 'high risk' young people.

There has been an agreed contract extension of AA hubs for the next year, and an initial consultation with current AA providers to review good practice/areas for consideration as we look towards NOLB phase 3 in 2024

No One Left Behind are to hold a staff 'Hub Day'. The hub day will have a number of focus points that aim to improve the general support network between staff, consistency and quality of delivery across the city for all supported clients.

- information sharing from a wider strategic perspective in order to keep ground staff in the loop regarding the future of NOLB AA Hubs.
- There have been a number of staff changes across the NOLB Hubs. The hub day will be a good opportunity for the central referral team and Hub support staff to meet face to face



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and discuss current issues, the facilitation of break out groups to have a deeper dive into current challenges that we are facing and share the best practice that has been initiated as a result or to flag new programmes that could support our work.

- There has been a good bit of work going on around the Helix management information database that should help reduce paperwork and duplication. Therefore, there will be a reminder session of key basic protocols to get consistency across the service and flag future developments and training for staff.

Staff have been taking part in Trauma Informed Training this month as part of the corporate parenting strategy. This will not only help our front facing staff support those that have been affected by trauma but also conscious awareness of their own colleagues and those in partner agencies.

Edinburgh Guarantee / NOLB was represented at the recent DYW roads show careers event. It was good to see familiar faces from the 16+ meeting accompanying groups of young people from their school /hub. Lots of good conversations took place around work / apprenticeships as a pathway option from school. Project Search was also represented on the EG stand as the deadline for the next intake was 21st April. There has been a concerted effort between council staff and third-party organisations to point suitable candidates in this direction. Project Search recruitment days will take place on the 16th, 17th and 18th May.

Barriers/challenges (physical, partnership, financial etc)

One of the emerging challenges going forward will be how to best support Ukrainian refugees of school leaving age across the locality. Three Ukrainian young people have started an Activity Agreement at the Citadel being supported by the newly appointed Ukrainian development worker. However, I'm sure this will increase and ensuring positive destination and appropriate employability services may be a challenge. Recently Barnardo's have secured some funding to support the cohort of young people from Dnipro.

Some schools in the locality have a significant number of winter leavers who are already disengaged from school. Though the responsibility lies with schools to provide a package of activity to try and support these young people and 16+ partners can help identify specific youth / employability services options for this cohort are limited until NOLB and wider NEST services kick in closer to their leaving date.

Wider factors/influencers (i.e. legislative changes)

The Scottish Government budget announcement in December 2022, confirmed the ending of all Young Person's Guarantee funding nationally. In Edinburgh 17 projects had been funded through Young Person's Guarantee funding.

It was established that, overall, the YPG Grants programme has supported 343 young people in 2022/23 and made substantial impact, especially within two of the priority areas set out in the initial funding specification:

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17% of the overall new engagements are from BAME background and 35% of the overall engagements are residing in SIMD 1 and 2 areas of Edinburgh.

However, the engagement was lower than expected across the majority of the projects. This was understood to be due to two main reasons:

The rise in complex mental health conditions of young people (mainly caused by the pandemic) meant many were unable to engage in this level of activity and the volume of suitable employability support already available in Edinburgh through the comprehensive Strategic Skills Pipeline (SSP) has led to unbalanced demand and supply.

While it is reassuring that there is already a strong offering of support in place, the Youth Employability Partnership (YEP) concluded that there are areas where the current SSP does not currently sufficiently support young people:

- Those facing homelessness and/or are care-experienced
- Sector specific training and qualifications
- Access and sustain places at college

4 of the previously funded YPG projects (Cyrenians, Four square, Impact Arts and RUTS) have focussed delivery within these areas, and the YEP therefore, considers that there is evidence-based demand for these projects to be continued for a further year. In addition to this a further £75k has been invested in the Vocational Training Framework (VTF) for youth spaces in sector specific training and qualifications.

Parental Employability Support (PES) funding is provided by the Scottish Government under the Tackling Child Poverty strategy and is intended to complement the No One Left Behind strategy (NOLB) by specifically delivering services to support parents into, and to progress in, employment.

- The client groups who are eligible to benefit from PES are:
- Lone Parents who are unemployed or experiencing in work poverty
- Parents with a disability or families who are unemployed or experiencing in work poverty and have a disabled child.
- Parents who are unemployed or experiencing in work poverty and have 3 or more children
- Parents from a minority ethnic background who are unemployed or experiencing in work poverty
- Parents who are unemployed or experiencing in work poverty and have a youngest child under 1yrs and parents who are aged under 25yrs who are unemployed or experiencing in work poverty.

There will be a team of specialist key workers to offer a citywide service to support parents across the city, similar to the model utilised for young people through Activity Agreements.

Part of this allocation of funds will also go to each of the 5 NOLB Activity Agreement hubs to recruit key workers that will further support their referred clients. This will be beneficial for staff to manage and break down barriers by adopting a more holistic approach to the clients family situation that they otherwise wouldn't not have been able to do in such depth.



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Case study examples – please complete for any examples of success/good practice that has been achieved to date under this priority

Case Study 1:

K is an 18 year old young person who is currently sofa surfing due to a family breakdown. He struggles with anxiety, memory, and confidence and describes himself as having sticky keys, or a full memory, or blank page syndrome.

K was initially engaging with the Rock Trust and was referred to the Living Life to the Full course that Access To Industry was facilitating. K has continued to engage after the course had completed.

K attended the 8 week course and after completing assessment began weekly 1:1 working with his caseworker. They have focused on increasing confidence and building routine and resilience. K has also worked towards 2 qualifications, Working with Other and Improving Wellbeing.

K is also attending session in the Cowgate office to study for his Driving Theory test. He states that he has “learned how to show up for myself and others, in small and big ways, as well as bring a new scope of opportunities in-sight and allow myself to enjoy more of the time in between the tasks and jobs I must complete for making career/personal developments; which is what I desire.”

K is looking forward to joining another wellbeing course as he really enjoyed being part of something. His more immediate hopes for the future are more ability to earn, create income in terms of my relationships and decision for self.

“I feel that the more things change, the more things stay the same, in a good way. I can better proceed with goals and directions because I am in contact with good and supportive people (such as my caseworker) who organise, show up to interact with those who need such support, and organisation. This example of re-engaging with myself through direct interaction shows that I can adapt to different avenues of time and energy to progress. I feel confident of this fact more now than ever.”

Case Study 2:

C is a 16-year-old living in one of the 10% most deprived areas (SIMD), and left school before summer. He didn't hate school and was good at attending, but he knew the classroom environment wasn't for him and was losing his motivation for classes. He was finding it increasingly difficult to convince himself to go in and felt like this lack of motivation for school was starting to impact his future. He came to Barnardo's wanting some guidance and support for thinking about his future and help with getting this motivation back.

He felt that he didn't always get the support he needed at school and left without knowing what he wanted to move into but wanted to find something to work toward and he wanted to get on in life and be successful.



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He was referred from SDS once he had finished school to Barnardo's Stride2Work course in September.

C feels that his confidence has grown because of the support and guidance that was provided during his time with Barnardo's.

C was struggling to narrow down a career path when we did career research, he was open to trying a few things out that could help him refine his search. When placement started, we paired C up with the British Heart Foundation Furniture and electricals store in Dalry. They were able to offer him insight into a few different careers so he could see which one suited him most. These included warehousing, customer service, and different aspects of retail on the shop floor. C stayed at this placement for just over a week and then moved on to his next placement at the Oxfams neighbourhood centre – here he did gardening, helped them with their foodbank and community work, and assisted with events they were running.

He feels that this variety of work experience helped him get a better understanding of his interests and decided that he liked dealing with people more than anything. From this knowledge, we referred him to the Edinburgh Leisure vocational training course with Direct Partners – it was through this training that C was given the opportunity to interview. After doing interview prep and practice with us, he felt confident heading into the interview and has since been offered a job in one of their leisure centres.

C was offered paid employment by Edinburgh Leisure. He is on the shift pattern which guarantees short term work. C loves his job and the independence working has been able to offer him.

For LCPP delivery group to complete

Date considered:

Is the priority on track? Y/N

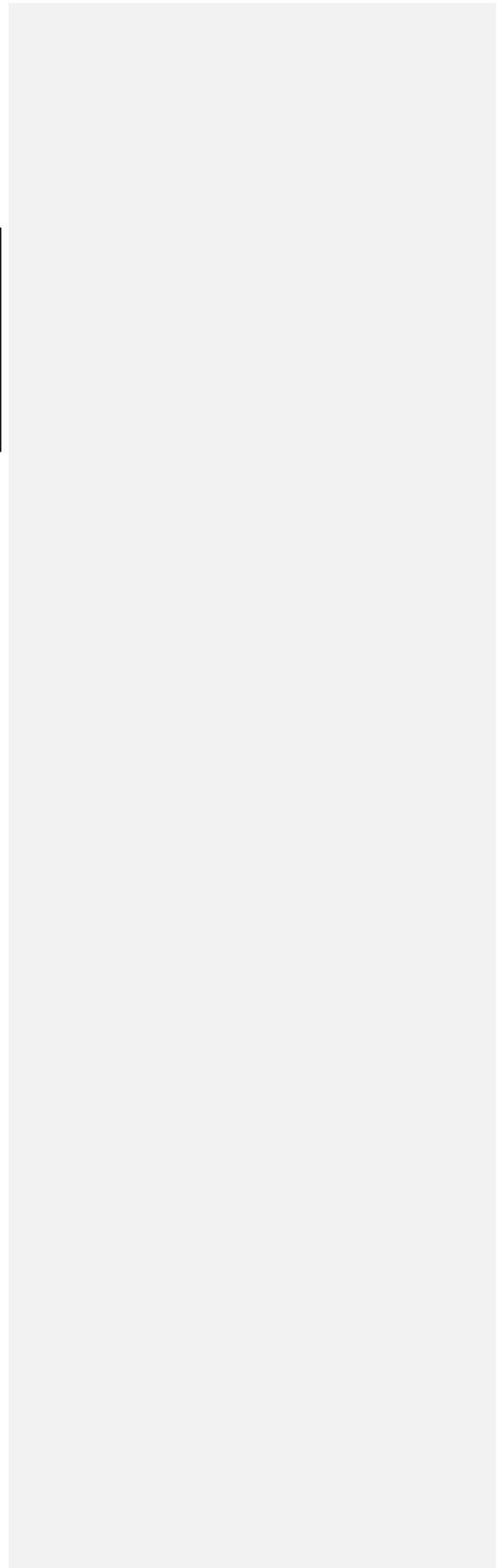
Any decisions to be taken? (i.e. change of actions, escalation)

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Feedback to lead officer (if any)



LIP quarterly progress report

Date of LCPP group for consideration: May 2023

Lead officer: Angela Lindsay (Lauren Browne-Islam PHP)

Priority theme: Health and Wellbeing

Actions completed in the last quarter (since the last progress report)

NE Digest:

Emails with relevant information have been disseminated

Survey was sent out to members at end of April (with a reminder at the start of May) to help determine future role of network.

Responses to be collated and analysed by mid-May.

COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES

HARBOUR CONNECTIONS

Take A Break Event:

The Placemaking Team has been busy delivering a range of community development projects over the last number of months. The 'Take A Break' event, held on March 16th was particularly successful and demonstrates the collaborative nature of the work the team undertakes. It also underlines, in a practical way, how Harbour fulfils its role as a community anchor organisation. Funded through the City of Edinburgh Council's 'Coorie In' funding, the free event promoted wellbeing, financial support and access to a wide range of third sector organisations offering support. Importantly the event provided food and a warm space for members of the community to engage and interact in a dignified manner. The main focus of the event was wellbeing and was specifically designed to include harder to reach individuals including older men, adults with disabilities, families with young children and carers. A number of community organisations partnered with Harbour to make the event a success. These included Kin Collective which provided workshops about family self-care, All Together Edinburgh which offered free books, Grow2Eat which provided planting and growing advice as well as free plants and Edinburgh Tool Library which delivered woodwork taster classes.

Over 60 members of the community attended the event with feedback from both participants and contributors being overwhelmingly positive. The most common request was for more events such as this to be organised.

Health Issues in the Community (HIIC):

HIIC is a training course which enables participants to develop their understanding of the range of factors affecting their health and the health of their communities and to explore how these factors can be addressed using community development approaches. The core underpinning theme of HIIC is community development. Although this term can be used to describe many different types of activity, the particular perspective that is taken here

places value on supporting individuals to work collectively; on extending participatory democracy; and on social justice and equity. The course draws on a social model of health which views health and illness as having as much to do with economic and social factors as with individual behaviour. It seeks to promote the value of equity in terms of equal access to health and to counter discrimination. The course supports people to participate in decision-making processes and to take a more active role in the planning and delivery of services.

Funded through Edinburgh PACT, Harbour Connections facilitated a series of HIIC courses from January to March 2023. These courses supported 14 professionals and members of the community to better understand the social model of health, barriers to good health and choices, poverty, power and participation in civic life. One attendee wrote: "I found the course very helpful, and it has inspired me to learn more about community development. I think this should be made available to everyone working within the community". These participants still meet regularly of their own accord.

Community Meals:

They received funding through the Lottery for a Coordinator to run community meals (along with cooking and exercise classes) at Leith Community Centre for 15 weeks. They have some discretionary funding available which can be flexibly used to help people who come to the community meals.

Leith Network:

The two coordinators Anita and Emmanuel have left Harbour, so now John Murray is leading the network and chairing the regular meetings. Workshops were held and a survey was sent out to members to determine the future of the network.

The next meeting is planned for 19 June.

The agenda includes reviewing the feedback about the future of the network and Lauren Browne-Islam facilitating a discussion to hear members' thoughts on how the public sector could better support active, organically formed community networks such as this one.

The Recovery Bothy:

This community-led initiative focused on supporting people in recovery has been making great use of the space at 92 Niddrie Mains Road, with varied activities and support groups on during the week (provided by Let the People Sing, Scottish Recovery Coaching, Turning Point Scotland, Alcoholics Anonymous, Edinburgh Community Yoga, VOCAL and Connecting Craigmillar).

A short film of the launch event held in January can be watched here: <https://youtu.be/GRodHi8lxXU>.

For more details about what is happening and/or to hire the room (which can fit 15-20 people, there is also a kitchen area and toilet), you can contact the Recovery Bothy Co-ordinator at Lisa.macmillan@yahoo.com.

Connecting Craigmillar:

In addition to supporting the Bothy alongside the Thistle, they have also been working with the new **Trade Unions in Communities Advice Centre** (by the Lidl), who are offering free employment, benefits and housing advice and support. It is open Monday to Friday 10am to 4pm at the new 'Walk-Up Avenue'.

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All spaces for long term use are now occupied. The top floor is home to a potter, tailor and apprentice and an artist who will be having her own private area and in addition running classes plus mentoring artists wanting to share a space. The second floor is home to the History of Education Victorian school room and Victorian home life area.

They are in the process of developing a collaborative bid to the Heritage Lottery Fund with a focus on the educational heritage across the Area of Benefit, working with all 4 Primary schools and Trinity Academy. The aim is to use this focus to engage with both long established and newer communities in the area, sharing stories, voices etc in a range of creative ways. Tortoise in a Nutshell who is to be a partner in this project is moving in on this floor later in May as are Vintage Vibes who they plan to work with as well. The other main partner will be Pilmeny Development Project.

They secured funding from the Edinburgh Mental Health and Wellbeing Fund to develop a community teaching kitchen on the ground floor. They have appointed a Development Worker for the Dementia Meeting Place, which they aim to open 1 day a week from September.

The pop up play cafe sessions were hugely welcomed, and they have included a request for funding for a regular weekly session in their application to the Social Isolation and Loneliness Fund.

Milestones expected to be achieved in the next quarter

- Results from the NE Digest survey
- Results from the CMHW Fund decisions
- North Edinburgh networking event to be held on 22 June at the Botanics in partnership with EHSCP (3 Conversations Practice Lead), EVOC, ELGT and others

Barriers/challenges (physical, partnership, financial etc)

- PHP is only working remotely and very part-time
- Staff shortages in services and difficulty recruiting
- Cost of living crisis on individuals and service providers
- NHS pressure and crisis

Wider factors/influencers (i.e. legislative changes)

The economic and health impacts of the pandemic and associated restrictions, as well as the cost of living and energy industry crises, are likely to continue to widen health inequalities, so we are working in a much more difficult context than before the pandemic, while facing increased demand on public services and strained finances.

Case study examples – please complete for any examples of success/good practice that has been achieved to date under this priority

For LCPP delivery group to complete

Date considered:

Is the priority on track? Y/N

Any decisions to be taken? (i.e. change of actions, escalation)

Feedback to lead officer (if any)

LIP exception report

Date considered at LCPP group:

Date of Edinburgh Partnership Board:

Priority theme:

Lead officer:

Summary of actions completed to date

Reason for escalation:

Action required from LCPP:

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Actions completed in the last quarter (since the last progress report)

Deliver Domestic Abuse Training – Consultation with Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit re National Training for Private Sector. Awaiting update and will report back once received.

Tackling Anti-social Behaviour - NE Anti-Social Behaviour Working Action Group - CEC housing officers and FAHST, RSL's, local CPT, LPO's. The group continues to meet on a monthly basis to discuss joint priority actions and share ideas on how to tackle ASB in the NE area and how to deter offenders from this type of behaviour.

Bonfire Night 2022 – Ongoing Investigations

Since Bonfire weekend (November 2022) a dedicated team of officers have been investigating the events; sifting through hours of CCTV footage, seizing phones used to record the events and speaking to local residents/witnesses in an effort to identify those responsible.

A report was sent to the Procurator Fiscal (PF) in regards to a number of named individuals and we are awaiting direction.

Hay ASB

Following on from the Bonfire period we were alerted by partners to ongoing Anti-Social behaviour within the Hays area of Craigmillar.

Despite reports of criminality/ASB to police being low in the area we ran a campaign which involved:

- officers patrolling and speaking to the local community
- business check ins
- actions to tackle proxy purchasing or underage alcohol sales such as spray painting the legislation, leaflets and posters
- we ran drop ins with Places for People in the area
- we had a command vehicle and advertised police engagement events in the area
- Road safety checks resulting in a couple of vehicle seizures for RTA offences, tracing a stolen vehicle and multiple offences being detected
- Plain clothes patrols resulting in the stop and arrest of an individual in possession of illegal substances
- we have also executed a number warrants for a variety of investigations in the wider Hays and Niddrie area. This activity has resulted in the recovery of illegal substances and cash.

All enquiries and results continue to be circulated via social media platforms.

Day of action held in partnership with Places for people. Inputs arranged around personal safety from Preventions, Interventions and Partnerships department, Domestic Abuse from Domestic Abuse Investigation Unit- how to recognise DA, support mechanisms, actions to take and an overview of the Police role and partnership work alongside a drugs talk from the County Lines Team.

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Operation Elate

Operation Elate continues to improve the area around Cables Wynd House area in Leith which is known for ASB, drugs and deprivation. Work continues with CEC, YMCA, Citadel and local residents to create a community hub to improve community spirit and amenities. Ongoing engagement involves workshops around employability and mental health, access to youth leaders and mentors, how to budget and housekeeping.

We continue to target crime in the area executing search warrants utilising specialist resources such as dogs, search units and public order teams to send a strong message that organised crime offences will not be tolerated.

Beat the Pressure

Inspiring younger children to think big, be positive, get educated, use negative pressure for good, be creative, and change the cycle of behaviour and learned behaviour for a positive future.

To motivate and inspire young children to be curious, encourage playful exploration, challenge their brains, and provide incentives when necessary. This can be achieved by role models encouraging them, putting them in insightful situations such as sport and musical events and exploring nature, let them make their own choices and understand the impacts of these choices, increase their confidence and social skills.

Fancy dress fitness with the Feds is a fun fitness class for under 12 year olds. They will be asked to dress as fun as they can and they will be joined by Community officers in the fun fitness class directed by a trained instructor.

Parents and guardians will be encouraged to come along and either take part or take the time to speak to a police officer or youth worker/partner to discuss any issues they may need assistance with. There will also be food provided for everyone and a food bag accessible to all.

Beat Hate

Beat Hate community meals were set up at Restilrig Community Hub once a week. The initiative was to keep food as the anchor to understand and tackle hate crime by engaging with identified members from our diverse community. We brought together individuals / families at an identified location to showcase community cooking over a series of classes, conduct cookery workshops to try new food experiences with members of the community they otherwise would not have met. It was a success due to the partnership approach. It built bridges for police and the harder to reach communities, and also created a forum to discuss other concerns such as cyber and doorstep crime and identified a lack of knowledge of how and when to call police. This has since been addressed by education and easy to follow guidance sheets in the relevant language.

Beat the Cycle

This initiative, in partnership with Places for People, has been introduced in the wider Leith area and aims to educate, open the horizons and support the people who have been struggling with addiction, poverty, mental health, loneliness, motivation to seek education or employment or simply teenagers who are not sure what path they want to choose in life etc.

Drop in sessions have been held over a 5 week period covering the following topics.

Talks on confidence, pathways and inspiration
What are you entitled to?

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Wellbeing for children and young people (Mental Health, nutrition and exercise)
Wellbeing for adults (Mental Health, nutrition and exercise)
Employability & confidence
Cooking class, how to feed a family on a budget, where are local food banks, how to grow own vegetables.
Education for older teens and adults
Silent disco & fitness session.

Milestones expected to be achieved in the next quarter

Deliver Domestic Abuse Training - Continued liaison with partners in CEC to identify suitable platform/timescale for delivery/Roll out of Domestic Abuse training within CEC

Tackling Anti-social Behaviour -

We will continue to work in partnership to tackle the causes of ASB throughout the North East through education and enforcement.

Beat the Burnout

Beat the burnout is focusing on exercise classes for those struggling with poverty who would not normally have access to such services. Healthy snacks, bottled water and Beat hunger recipe book will be provided at each event.

Background;

In 2018-2019 a survey was complete by The Active Lives Children and Young People Survey which revealed that 2 in 5 children (42%) from low income families do the recommended 60 minutes exercise a day. This rises for children in better off homes. In the same survey it was also found that almost 29% of children were doing less than 30 minutes of exercise in and outside school overall.

Our aims are;

- To expose the families to working together, bonding, resilience, leading by example, enhance their emotional wellbeing and mental capacity, nutrition advice and positive and encouraging communication
- To build relationships between families, Police officers, third sector, and wider partners
- Change a cycle of behaviour for a more positive future for families living in poverty
- Promote the benefits of exercise and provide tips of home workouts that cost nothing

Our sessions to date have proved a great success and we are looking forward to hosting more as we go towards the summer period.

Tackling Hate Crime –

Beat Hate

We are currently planning the next phase of this campaign inviting all kinds of vulnerable members of the community from the elderly, the youth in poverty, LGBTQIA, and other nationalities. We plan on including themed events such as financial assistance, housing issues, employability, mental health and other supportive measures for participants to benefit from.

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Barriers/challenges (physical, partnership, financial etc)

Deliver Domestic Abuse Training – PsoS Domestic Abuse training remains awaiting sign off at National Level.

Tackling ASB – Continued involvement of partners

Tackling hate Crime – The Challenge of engaging with smaller local groups/communities remains, however with the publicised success of the Beat hate campaign it is hoped this will diminish.

Wider factors/influencers (i.e. legislative changes)

None identified

Case study examples – please complete for any examples of success/good practice that has been achieved to date under this priority

Operation Elate

Beat the cycle

Beat the Burnout

(All described in previous text)

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