

Galashiels Learning Community Partnership Annual Progress Report June 2018-May 2019

Priorities for the Partnership for 2018-2019	Early intervention and universal approaches to emotional wellbeing
	Drugs and alcohol across the community
	Employability for people aged 50+
	Support for young people to sustain positive destinations and transitions
Action plans that will be taken forward in 2018-2019	Early intervention and universal approaches to emotional wellbeing
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. ALISS: Partners will renew the roll-out and use of ALISS. 2. Parent Voice: CLDS will develop a Parent Voice group and work with key partners to build shared understanding of its use and value to partner clients/learners. 3. Explore and develop 5 steps to kindness and Partnership-wide Kindness Charter: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Key partners will generate a training package to share with the whole partnership around becoming 'A Kindness Partnership'. b. Sub-group partners will generate a 'Chart of Kindness' for the whole partnership to adopt and roll-out during Yr.2. 4. Reduce social isolation through volunteering: to be further detailed at next sub-group (Autumn 2019 onwards)
	KEY PARTNERS: Scottish Borders Rape Crisis Centre; Community Learning & Development Service Adults & Families; Joint Health Improvement Team; LIVE Borders; Nature Unlimited; Volunteer Centre Borders; Healthy Living Network/Doing Well Advisors; Momentum; Wellbeing College; Gala Resource Centre; Alzheimer Scotland; Men's Shed; Health Visitor Team; Abbotsford Trust; Citizens Advice Bureau; Women's Aid; Borders Care Voice.
	Drugs and alcohol across the community
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Partnership will host a Scottish Families 'Power of Communities' ALEC (Adult Learning & Empowering Communities) event in conjunction with Alcohol and Drugs Partnership (ADP) and Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs (SFAAD). 2. Develop partnership understanding of referral routes and options for clients/learners. 3. Contribute to Alcohol in Public Places licensing local advisory. 4. Celebration event(s) for the recovery community as part of Recovery Walk celebrations.
KEY PARTNERS: AddAction (AA); Community Learning & Development Service Youth and Adults & Families; Councillor A. Anderson; Healthy Living Network/Doing Well Advisors; Volunteer Centre Borders; Department for Work and Pensions (Job Centre Plus); Youth Community Police Officer; SBC Justice Service; Police Scotland; Action for Children CHIMES; members of the community.	

	<p>Employability for people aged 50+</p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. “Next Steps” fair - Partners will plan an information event for participants who graduate from 50+ courses at Job Centre Plus. 2. Insight gathering about people aged 50+: number of people in volunteering and service engagement locally; identify common barriers. 3. Mapping: Partners will attend key local events to map current provision of ‘older adults’ events’ at Galashiels Interchange.
	<p>KEY PARTNERS: Borders College; Employment Support Service; Community Learning & Development Service Adult & Families; Department for Work and Pensions (Job Centre Plus); Momentum; Healthy Living Network/Doing Well Advisors; Citizens Advice Bureau; LIVE Borders; Volunteer Centre Borders; Men's Shed; Works+; Cognitive Variables; Alzheimer Scotland; Borders Care Voice.</p>
	<p>Support for young people to sustain positive destinations and transitions</p>
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Develop family support for transitions: Map best practice and develop Parent Voice and Youth Representation. 2. Involve young people through networking: Develop ‘reach’ strategy to work with young people not engaging in school and involve young people in a new partnership approach. 3. Helping young people to transition to adult life: Youth tracking pilot.
	<p>KEY PARTNERS: Police Scotland; Skills Development Scotland; Community Learning & Development Service Adult & Families; Employment Support Service; Volunteer Centre Borders; Schools; Momentum; Works+; Youth Justice Service; SSW for Throughcare and Aftercare Team; Nature Unlimited; Borders College - Head of Student Services; TD1; Abbotsford Trust; Cognitive Variables.</p>

PROGRESS REPORT				
No.	Project Title	KPIs	Progress update	Owner / Partners
EARLY INTERVENTION AND UNIVERSAL APPROACHES TO EMOTIONAL WELLBEING				
1	ALISS (A Local Information Service for Scotland)	2.7 Progression: Number of productive networks and relationships with other agencies 3.4 Progression: Number of joint training opportunities that improve partnership working	Partners aim to increase the number of local listings from 60 to approx. 120 over Year 2 (2019-'20). A briefing has been shared, for those already trained in how to add listings to ALISS. ALISS has been promoted to the partnership. JHIT is coordinating a joint training opportunity. Progression 2.7 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 key partners have added listings to ALISS: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ CLDS ○ LIVE Borders ○ Men's Shed ○ Wellbeing College ○ Early Years Centre 3.4 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A joint training opportunity planned for Autumn. 	Joint Health Improvement Team;
2	Parent Voice	2.6 Number of community groups which have active and influential roles in local and wider decision making 2.7 Progression: Number of productive networks and relationships with other agencies	A cross-partnership Parent Voice group has begun to be developed, aiming to raise up the voice of parents and families to levels of key local decision making. Progression 2.6 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 parents/members of the community have agreed to participate • 1 parent attended the Spring partnership meeting to share their lived experience • 2 parents and 1 member of the Alcoholics Anonymous community attended a drugs and alcohol sub-group meeting • 1 member of the parent community and 3 members of the recovery community participated in the drugs and alcohol steering group to co-design a community event • 6 members of the community parent support group within Langlee Primary School participated establishing partnership priorities. 	CAB; Women's Aid; SBRCC; Momentum; Men's Shed; Borders Care Voice; Health Visitors; Volunteer Centre Borders; members of the community.

			<p>2.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 5 partners will feed into Parent Voice: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ VCB ○ Men's Shed ○ Borders Care Voice ○ Health Visitors ○ SBRCC 	
3	Explore and develop 5 steps to kindness and Partnership-wide Kindness Charter	3.5 Progression: Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities	<p>15 partners reviewed current resources to explore best practice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Carnegie kindness strategy; ○ Health in Mind practice values; ○ Kins Charter <p>Agreeing to further review schools kindness packs and 'Kind School of the year' awards, aiming to complete the roll-out of our Partnership kindness charter by Year 3 (2021).</p> <p>Progression</p> <p>3.5</p> <p>Partners proposed merging actions 3 and 4 on '5 steps to kindness/kindness charter' to enable us to make room for new actions around promoting volunteering to reduce social isolation.</p>	Whole sub-group
4	Reduce social isolation through volunteering	<i>Planning to be developed at next sub-group meeting, post-summer 2019.</i>	<p>Successes from partnership working involving Langlee Primary School (LPS), CLD Service, Healthy Living Network and Early Years Centre: Achievement</p> <p>Parents within the social enterprise group evaluated the impact as building confidence and reducing social isolation.</p> <p>Progression</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8 parents within Langlee Primary School are volunteers running a social enterprise, they also attend a support and friendship group • 1 parent gained the confidence through attending the social/support group to gain employment as an ANA within the school • 2 parents moved on from 121 support sessions to volunteer with the aim to reduce social isolation – one through a Nature Unlimited 12-week employability programme 	Whole sub-group

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 parents attended further learning at Borders College on Childhood Development; one went on to gain volunteering experience within the Langlee nursery • 1 parent attended training to become a volunteer group Walk It Leader, with the Healthy Living Network. • 3 volunteers participated in the Healthy Living Network stall at the Langlee Primary School Fun Day in May 2019. • 1 volunteer participated in the Easter holiday programme community breakfast. • 3 parents volunteered to develop the LPS library. 	
DRUGS AND ALCOHOL ACROSS THE COMMUNITY				
1	Host a 'Power of Communities' event in conjunction with SFAAD and ADP	<p>2.6 Number of community groups which have active and influential roles in local and wider decision making</p> <p>2.7 Progression: Number of productive networks and relationships with other agencies</p> <p>3.4 Progression: Number of joint training opportunities that improve partnership working</p> <p>3.5 Progression: Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities</p>	<p>The sub-group sought guidance from the ADP and Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs (SFAAD) on taking a harm-reduction approach, and building local capacity for a resilient community approach to recovery.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A community event will be held on 8th October 2019 at the Focus Centre. All partners are invited to attend; this event will take the place of a partnership meeting. • Plans for a legacy include a 'Dry Fest' event in 2020 and to host the National Recovery Walk in Galashiels in 2021. • Partners attended a steering group meeting to plan the community event and will meet again over the summer. <p>Progression</p> <p>2.6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 members of the recovery community attended the sub-group • 4 members of the recovery community participated in the drugs and alcohol steering group to co-design a community event in partnership with SFAAD and ADP. <p>2.7</p> <p>Key partners met with John Holleran at sub-group to plan SFAAD input and Power of Communities event: 14/03/19</p>	Whole sub-group

			<p>3.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sub-group partners agreed to host a joint meeting with the Youth sub-group after summer to focus on awareness raising with young people and families. 	
2	Develop partnership understanding of referral routes	3.5 Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities	Partners will generate this as a tangible outcome from the October drugs and alcohol community event.	
3	Contribute to 'Alcohol in Public Places' licensing advice	<p>2.7 Progression: Number of productive networks and relationships with other agencies</p> <p>3.4 Progression: Number of joint training opportunities that improve partnership working</p>	<p>Key meetings have been held with Susan Elliot and Licensing Officers Ian Tunnah and Mike Wynne who then also provided a learning input at a partnership meeting on Bylaws.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Partners completed the Scottish Borders Council (SBC) consultation on drinking alcohol in public places Partners will make representation to the local licensing board with a focus on raising awareness of appropriate alcohol presence, specifically in relation to family/child-centred events. <p>Progression</p> <p>3.4</p> <p>Sub-group reviewed an example of a representation letter to licensing board and will review a policy statement after summer. They also met with ADP and Licensing Officers to gain knowledge and plan wider input to partnership, which was delivered to 27 partners in April.</p>	
4	Host celebration event(s) for the recovery community	3.5 Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities	<p>Information was shared with partners on Dry Bars at a sub-group meeting and by email, and Margaret Welsh submitted application to host 2021 Recovery Walk in Galashiels.</p> <p>Progression</p> <p>3.5</p> <p>Margaret Welsh of AddAction applied to host the National Recovery Walk in Galashiels in 2021.</p>	

EMPLOYABILITY FOR PEOPLE AGED 50+				
1	Host "Next Steps" Fair	<p>1.1.1 Participation: Number of participants in opportunities to improve employability and/or financial capability</p> <p>2.7 Progression: Number of productive networks and relationships with other agencies</p>	<p>4 key partners met as a steering group to take forward this particular action. They designed a plan that will see 50+ customer receiving a person-centred action plan and be invited to attend a customer forum, which will become a steering group to design the "Next Steps Fair".</p> <p>Additionally:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Volunteering will become an increasingly strong 'golden thread' and partners will use insight gathered from customer forum to plan learning offer at the event, including on growth mindset, change psychology, legislation wording and myth busting on volunteering sanctions within JCP. <p>Progression</p> <p>1.1.1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 50 learners from all 50+ courses (Catering4Life; 50+; Keys to Employment) from past year have been surveyed to gain insight into progression, engagement, support and barriers. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 13 surveys have been returned Further reminders are planned Aiming to achieve a 50% return rate ~ 25 returnees Initial feedback has been positive Gala JCP data reveals that 1 out of 11 in FT work; 10 out of 11 on UC – demonstrates potential cohort for steering group. <p>2.7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Within the sub-group 4 key partners have formed a steering group to lead on actions related to this outcome: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> JCP ESS Momentum Borders College 	Whole sub-group plus steering group: JCP, Momentum, Borders College, ESS
2	Insight gathering	3.2 Achievement: Number of CLD partners contributing quantitative data to LC partnerships annually	Partners agreed to continue to gather data more deeply and to ask a further challenge questions. Furthermore, that ongoing insight be built into progression tracking for JCP/50+ participants.	

			<p>Progression</p> <p>3.2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 131 partners were asked to submit data on the number of people aged 50+ who engage with their service Jan18-Jan19: 8 partners returned data • All partners were then asked a follow-up questions: 7 partners responded • 15 partners analysed the data. 	
3	Mapping	3.5 Progression: Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities	<p>Partners agreed to continue mapping key partners to improve the networking potential of sub-group.</p> <p>Progression</p> <p>3.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gordon Elliot (HLN) attended an 'older adults' event at Galashiels Interchange (14/03/19) and reported back to sub-group • Fiona Turnbull (Borders College) attended the Big Parents Evening (06/03/19) and reported back to partners. 	

SUPPORT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO SUSTAIN POSITIVE DESTINATIONS AND TRANSITIONS				
1	Develop family support for transitions	1.4.2 Participation: Number of parents/carers participating in family learning opportunities in targeted communities	<p>Parent Voice has begun to take shape with a number of parents signed up to participate (see above as per Emo Wb sub-group); the youth sub-group hopes to benefit from the input of parents and carers moving forward.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Hawick/Burnfoot p7 transitions trial will see parents offered opportunities to meet staff to build connections and establish communication channels. Group will consider this model. Action 3 will see engagement with parents of cohort. 	Whole sub-group
2	Involve young people through networking	<p>1.4.1 Participation: Number of partners providing opportunities for positive destinations for targeted young people</p> <p>1.4.5 Progression: Number of young people 16+ progressing to positive destinations</p> <p>3.5 Progression: Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 14 partners explored current local service provision, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> age range of young people length of intervention through/after-care provision. Partners will make the most of MSYP and Youth Voice. Key partners were invited to join: Jordan Croan, Who Cares? Scotland; Jen McHale, Developing Young Workforce; Guy Norris, Senior Social Worker for Through/Aftercare. No capacity to attend at present. Sara Ward has also been invited to participate for Developing Young Workforce. 2 partners offered to chair / support the chairing of the sub-group: Emma Fairley (Opps for All) and Douglas Ormiston (TD1), respectively. 	Whole sub-group
3	Helping young people to transition to adult life: Youth tracking pilot	<p>3.2 Achievement: Number of CLD partners contributing quantitative data to LC partnerships annually</p> <p>3.5 Progression: Realignment and pooling of resources to target agreed partnership priorities</p>	<p>Partners designed a 'youth tracking pilot' for approx. 10 at-risk s4 pupils plus a control group. This aims to build local knowledge of current youth transitions and what works well, generating key outcomes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> data to inform partners of learner need and aspirations evidence to inform curriculum decisions within school, e.g. use of SCQF levels; apprenticeships; training evaluative judgements for positively challenging fixed mindsets <p>Progression</p> <p>3.5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Key partners have agreed to attend a steering group meeting on June 28th, 10am-11.30am at TD1 to plan next steps. 	Lisa Catto (GA), Karen Turton (SDS), Norrie Tait (CLDS), Douglas Ormiston (TD1), Emma Fairley (OfA), Robyn Hutchens (One Step Borders), Mark Nolan (Momentum), Mark Timmins (Works+), Rayan Nolte (Youth Justice).

PARTNERSHIP WORKING			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ADP 		The partnership drugs and alcohol sub-group will work closely with The Alcohol and Drugs Partnership Coordinator Susan Elliot to gain awareness of a harm-reduction approach to tackling problematic substance use and will identify opportunities to make representation to licensing applications for use of alcohol in public places with a specific focus on reviewing family- and child-centred community events.
CAPACITY BUILDING			
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SFAAD 		The partnership will work with Scottish Families Affected by Alcohol and Drugs to host a community event on 8 th October 2019.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ALISS 		Partners will attend ALISS training sessions.