



Voluntary Action Shetland

Representation Newsletter August/September 2019

The Third Sector has been represented at the following meeting as per the [representation page](#) on the Voluntary Action Shetland website.

Developing the Young Workforce 21st August 2019

- Tommy Coutts updated the group on skill analysis and gaps. Various gaps identified, childcare, various building related careers. Spoke also about barriers to learning, apprenticeships and transport seems to be a big barrier.
- Membership of group discussed – it is a big group at the moment agreed that Service manager HR for the Council could attend.
- SDS host an employer’s event gives opportunities for employers and young people to speak.
- Update on employability pathways and difficulties in moving people on especially those with ASN.
- Action Plan updated
- Still waiting for a response from Transport on the issue of costs to apprentices for travel on ferries and buses.

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Health and Social Care Partnership – Strategic Planning Group 21st August 2019

- Direction Performance Report- this was discussed, some of the information is not correct or up to date – member of the group to contact author to rectify.
- Refreshing the Strategic Plan – this was a total rewrite last year and members felt that unless items had significantly changed it just needed a revisit not a complete rewrite.
- Review on Progress of Integration – update various key points identified
- Development Plan for Integration - The only comment made was in relation to trying to remove the ‘who will pay for this’ barrier by genuinely integrating finances.
- Process for Reviewing the Integration Scheme – how we contact our stakeholder and what we ask them.

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Protection in the Community

27th August 2019

- I am Me – 3rd party reporting for anyone with disability – further details will follow
- Keeping Adults and Children Safe training to be delivered in localities across Shetland. Dates to follow for next year.
- VAS working with sports hubs to check groups needing PVG checks
- VAS working to update all organisational contacts for PVG.

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Wellbeing Project – Informal meeting

3rd September 2019

- Continuing to raise awareness of project within teams of staff
- Had another Strategic Planning Meeting, there has been some drop of in attendance and some new attendees
- Looking to develop a Terms of Reference
- Looking to develop a newsletter – hoping to include a mentors case study
- Looking at how to progress the group by looking at specific bits of work
- The Trauma screening will be shown again at various times and locations between now and November

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IJB
5th September 2019

- IJB still looking like a £2.768M overspend which is split between NHS and SIC.
- Chief Officer to begin preparing business cases to SIC and NHS for additional funding.
- Problems re shortage of medicines with Brexit and report requested to next IJB meeting
- New money promised from Government not sure how this will effect Shetland.
- Performance review - questions included problems with getting nurses appointments in rural areas, they are aware of the gaps.
- Unpaid carers there are pressures on getting assessments completed, they will supply a timeframe to ensure this work is done.
- There is to be a review of the Health and Social Care Integration Scheme – they outlined a proposed project team – I have asked if Third Sector will be invited to contribute.
- Update on self-directed support carried out by Care Inspectorate an action plan on the back of the recommendations has been drafted.

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Airport User Group
18th September 2019

- CAA performance standards report – Very good. Written report not received yet
- A couple of pieces of feedback from passengers with restricted mobility, these have been acted upon where possible
- Hidden disabilities training with staff gone well and they are hoping to do more when the opportunity arises
- Put out new seating so people can sit whilst they are queuing
- Refurbishment in airport from Nov 19-July 20, this will mean things will change as to where they are, travel times will not be affected – publicity about this will be done nearer the time
- New space for sanctuary room has been identified and will be done as part of refurb
- Disabled parking will be changed July 2020 after refurb finished (as contractors will be using this car park in this time)

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