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Winner of "Life in Garioch"
Competition



Congratulations to the winner of a £50 voucher for a store of her choice, Angie Hawkins of Kintore, who is pictured here with her children, William and Katie receiving her prize from Jill Sowden, Garioch Community Planning Officer.

Throughout the summer the Garioch Local Community Planning Group asked residents what they thought about life in Garioch and what could be done to improve it. The results have helped inform the draft Garioch Local Community Plan. All completed questionnaires were put into a prize draw and Angie's was the first to be pulled out by Ian Fowell, Chair of the Garioch Local Community Planning Group.

westhill retirement fair

Sunday 7th March
12pm - 4pm
Westhill Holiday Inn

Have you recently retired or are you retiring in the forthcoming year?
Would you like to know what is available in your community to help you in your retirement?
Then this event is for YOU!!!

Come along to the Balmoral Suite, Westhill Holiday Inn on Sunday 7th March, 12pm-4pm and view the variety of information stands and presentations available on the day. These will include:

volunteering adult education classes healthy eating
befriending libraries life coaching/relaxation
grampian pre-retirement council caring for others
local community groups benefits agencies
social work housing community safety
SCARF (save cost & reduce fuel) leisure activities
cvsa local projects & initiatives

Have your say on the draft Garioch Local Community Plan Closing date for comments - 5th February 2010

There is still time for you to have your say on the draft Garioch Local Community Plan. The plan sets out the intentions for developments and projects within the area for the next four years with particular emphasis on 2010/11 and 2011/12.

It has been drawn up by the Garioch Community Planning Group and reflects ongoing contact and dialogue with local communities, community groups, organisations and individual.

You will see that all actions have a lead partner responsible for it and in many cases other

partners working towards that action are also listed. If there is an action that is of interest to you and you would like to become an "other partner" please let me know.

The plan is available to download from www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk

If you have any comments or would like further information please contact me as follows - Jill Sowden, Community Planning Officer, Gordon House, Blackhall Road, Inverurie AB51 3WA, e-mail jill.sowden@aberdeenshire.gov.uk or by phone on 10467 628338.

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The Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership website is a useful source of information about the work that is being taken forward to develop community planning in Aberdeenshire. The site offers local groups and the wider public the opportunity to get involved in community planning to make a real difference in the area where you live.

Home Page

On the home page you will find frequently updated news and events involving partnership working and community engagement in Aberdeenshire. There is an A-Z and an interactive map to help you navigate around the website.

Get Involved

This section truly provides you with an opportunity to get involved in community planning. For example, you can:

- ♦ have your say by taking part in consultations currently ongoing in Aberdeenshire, such as commenting on your draft local community plan
- ♦ voice your opinion on local services and influence decision makers by signing up to our citizens' panel.

Our Priorities

The priorities which the community planning partnership is taking forward can broadly be categorised into five areas of work.

- ♦ Community Wellbeing - to enhance the quality of everyday life across Aberdeenshire by improving health and social care, housing and community safety.
- ♦ Jobs and the Economy - to improve the economy of Aberdeenshire and the employment prospects of its people.

- ♦ Lifelong Learning - to develop and improve learning opportunities and build stronger communities in Aberdeenshire by improving knowledge and skills, developing confidence, promoting inclusion and empowering communities.

- ♦ Sustainable Environment - to achieve sustainability by reducing resource use, protecting our environment, combating climate change and enhancing biodiversity.

- ♦ Developing our Partnership - to work together to make our partnership as efficient and effective as possible.

Further information on each priority can be accessed on the website. You will also be able to see how we are working towards these objectives in our local community plans in the Document Library.

Document Library

The library provides access to all key partnership documents, such as the local community plans, community profiles and Making it Real action plans. You can also view other relevant documents as well as minutes and agendas for partnership meetings in Aberdeenshire.

Tackling Poverty

Here you will find information and updates from our Tackling Poverty and Inequalities strategy group. The section focuses on local statistics and positive examples of tackling poverty in Aberdeenshire.

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