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Having your say about life in Garioch

Jill Sowden, Garioch Local Community Planning Officer, has been out and about over the summer months talking to local residents about where they live, what issues they might have and what can be done to make their lives better.

The information gathered will be considered by the Garioch Local Community Planning Group to help inform the new Garioch Local Community Plan.

A large display by all partners

on the Garioch Local Community Planning Group is being planned for Saturday, 3 October 2009 at Inverurie Academy to complement the Heritage Fair being held at the school on the day.

It is not too late for you to have your say. If you want to tell Jill what you think please contact her on 01467 628338; at Gordon House, Inverurie or by email at jill.sowden@aberdeenshire.gov.uk.

Youth Cafes are on their way!

Much work has been carried out across Garioch by young people and their supporters to drive forward their plans for having somewhere to go in the evenings that they can call their own.

Youth cafes are not just about somewhere to get a drink and play pool although they do provide a safe meeting place for young people. They offer so much more. They allow young people to develop relationships built on trust with youth workers. They create a sense of ownership and give young people the opportunity to develop their skills in decision making, they set the rules, they draw up the programme of events, they develop management and business skills, they organise fundraising activities.

A successful Youth Café already exists in Kemnay and now groups in Kintore, Westhill and Inverurie are all looking for premises and funding to make their dreams turn into reality too.

Graham McDonald at the Hub on 0845 003 4225 or Jill Sowden, Community Planning Officer on 01467 628338.

The Local Hub at Kintore has now opened!



The Local Hub at Kintore, a community café featured in a previous issue of this newsletter, opened in June. All profits from the Hub will be ploughed back into community projects in the area. The Hub is proving hugely popular, so much so

that more volunteers are needed to help provide the first class service. As well as having café facilities, the Hub has internet access and acts as a focal point for community activity in Kintore. If you are interested in helping out at the Hub please contact Alison or

contact us

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Our Aberdeenshire Website

Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership launched its own successful website at the start of 2008. This website has lots of useful information on the community planning partnership and the work that is being taken forward by the partnership. We have made this website as user friendly as possible with straight forward menu tabs to allow easy navigation through the different headings and sections of interest...

About Us

Under the heading 'About Us' you can find more information about the partnership in general, our partners, our vision and the roles and remits of the partnership groups. It also has a Funding section with useful information about different sources of funding and a Community Planning in Action section with detailed examples of good practise from all areas of Aberdeenshire.

News and Events

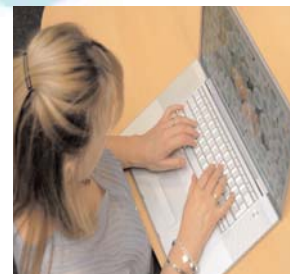
Here you can read our latest news and events with the option of leaving a comment on each article if you wish.

Your Area

In the Your Area section you can find out what is happening in your local area. Our local community planning groups deliver community planning at a local level. Each group brings together local representatives from our partners to identify and address the needs and concerns in your own area.

Local Community Plans

There is a Community Plan in existence in each of the six areas of Aberdeenshire. These plans state targets for improvements or action in a variety of areas of work for the next four years. The Community Plans are based on the previous Council Area Plans, but now include input from a variety of community planning partners in addition to the Council, including Police, Fire, NHS etc. The existing 2008-12 Community Plans are now under consultation with a view to producing revised, and up-to-date, plans for 2010-14 by April 2010. To find out how you can put forward your views on priorities for the area in which you live, either view the Your Area pages or contact your local Community Planning Officer. Contact details are available on the Contact Section of the website. We would greatly appreciate Your Input.



Our next newsletter will provide you with lots more information about other sections of our website. In the meantime please visit us at **www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk**

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