

Voluntary Action Angus

Weekly Bulletin

21st July




Third Sector Interface



This weeks content covers:

**Angus Whole Family
Wellbeing Programme Update
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*We hope you enjoy reading some of the latest information
and updates from the third sector, across Angus in this
weeks Voluntary Action Angus TSI bulletin.*



VOLUNTARY ACTION ANGUS

Angus Whole Family Wellbeing Programme Update

It was agreed by Kirsty Lee (Angus Council) and Hayley Mearns (Voluntary Action Angus CEO) that going forward we would provide a joint briefing on the back of any updates regarding the Whole Family Wellbeing Fund, the purpose in this is to avoid any ambiguity regarding the way forward.

Read the Joint briefing on behalf of Kirsty Lee and Hayley Mearns which was agreed at the Integrated Children's services Partnership **here**.

As per this update some planning sessions have been arranged to support the development of a Third Sector hub model. Third Sector colleagues are invited to attend these sessions to start looking at opportunities, risks, outcomes, and mechanisms of this approach prior to involving a consultant to support the creation of a draft work plan.

The dates for WFWF Third Sector planning sessions are as follows:

Tuesday 25th July - 1.30pm - 3.30pm at 5-7 The Cross, Forfar
Tuesday 8th August 9.30am - 5pm - venue TBC

If you are interested in attending these sessions, please email VAA CEO Hayley Mearns - **hayley@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk**

ANGUS WHOLE FAMILY WELLBEING PROGRAMME

UPDATE



Summer Fun Street Party!

We are running Summer Fun activities throughout the Angus summer school holidays, in partnership with Angus Council.

Our activities got off to a bubble-tastic start with a Street Party at The Cross and special guest, Poppy Bubbles!

View the photos from the day on our Facebook page [here](#).



Invitation to 'Cross Talks' with Voluntary Action Angus

'Cross Talks' are an opportunity for third sector organisations and partners within Angus to come together around a particular topic or issue, and share their concerns and experiences, while learning more about what others are doing and finding ways to work together.

A recent poll carried out by VAA identified 'Sustainability within the 3rd Sector' as a topic for discussion.

Where and when?

Wednesday 16th August from 2pm-4pm at
5-7 The Cross Forfar

Find out more and sign up via Eventbrite [here](#).



Come along to our Social Enterprise Forum!

Are you an Angus established or aspiring to be Social Enterprise? We would like to invite you to attend our Angus Social Enterprise Forum.

Where and when?

The next meeting is Monday 21st August at Montrose Playhouse, The Mall, Montrose DD10 8NN

This is an opportunity to network with fellow Social Enterprises, receive updates from Voluntary Action Angus and the wider third sector, gain peer business support and more.

Find more information and book a place **here**.

For further information, email **natalie@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk**



Are you looking for a fun-filled afternoon?

Are you aged 15 to 25? Ever thought of becoming a volunteer? We have an opportunity for you!

We are looking for volunteers:

- Aged 15-25
- Free on Tuesday, Wednesday or Friday afternoons
- Patience, understanding and good communication skills

You will spend time with residents of sheltered housing:

- Kirriemuir - Fridays
- Arbroath - Tuesdays
- Forfar - Wednesdays

**Play bingo,
board games,
have a laugh,
eat cake and
much more!**

If interested, please contact **Michelle@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk**
or call **01307 466113**

CARE ABOUT ANGUS

Office items that may be of interest



Care About Angus will shortly close for business and has a number of office items that may be of interest to other third sector organisations.

In particular we have between 200 and 300 red A4 ring binders, most of which have never been used, 2 colour printers(colour), some PPE, office desks and a variety of storage/filing cabinets.

If you are interested please give Evelyn a call on **01307 490562**.

SPORTING MEMORIES SCOTLAND

Heads up for older sports fans in the Forfar area!

On Monday 7th August we're launching a brand new club for age 50+ sports fans perhaps living with a long term condition who would like to reminisce about their favourite sporting memories.

Where and when?

Every Monday, from 7th August at Strathmore Cricket Club, Forfar at 10.30am

For further information, email
donna.mackey@sportingmemories.uk



CARNOUSTIE AND MONIFIETH MEN'S SHED

We are looking for a Volunteer Admin Assistant

We are looking for someone to assist with the day-to-day admin duties for our organisation plus helping with more specialised work for funding applications and reporting and ensuring that all relevant forms are available to the membership.

Find more information and apply **here**.



WEST LINKS PARKRUN

Could you help out at the Parkrun?

West Links Parkrun is a free weekly 5km event for participants of all standards, which takes place every Saturday at 9.30am in West Links Park, Queen's Drive, Arbroath, DD11 1QD.

There are plenty of opportunities to try new roles, apply your skills or learn new ones, be with friends and family, meet people and be a part of the parkrun community.

We are looking for volunteers in the following roles: marshalling, trail walker, park walker, photographer, barcode scanner, time keeper, funnel manager, finish token provider, number checker, first timer brief, set up, close down and report writer.

Find more information and apply **here**.



ANGUS HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE PARTNERSHIP

We are looking for a Volunteer Gardener

We are looking for volunteers to help with general maintenance to keep the Seaton Grove hospital garden in Arbroath attractive and tidy.

Main Tasks:

- To respect patient confidentiality
- Volunteers will assist with a variety of on-going tasks including, weeding, pruning, watering and planting out flower beds
- To comply with the NHS Tayside Policy on Volunteering

Find more information and apply **here**.



BRAES RIDING SCHOOL

We are looking for volunteers

We are looking for volunteers to assist disabled riders to:

- Get on and off the horses
- Walk round the paddock with rider and horse
- Talk with Rider
- Assist with watering, feeding and mucking out the stables
- Grooming and general duties as requested by the manager

Find more information and apply **here**.



THE NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND



Cost-of-Living Support Scotland

More people than ever before are likely to face severe challenges as a result of the cost-of-living crisis.

Through this programme we aim to fund activity that reduces the impact of, or prevents financial insecurity. We want to fund activity that means people:

- Have more resilience and are more able to identify ways to deal with the impact of increased cost of living in their lives
- Are able to shape activity in their community to address the increased cost-of-living
- Have more access to support and services that will help them to deal with the increased cost of living

Find more information and apply [here](#).

TAYSIDE COUNCIL ON ALCOHOL

Positive Connections group referrals open

We are now taking new referrals for our Positive Connections group (Formerly known as TCA's 16+ Female group), starting in August. The last 6-month program has seen lots of positive outcomes for the females in attendance, with all reporting improved well-being, self-confidence and members securing college placements and employment.

TCA's Positive Connections Group targets young women aged 16 to 21 across Angus who are experiencing disadvantage to some extent.

The group will run weekly on Thursday afternoons for 2 hours over a 6-month period and consist of issue-based content and the opportunity to try new experiences, as guided by the young women's needs as articulated by individuals and referral information.



For further information, email Vikki.Jeffrey@alcoholtayside.com

Complete the group referral form [here](#).

EASYFUNDRAISING

Upcoming Easyfundraising Meet the Funder Webinar

Does your community organisation need additional funds? Come along to a short informal webinar to hear how fundraising platform easyfundraising can help you. Community fundraising expert Becky Coleman will explain how easyfundraising works, give a live demo and answer all your questions.

Suitable for: community groups, social enterprises, charities, voluntary organisations, CICs, churches, sports clubs and schools.

When?

Wednesday 26th July from 12.30pm – 1pm

Register via Zoom **here**.

Find out more about easyfundraising **here**.



FIRSTPORT

Social Innovation Challenge

The Social Innovation Challenge funds and supports innovators to kick-start solutions that tackle some of the most pressing challenges of our time.

This year the Social Innovation Challenge focuses on the issues connected with the rising cost of living.

The rising cost of living is not one single issue. Firstport are looking for innovative ideas that tackle these deep-rooted obstacles.

The most impactful social enterprise solution will receive £50,000 and tailored support.

Find more information **here**.

Applications close 31st July.



SUBMITTING YOUR CONTENT

Would you like something added to next weeks bulletin? If so, send your submission to Laura@voluntaryactionangus.org.uk by **5pm on Wednesday 26th July.**

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