

**Note of Meeting of**

**Health and Social Care Forum**

**Thursday 03 September 10.00am – 12.00pm**

Craig Mitchell House, Flemington Road, Glenrothes, KY7 5QF

**Present:**

**Bert Lumsden**  
**Kenny Macrea**  
**Ross Livingstone**  
**John Stirling**  
**Ewan Masson, Tom Bishop**  
**Jill Traynor**  
**David Smith**  
**Mhairi Lochhead**  
**Kenny Murphy (chair), Jo Clark, Christine Davison**  
**Carole Simpson**  
**Aiveen Ryan**  
**Liz Reid**  
**Francis Howie**  
**Carol Gordon**  
**Bill Baird**  
**Fraser Mitchell**

*Age Concern Glenrothes*  
*Barony Housing*  
*Circles Network*  
*Disabilities Fife*  
*Dunfermline Advocacy*  
*Enable*  
*Energi*  
*Fife Carers Centre*  
*Fife Voluntary Action*  
*Frontline Fife*  
*Generations Working Together*  
*Homeshare Scotland*  
*Kingdom Housing Association*  
*RNIB*  
*Royal Voluntary Service*  
*Social Work*

**Apologies:**

**Julie Penn**  
**Debbie Finlayson, Bill Chalmers**  
**Norma Philpott**  
**Jackie Morrison, Claire Chue Hong**  
**Tom Bishop**  
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**Raymond Brennan, Sarah Cierans**  
**John Jones**  
**Duncan Mitchell, Wendy Barbour**  
**Alison Brown**  
**Jeanette Donnelly**  
**Fiona MacKenzie**  
**Mark McGeachie**  
**Jane Maciver, Senga Smith**  
**Marion Murray**  
**Michelle Sweeney**  
**Linda Cruickshank**  
**Eileen McCrossan**  
**George Cuthill**

*Alzheimer Scotland*  
*British Red Cross*  
*CARF*  
*DPHS*  
*Dunfermline Advocacy*  
*Dunfermline Advocacy*  
*Enable*  
*Express Group Fife*  
*FEAT*  
*Furniture Plus*  
*Health and Social Care Alliance*  
*Health and Social Care Partnership*  
*Joint Improvement Team*  
*LINK Befriending Project*  
*MS Society*  
*OnatFife*  
*RNIB*  
*Scottish Autism*  
*Scottish Health Council*

## Carer Support

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Kenny welcomed Fraser Mitchell and Mhairi Lochhead to the September Forum.

Fraser and Mhairi spoke about their partnership work to re-design the carer assessment process used in Fife. It is anticipated that the form could be used by anyone looking to assess carers' needs in the future. Features of this assessment include:

- An asset based approach
- More focused on how to support the carer in their role
- Done **with** the person and not **to** them
- Referring on for additional support
- Identifies outcomes and helps the carer work towards them
- Anyone can use this form – it's not just limited to social work or the carers centre
- Used the talking points framework to fit in with existing training

Fraser and Mhairi emphasised that they are continuing to take feedback to improve the form. They are consulting with carers to review the form and ensure it is "*fit for purpose*".

### Carers (Scotland) Bill 2015

Fraser handed out a summary of key points from the Carers (Scotland) Bill 2015 for the Forum.

Key points of discussion included:

- National vs local criteria
- Kinship carers (defined as a person who is related to the child (through blood, marriage or civil partnership) or a person with whom the child has a pre-existing relationship).
- Self-Directed Support for carers
- Emergency/future planning

## Integration Update

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Fiona MacKenzie, Change Manager, Health and Social Care Partnership gave her apologies.

The Shadow Board has not met since the last H&SC Forum on Thursday 06 August 2015.

The Integration Scheme is with the Scottish Parliament and will be signed-off in due course.

It is the H&SC Partnership who will sign-off the strategic plan (there is no parliamentary sign-off required for this).

The commissioning plan will be part of the strategic plan. It is not yet clear if this will be part of this year's plan.

The Divisional Regional Manager post for West Fife has been advertised. Two more appointments have been made to the board. These are:

- Associate Director of Nursing (Fife Wide) – Nicky Connor
- Associate Medical Director – Dr. Seonaid McCallum

The group discussed engagement and involvement of the public.

### **Integrated Care Fund Update**

The Integrated Care Fund (ICF) Board will meet on Monday 21 September 2015. It is expected the board will discuss monies set-aside for befriending. 11 organisations have been granted funding for befriending in Fife and have already met to discuss their projects. Discussion themes included:

- Recruitment and retention of staff and volunteers.
- Having a coordinated and joined-up approach – Support from the Joint Improvement Team and Evaluation Support Scotland has been approved to assist this process.

### **Any other competent business**

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#### **Creative breaks**

The Creative Breaks fund is for anyone living in Fife who cares for someone aged 20+ years. Funding has been approved for another year (running from October 2015 to September 2016). Due to the volume of bids, the sum allocated to the project this year is less than last, however the funder has stipulated that the maximum grant should be £300 (rather than the £500 of previous years) so that a similar volume of recipients may be supported.

#### **Strengthening Communities Partnership**

The Strengthening Communities Partnership has not yet met. Kenny Murphy is a member of this group.

#### **Community Learning & Development Plan 2015-2018**

Kenny distributed a copy of the new 'Community Learning & Development Plan 2015-2018' to the Forum. This is the new Community Learning & Development (CLD) strategy for the next three years in Fife. An action plan will also be produced.

#### **Fairer Fife Commissioning**

This commission is looking at how to do things differently and what assets are available to support this. The commission is to meet with the Third Sector Strategy Group (TSSG).

#### **Community Empowerment Scotland Act (latest draft)**

Key features of the act include:

- H&SC partnerships will be Community Planning Partners by law making them accountable to the public and partners.
- As a Community Planning Partner (public bodies) will have duty to attend Community Planning Partnerships (CPPs)
- A duty to engage
- Community groups can request a transfer of asset (building or service) and the Local Authority must consider this. There is no duty to accept but it must be considered.

A multi-agency group is working in Fife on community rights to buy to ensure that communities have support to achieve this.

#### **Creating a Fairer Scotland**

The Scottish Government is inviting members of the public to have their say on what a Fairer Scotland should look like in 2030, and how to make this vision a reality.

The currently nearest planned event is in Dundee on Thursday 05 November.

## Member Updates

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Fife Carers Centre, Energi and Fife Voluntary Action announce they have been successful in their application for befriending from the ICF.

John Stirling – Disabilities Fife held their AGM on Wednesday 09 September at New Volunteer House.

Aiveen Ryan:

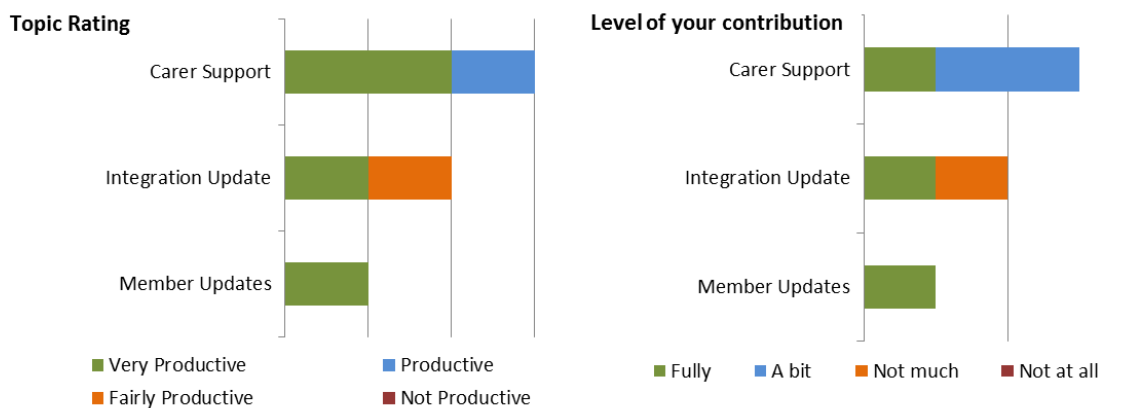
- Mental health and wellbeing trainer (in exchange for accommodation Aiveen can offer free places on the training)
- Generations Working Together met to discuss intergenerational projects. Aiveen is looking to map intergenerational projects.
- Aiveen offers laughter yoga sessions

Liz Reid – Homeshare Scotland is looking for referrals for home owners who are looking to share their home with a younger person.

Ewan Masson – Dunfermline Advocacy will hold her AGM on Monday 28 September.

## Feedback

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## Future Attendance

