



Teen Talk



Summer 2019

Glenrothes Co-ordinator

I am delighted to announce **Maria Suttie** as the successful candidate! She will come into post 20th August. There was a lot of interest in the job - 62 packs sent out; 14 applicants; 4 interviews, all were very strong candidates. Thank you so much to Susan Clayton for helping me screen the applications and select the 4 for interview; Susan Matson and Senga for being on the interview panel.

Funding Update

- Both applications to Young Start and Children in Need were successful - woop woop!! Fully securing the Project for the next 3 years and enabling the Glenrothes expansion to go ahead 😊 😊
- My £1,500 bid to the R&A Town Fund was also approved.
- Going to arrange a wee Fundraising Fayre 6th November, 5-7pm at the Cosmos.
- The Ice Breaker Comedy Club has very kindly offered to hold their next St Andrews event as a fundraiser for LINK, 21st August, 8.30pm at The Vic. The organiser's wife was involved with LINK many years ago and she remains a great supporter of our work.

***Thank You to all of the wonderful Funders who support LINK ***

Volunteer Awards, Welcomes and Farewells

25 Volunteering Hours - Alfie, Allan & Rebecca

50 Volunteering Hours - Yasmin & Louise

250 Volunteering Hours - Kathryn

Well Done! All now feature on the Facebook Wall Of Fame 😊

Goodbye and best wishes to D'jaleh who Graduated from St Andrews University and Emily who moves on from LINK after meeting with the same young person for 4 years and seeing life changing progress in their time together.

Social Events

The annual BBQ took place Wednesday 10th July, 5-7pm. Another great event - good weather, lots of delicious donated food & drink and lovely company, ranging from 2 weeks upwards! It's wonderful seeing young people LINK supported now coming along with their children. Thank you to Penman, Ceres & Minick Butchers; Barnett and F&D bakeries; The New Inn & Ceres Inn, Morrisons St Andrews for their generous donations. A Thank You letter was published in the St Andrews Citizen.

Volunteers' Week

Afternoon Tea was another lovely, well attended event, with a relaxed, warm vibe. Thanks to Dorothy & Senga for the vintage teasetts and tunes. Cash for Kids came and did a wee film with me for their upcoming Ladies' Lunch fundraiser. I haven't seen the finished product yet, but it seemed painless at the time!

AGM

Was held on 12th June at Weston in Cupar. This year's Speaker, Janet shared SAJE's very interesting work. <http://www.sajescotland.org/> Annual Reports can be found on LINK's website www.linkbefriending.org.uk

Training Courses for Volunteers

A Fife Child Protection Committee e-learning is now compulsory for all befrienders <https://fifecouncil.learningnexus.co.uk/course/view.php?id=429>
The full course programme <http://www.fifechildprotection.org.uk>

Health Promotion Fife programme www.healthyfife.net

FVA
<http://www.fifevoluntaryaction.org.uk/news.asp?category=Training%20and%20Learning>

Playfield Institute's latest training programme www.playfieldinstitute.co.uk.
Fife Violence Against Women Partnership
<http://www.fifechildprotection.org.uk/minisites/index.cfm?fuseaction=page.display&pageid=FA804152-90F9-9261-D7FCAD5CFD7DD051&siteID=AA73CD9C-E7FE-C7EA-06436BFC786E1C8E>