South Adult Learning Partnership

Minutes of Meeting

Location Cardonald Campus, Glasgow Clyde College Date 20th September 2016

Present Alison McLachlan (WEA), Cheryl McLean (Glasgow Clyde College), Christine Nanguy (Pollokshaws ALN Project), Claire Bradley (Glasgow Life), Emma Collins (Village Storytelling Centre), Fiona McGovern (Ardenglen Housing Association), Frances Bradley (Glasgow Life), Gail Cochrane (Fair Deal), Jim Lee (Glasgow Clyde College), Mary McAuley (British Red Cross), Mary Rocks (Glasgow Life), Ruth Forsythe (Finns Place), Sallie Condy (GCVS), Shaun Pearce (Glasgow Life), Sheila White – Chair (Glasgow Clyde College), Victoria McHard (Glasgow Clyde College).

Apologies Joanne Aitken, Karen Armstrong, Nadeem Hanif, Sarah O'Hare.

AGENDA

ACTION POINTS

No	Item	Description/Action	Person	Action
1.	Welcome and Introductions	The Acting Chair, Sheila White, welcomed all in attendance. Introductions were made around the table.		
2.	Membership changes to SALP	Due to restructuring within Glasgow Life. Pat Urquhart will no longer be the Chair of the partnership. The group would like to thank Pat for all her hard work and support over the past year and wish her well for the future. Additional thanks should also be given to Jim Connie who has left the Red Cross and Maria-Elena Heather who will be unable to attend future meetings due to a change in remits.		
3.	Apologies	Joanne Aitken, Karen Armstrong, Nadeem Hanif, Sarah O'Hare.		
4.	Previous Minutes/ Matters Arising	Previous minutes were approved and matters arising are on the agenda to be discussed.		

5.	CLD Plan in the context of your own work- input by Sallie Condy	Sallie Condy from GCVS led a short workshop to look at and discuss the CLD Plan (specifically the Community- Based Adult Learning section) in the context of your own work.	SC, SW	Will circulate introduction briefing to partners
		Partners were given flipchart paper and they discussed their strengths and weaknesses in each area. Further points were discussed including mapping provision, referral processes and time to share evaluation techniques.	GCVS	Produce report
		A report will be produced by GCVS using the comments made during the discussion. This will be distributed when available.		
		To read the full CLD Plan, visit www.glasgowslearning.org.uk.		
		Thank you to Sallie for the delivery of the workshop.		
6.	South Programmes Funding update	Gail Cochrane from Fair Deal- "Help yourself Grow". Recent funding has helped the organisation purchase accessible gardening tools and plants. Previous Big Lottery funding helped them set up their kitchen and garden and they now run an accredited Gardening and Cookery Programme. Cheryl McLean from Glasgow Clyde College- New term started in August and classes include Beauty, Community Journalism and Sewing. Current information can be found on the website www.glasgowclyde.ac.uk/community and Facebook www.facebook.com/CLDGlasgowClyde/ . ESOL classes will be starting in October.		
		Sallie Condy from GCVS- Karen is now using MailChimp for the mailing lists. If you are not receiving emails check your junk folder. Get in touch with Karen if you have any problems: karen.armstrong@gcvs.org.uk .		
		Ruth Forsyth from Finns Place- Currently has 4-6 regulars and some new interested learners. Very popular Mental Health First Aid courses also taking place. Courses in the next few months will look at non-violent communication and listening skills.		
		Emma Collins from Village Storytelling- The previous reminiscence group ended in June and they will be looking at intergenerational work for the future. A sewing group aimed at people of risk of isolation runs on Wednesdays from 2-4 and new members are welcome- they can learn new skills or bring a project. A new programme running will be storytelling with people whose first		

language isn't English- parents and children will be looking at native songs.

Fiona McGovern from Ardenglen- The Only Way is Up currently has 98 learners, 31 on the IT programme and 16 regular learners. The ESOL course has 8 sporadic learners. Also running are media projects, lone parent groups, sewing, cookery, gardening, enterprise and upcycling groups.

Christine Nanguy from PALS- There is currently one to one learning, peer learning, IT classes, homework clubs and family learning taking place. Will be doing joint work with Glasgow Life. UK General Knowledge course will be starting in January and an ALN course at Govan High with Glasgow Life: Learner Centred Youth Literacies. The current number for the Pollokshaws Adult Literacy and Numeracy Project is 0141 629 2747.

Alison McLachlan from WEA- Recently moved from the George Square office to the more accessible Washington Street. Evaluations from GalGael led to a change in the programme- the class now takes place in the Community Centre as GalGael has no dedicated teaching space.

Mary McAuley from the British Red Cross- Recent restructure to the organisation, subsequently remits have changed. Mary will be focusing on adult First Aid, specifically, adults helping adults, peoples over the age of 65, homelessness, drug and mental health issues. They also will cover the whole of Scotland. Leaflets were made available to partners.

Mary Rocks from Glasgow Life- Current classes include ESOL Access 2 to Access 3. Classes in Ibrox previously went very well and positive feedback was received. The 3 classes will continue in October. Looking for learners access 3 and above at the moment for St Francis in the Gorbals- learner led Language Café, Mondays 1-3pm. Childcare is available for Beginners ESOL class in the Govanhill Trinity Church- Thursdays 10.30am till 2pm with a free lunch. 2 ESOL Employability (Access 3) classes starting soon in Gorbals and Govanhill.

Shaun Pearce from Glasgow Life- Shaun introduced himself and his new role in the South of Glasgow. He is currently meeting with tutors.

Claire Bradley from Glasgow Life- Claire introduced her new role as a Family Learning Officer. Currently meeting with Head Teachers and will be working with parents of Primary 1 and 2 in addressing low literacy skills. Future classes will include sessions on "how to read" activities, and parent library and

		homework clubs. They are looking to identify students who are falling behind and encourage reading for enjoyment and build confidence.		
7.	ESOL Update- Register of Interest	Jim explained his role as the EASE project co-ordinator and his links with Mags Wilson from the City of Glasgow College. Jim co-ordinates ESOL testing in the South East of Glasgow and offers pastoral care to College and Community Students.		
		Jim advised, 400 students were tested during the summer and were given advice on their next step. Testing will now take place in 3 libraries and 3 community venues on Wednesdays in the South East. A short discussion took place regarding a possible gap in testing in the Pollokshaws area (G43) or along transport routes from the area. Alternative venues were mentioned.		
		The ESOL Register began as a pilot project in January 2016. Since then approximately 2500 people have registered. Once they have registered, they will receive a welcome text with a registration number and a text with local assessment venues. After testing, the names go back onto the register alongside their level. The next step will need cooperation from organisations to feed back into the register which students have attended classes. The register will hopefully begin to show a map of ESOL learners in the city and will become one point of contact for learners and organisations. To register, click this link www.learnesolglasgow.com and click the green "Join the ESOL Register" button.		
8.	Adult Achievement Award Update	No update at this time. To be deferred to a future meeting.	CHAIR	Agenda point for future meeting
9.	The Learners Voice/ Learner Involvement	No update at this time. To be deferred to a future meeting.	CHAIR	Agenda point for future meeting
10	AOB	Colleagues are asked to make Victoria McHard aware if you know of any changes to be made on the partnership distribution list to that it can be kept up to date.	ALL	Update VM with distribution list changes.
		If any partners would like anything distributed via the weekly email, contact Victoria.	ALL	Send any distribution material to VM
		Leaflets were made available- British Red Cross, Finns Place, CLD Plan and ESOL Register of Interest.		
		Information on the Dropbox recently includes the Scottish Adult Learning Festival and an upcoming CLD Mangers event.		

		A dyslexia testing bid from the Clyde Foundation was discussed. The Clyde Foundation will be brought up at a future meeting.	CHAIR	Agenda point for future meeting.
11.	Date of next meeting	The next meeting will be held on 6 th December 2016 at the Cardonald Campus.		
		It was agreed that a Tuesday suits partners for future meetings. Dates will be arranged and distributed.		

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