South Adult Learning Partnership

Minutes of Meeting

Location St Francis Centre **Date** 27th June 2017

Present Christine Nanguy (Pollokshaws ALN Project), Cheryl McLean (Glasgow Clyde College), Jim Lee (Glasgow Clyde College), Mary Rocks (Glasgow Life), Ruth Forsyth (Finn's Place), Shaun Pearce- Chair (Glasgow Life), Susan Johnston (Homestart), Victoria McHard (Glasgow Clyde College)

Apologies Alison McLachlan, Cathy Mullen, Fiona McGovern, Gail Cochrane, Joanne Aitken, Karen Armstrong, Nadeem Hanif, Norman Ferguson, Sallie Condy, Sheila White.

AGENDA

ACTION POINTS

No	Item	Description/Action	Person	Action
1.	Welcome	Shaun Pearce welcomed partners to the St Francis Centre, a Glasgow Life Venue.		
		Partners briefly introduced themselves and their roles.		
2	Apologies	Apologies were noted.		
3.	Previous Minutes/ Matters Arising	Amendment to minutes:	VMcH	Amendment to be
	Alloning	Karen Armstrong requested an amendment to point 10 on the agenda.	VIIIOIT	made to minutes and to re-circulate.
		Matters from the Minutes:		
		DWD Comtoots		
		DWP Contact: Patrick Friel- Patrick.Friel@dwp.gsi.gov.uk. Partners are invited to		

SALP Minutes

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		at the interval a fiddler played and an impromptu cèilidh dance was enacted by staff. The ALN Event was held at the Mitchel Library in the Annan room, which again proved to be a suitable space, with learner's work being displayed, 130 learners and staff in attendance and 40 learners performed readings of their work. The organisation for the 2018 Aye Write Event plan to start this year to allow a greater lead in time and hopefully will be allow further groups of leaners to get involved.	
5.	Feedback from Glasgow Learning Partnership Meeting	A contact was provided for DWP (Patrick Friel-Patrick, Friel@dwp.gsi.gov.uk.) If there are a number of Jobseekers interested in a specific type of class, the Job Centre may be willing to commission work. Currently Universal Credit is only affecting new single claimants and Glasgow is the last area to move to the full implementation of the Universal Credit system in September 2018 for all new and existing claimants. There will likely be a large number of people requiring information and support in the lead up to the implementation date and any personal changes in circumstances for all existing claimants on benefits will automatically be transferred over to Universal Credit come September 2018. A new ESOL Map from ESOL Network Project is currently being proposed and Mags Wilson from City of Glasgow College is looking for assistance and support to work on an improved ESOL map and leaflet. Glasgow Life Learning Review is currently in progress. Shaun will update the group when he knows more. Francis Bradley circulated ALN Hotspots. By raising the percentage rate of the hotspots, Govan and Castlemilk are now included and highlight as hotspot areas in the South. Questions were asked at the Glasgow's Learning Partnership of what the information was based on and Frances	

		informed the group it was based on geographical unemployment or attainment levels. Future HMIE Inspections was discussed and how they will focus more on the evidence used to assist and inform community classes. Shaun asked SALP Partners: What type of evidence do they use? Jim Lee uses evidence to shape the EASE service. He works closely alongside Mags Wilson and as a result of sharing data offers morning and afternoon sessions. Shaun asked Jim if he could summarise the statistics gathered during ESOL assessments and present them at a future meeting. Mary Rocks discussed speaking to students to catch their feedback. For example, she has heard that a lot of learners haven't heard whether or not they have a place at college or not.	JL	ESOL Statistical Analysis
		Christine Nanguy said it is important to be flexible to support learner needs. Christine also spoke about the Equal Opportunities LOTIS form and how PALS is working on making the collection of equalities information more accessible at the project, whilst completely anonymous. Further discussion took place on lack of feedback from the LOTIS returns, how feedback could be used to inform classes and a time consuming spreadsheet for returning the information. Cheryl spoke about using information gathered by the college as evidence and consulting with new venues and learners. Dates for your diary Family Learning week will be 6 th -9 th September 2017. International Literacy day is 8 th September 2017.	SP	Speak to Francis Bradley about LOTIS Forms.
6.	Discussion Topic: SALP Members Exercise	SALP partners in attendance were asked to discuss the benefits of attending SALP meetings and how the partnership meetings can be improved? Mary Rocks kindly recorded the group responses on the flip chart.		

		Feedback will be circulated for partners at a later date.		
7.	The Learners Voice/ Learner Involvement	No update at this time. Will remain on the agenda.	SP/SW	Agenda Point
8.	South Programmes Funding & Project Update	Christine Nanguy- PALS: Christine is looking for volunteer conversationalists and written resources for a Language Café. Life in the UK course had a poor uptake. Christine was advised to contact ESOL Register for future classes. Mary Rocks- Glasgow Life: Becoming a Mother in Scotland course was successful. Last session was 26 th June and evaluations look good. Possible future course, depending on funding. Mary circulated a Free Holiday Programme leaflet. Copies are available in libraries and community centres. Mary also circulated a Southside Food Map with details of Food Banks, Community Meals, Soup Kitchens and Community Gardens. Mary Rocks - Glasgow Life: ESOL Enrolment day to be held on 28 th /29 th August at Govanhill Neighbourhood Centre, Daisy Street from 9.30-11.30am. Classes will begin the following week.	CMcL/SP /MR	Discuss ESOL classes.
9.	AOB	Partners were advised of an organisation to donate or receive baby clothes and equipment. The organisation is based in Kilmarnock and can be contacted by email: hillhousecare@gmail.com .		
		Shaun thanked everyone for their attendance.		
10	Date of next meeting	26 th September at 10am at Finn's Place. A short presentation will be given on the work taking place at Finn's Place and there will be a presentation on Capacity Building and the CLD National Standards.		

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