

North Berwick Coastal  
Area Partnership

**Health & Wellbeing Association**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 in St Andrew Blackadder Church**

**Present** - Deborah Ritchie H&WB; Marie Dickson RVS; Jacqueline Kirkland NHS Lothian; John Baird NBVCS; Alex Hutchison; Ian Donald Day Centre; Sandra King ELC; James Barbour Gullane; Marilyn McNeill IJB; Katie Nevans ELC; Anne Orr Dirleton; Tillie Baird H&WB

**Apologies** - Sue Northrop

**Welcome/introductions** – We welcomed Jacqueline Kirkland NHS Lothian

**Matters arising from March meeting**

Enjoy Leisure – we raised the closing of the crèche at the sports centre at the Area partnership meeting. Jim Goodfellow told us it was not financially viable to continue this at £20 per session per child. Requirement is for child/adult 1 to 1 ratio.

Sheltered housing contracts – Ian Donald drafted a letter which has gone to MP, MSP and councillors.

A survey of sheltered housing is due to be published by ELC – Brian Davies. The situation of wardens being responsible for the property and not the care of tenants is Scotland wide, although some these tenants often do need support.

IJB have commented that sheltered housing could be included in reprovisioning – nothing has been ruled out.

Transport to hospital – this has been passed to On the Move Group via the Area Partnership.

**Project to tackle loneliness/isolation**

Carol Stobie has been appointed and will start on 23<sup>rd</sup> April.

Several organisations are interested in linking to the project including St A B Church & RVS Advisory group is in place.

Strive already know of the project – we will tell them of the appointment.

We will ask Gullane and area CC for help in linking in with GP's there.

Katie N will help with finding follow-on funding for March 2020

We still need a name for the project – Link-Up; Community Links; Link to Change ....

Please give us some suggestions.

A suggestion was made for a survey to find out what older people really want in terms of social contacts. This could be linked to the project and/or our website. QM University may have students who can help.

**Reprovisioning of health and social care**

Alison MacDonald has been appointed as Director of Health and Social Care in East Lothian.

The NB Reprovisioning Group will meet in April.

SE Hub Scotland Ltd, who is working with IJB, is the group who worked on the new community hospital in Haddington. They were good at consulting with communities on buildings as well as services.

The Friends of the Abbey group. Let Sue Northrop know if you want to join this group.

We need to concentrate on 1 or 2 things in reprovisioning and get clear ideas on these to present to IJB.

There is concern over the possibility of two new private care homes – Mitchell garage site and Goldcrest proposal, Tantallon Rd. What demands will these put on our existing health and social care provision by both statutory and community organisations?

The question “Could the Edington become a hospice” was asked?  
Would the land at corner of Strathearn Road & Dirleton Avenue be a good site for new provision?  
The process must not be rushed – changes unlikely to be made for many years.

East Lothian Spring Partnership on 27 April at QMU, 9 to 12.45 -focus on linking with H&SCP – Deborah and Tillie to attend.

### **Our new website/Facebook page**

Money from underspend to be used to print small publicity leaflets about this.  
The Villages will have a linked slot on the site. Also other health related organisations eg Aging Well will be invited to make links.

### **Remembrance writing workshops and lunch**

A personal approach is to be made to ministers/churches and guidance teachers to find people who may want to be involved.

### **Dementia friendly NB**

DFEL is working with H&SC and IJB to include issues of late diagnosis, post diagnosis support and stigma.

Report of event here:

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/dfel-spring-gathering-dementia-the-el-health-social-care-strategy-tickets-57272607912>

### **Village reports**

Sue N is to visit Dirleton Good Neighbours who also want to link to Carol Stobie and the Tackling Loneliness project.

### **Compassionate Communities Conference**

Deborah is to attend the conference and investigate new scheme for a worker to work with 4 communities. Can NB be one of them?

### **Upswing project**

Katie is to look into funding for the room in CC for this project

### **Walking football**

Flyer attached

### **Succession planning**

We need a treasurer for May 2019 and Chair for 2020

### **Finance**

No financial report, but we have a small amount of funding for incidentals.

### **AOCB**

Area partnership - AGM May 21st – Same budget as last year.  
We need to present our priorities to this meeting which must reflect Area Plan's outcomes. We need to look at village priorities as well.  
Tillie & Deborah to visit Gullane Area CC to talk about H&WB

**Date of next meeting Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May 10.30 Community Centre**

