**Dedridge Regeneration group**

**Tuesday 20th April 2021 Zoom meeting 6.00pm**

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| **Agenda items**  | **Notes**  | **Actions** |
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| **welcome** |  Cllr Heggie, Nicola Jenaaenga, Cllr McAuley, Tracy Clusker, Nikki Buckley, Louise Wilson, Karon, Ellie Anderson, Cllr Fitzpatrick, David Liddell, Joyce Robertson, Vicky, Lesley Keirnan (chair and notes) Ruth Hutchison (COWL), Ross Hutchison, Cllr Shemilt, Roz Nunn, Ruth Hood (adult learning), Helen Kelly  |  |
| 1. **Notes of previous meeting and matters arising**
 | The notes are a true reflectionNo matters arising not on the notes  | **To be noted**  |
| 1. **The findings – verification, priorities/developing the plan**
 | The group agreed it was a true reflection of the findings report and priority areas.This is a working document and will grow as we develop actions. The jamboard link will be available via the private messenger page for the group members and via email through services and organisations. It will not be available to the wider public. Please update with post-it notes at your leisure for actions to be looked at or ideas or with things that are happening now  | **Lesley/FB messenger page**  |
| 1. **rebranding**
 | Joyce gave an overview of the idea of rebranding the Regeneration plan/project to give it a local identity that the community can take ownership of- other areas that have done this include Craigshill with Transform CraigshillGDPR issues arising around this, main issue with the group being not constituted. Lesley has sent information out to the community members. CLD YS are providing template privacy policy agreements for us to work form to aid this to move along. Agreement reached that entries will come to the reg mail box with only the entrees name on it.Do we have any blurb on what the regeneration plan is about?It was agreed to hold a sub group meeting to look at constitutions and moving forward. Lesley also suggested inviting VSGWL for support. Joyce, Ellie and Karon to be involved | **Lesley/Gemma/Jill****Lesley/rebranding sub group** **Lesley/Joyce/Ellie/Karon** |
| 1. **litterpicking/flytipping, trollies dog fouling**
 | **P7s John Muir awards**– Louise shared some of the posters the P7 pupils have designed on the duck pond, nature, litter, dog fouling and community litter picks and about recruiting more volunteers. Louise is asking if the posters are scanned if they can be put up on the FB page and rotated regularly or as suggested used to promote the litter pick events which get posted up. Louise will take a photo of the posters being used for the pupils to see.Another suggestion is that the posters are on display on the Lanthorn windows- Louise to take photos of designs or scan them and send to Nikki and Karon. Lesley to share email addresses **Litterpicking** – Karon updated the group. To date there are up to 60 individual community litter picking champions, some undertaking picks individually and others on organised group pick, Karon now creating litterpicking events on the FB page. Picks have been supported by River Almond Action Group and WLLP. Dedridge Champion Litterpicking group are focusing on the area of Dedridge as the equipment has been supplied to support the Dedridge regeneration project and there is still much work to be done within the Dedridge Regeneration project. Lesley asked for the Stats on volunteering for Jan, Feb march for forthcoming LAC hrs for forthcoming LS LAC report. To include; undertaken, how many volunteers and how many bags approx. Suggestions include weighing a couple of bags gaining and average weight and recording the weight of litter the litter pickers have retrieved. Nicola and Karon to look at this. Karon to send the stats to Lesley **Dog fouling** – power washing stencils<https://i.pinimg.com/originals/75/d5/db/75d5db8f4b66df93ba1dff155f0a42f2.jpg> just a wee example. Lesley to email Solomon to see if this is a possibility for community to undertake and what requirements would we need **other Qs**- Can Solomon and his team supply signage that would be attached to lampposts to deter dog fouling? (do we/can we use this type of signage in West Lothian?)- Eddie has created maps of the community with potential locations of signage and stencilling to deter dog fouling he will share these for Solomon and his team to create a work plan. Can we ask Solomon to keep us updated and to contact Eddie /Karon and Joyce directly regarding this project?- Can local school children get involved in the stencilling to create a community project **Bins-** 3 copies of theBins findings report to be printed by Nikki. Eddie to pick up on Monday at the lanthorn between 10-12noon. Lesley to send report to Nikki.  | **Lesley/Nikki/Karon/Louise****To be noted****Karon/Nicola****Karon/Lesley****Nicola/Solomon/Lesley** **Cllr Heggie****Cllr Heggie****Cllr Heggie****Lesley/Nikki/Eddie**  |
| 1. **community growing/gardening/hedges etc**
 | Communities interest has grown in the garden since Lockdown, up until then CLD YS have been utilising the space for supporting and vocational training through the HYPE programme. Oatridge College and TCV have been working in the garden supporting HYPE. As a result of COVID-19 and the residents seeing progress in the garden the community are wanting to use the space. How do we envisage the space moving forward?Lesley has been in touch with CLD YS and been advised that educational programmes have been planned out within the Crofthead garden space for this forthcoming term. Lesley gave CLD YS the additional information of the other community gardens coming on stream and possibilities of spreading the HYPE programmes within all the gardens. Discussion arose to employ a YP through Kick start initiatives for example… support YP into employment. This is something that CLD YS could line manage – garden development workers/engagement worker? David intimated that they have 160 trees to be planted, also within Crofthead courtyard planning up the planters and painting the furniture looking for are looking for volunteers.David is looking at a funding application for a manager to co-ordinate the gardenDiscussion around a possible sub group to help move the garden forward?  The group are requesting 3 tonnes of soil for the raised bed outside the Nigel Rise health centre and plant wild flower seeds. Lesley to link with Becky to ascertain ownership of raised bed and who would maintain it? For info Any unused redundant gardening equipment would be appreciated at the garden The Wave pond re last email Lesley had been in touch with Livingston Round table – to follow upGroup commented how nice it was seeing all the hedges being trimmed  | **To be noted****Lesley/Ross/ Becky****Lesley/david/Eddie/Becky TCV & oatridge, CLD YS****Lesley/Becky** **Lesley**  |
| 1. **community council**
 | Eddie has received a reply from Mike regarding Community council and co-opting. Joyce and Suzanne have not had a reply to date. Lesley to send a further mail out to Mike. The group members recognise how busy Mike is  | **Lesley**  |
| 1. **facebook page and promotions**
 | The Fb page is going from strength to strength with over 3.1k followers. Credit to the admin team for keeping it flowing and interesting. Mixture of fun and banter and keeping the community spirt alive.**Employability** vacancy bulletin and employability training etc not recognising what it is. Lesley will change the format. Suggestions using SWAY. Lesley to look into this with A2E to ensure we maximise the FB page **sexual health** and YP the hatch and jpeg poster - completed**CowL** – event to be promoted info poster attached (see update below in AOB) **Speechcraft** next session dates to book follow the link <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/speech-craft-tickets-151472838337?utm_campaign=post_publish&utm_medium=email&utm_source=eventbrite&utm_content=shortLinkNewEmai>l | **To be noted****Lesley/Yvonne****FB admin team****FB Admin team**  |
| 1. **digital connectivity**
 |  Neil has undergone his initial digital champion training and is looking at undertaking some more training so he has some more tools available to support individuals and households. Once we have initial information from the individuals we can now start delivering some of the devices to the households. Dedridge Primary are sourcing larger families that may benefit from devices and or 24 months MIFI. Information on the training: <https://connecting.scot/digital-champions/resources/digital-inclusion-qualification>David and Nicola have limited availability presently but hoping to have more time later in the year.David also informed us that he is a digital champion with the Royal Navy veterans and gives iPad & SIM cards for those without broadband and devices so could also be included as a digital champion.  | **Eddie, Nicola, David**  |
| 1. **Volunteering recognition**
 | Award/recognition/certificate? ideas were generated within the groupSuggestions include;* Through volunteer week picking one person each day to highlight who has undertaken volunteering within the community
* Start with one person then that next person has to nominate someone else and let it develop la chain reaction( its grows organically) - the group seemed to prefer this idea – to discuss further at next meeting
 | **To be noted and for next meeting**  |
| 1. **The Hatch**
 | opening the Hatch @ Crofthead community Farm from Monday 19th April. The service will run every Monday 3-5 pm and will offer young people aged 13 + free condoms, take home pregnancy tests, STI testing kits, advice and signposting info. (Poster attached with the notes) all on FB asked if it can be highlighted every so often -suggested as a pinned post – FB admin team to look at this  | **FB admin team**  |
| 1. **Community food pantries**
 | lanthorn community food pantry is located in the Paraffin Lamp until the end of June from 12 noon, Monday and Wednesdays. FAMILY PANTRY BOOKINGS. Shopping slots for our pantries in [Kidzeco - Bathgate](https://www.facebook.com/Kidzeco-Bathgate-104246484801080/?__cft__%5b0%5d=AZVt_y4J4spFYiPsiz9wCa37aTkna76154uvoonHxqSDOX8JIxKaJ4-6m7I5pUwScWiilGA_BtDHTnV0dtblzJGdVcsMLfZEgnLSB_eYI0h3HzQvCsCjvrTdqbZ70rcoeumA4woPTWLW-7njSTula45G&__tn__=kK-R) You can sign up for a membership and book a shopping slot at [www.bookwhen.com/kidzeco](http://www.bookwhen.com/kidzeco?fbclid=IwAR1ubnZylnO4r6qFhqQbl3HzAuB2TvXPy37Ugdqzzvk4UMELCuWt2TDHK-A)Kidzeco community - We are delighted to be welcoming you back to our new and improved [Kidz n Kin . We have taken on board all your comments and are opening on Monday 26th April with an open play space with a variety of themed play pockets where you and your little one can build, construct, make and play with a variety of activities on offer.](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/) [Why not take a trip down Kidzeco Town, Go on a Bear Hunt in our Den, Collect a Bucket Full of Dinosaurs in our Land Before Time and let the little ones imaginations let them be who they want to be – a princess, a pirate, a firefighter, a gruffalo… all in our clean and welcoming environment.](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/)[For those of you who loved our Play Podz we have kept one just for you but this time with comfy sofas. Our Sofa pod is a contained play space which is designed with children under one in mind, including mini kitchen, floor play activities and baby chairs. If you have an older child we can offer older resources on request.](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/)[Here are just a few snippets of what we have in store. You can book your cafe and play or sofa pod at](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/) [[www.bookwhen.com/kidzeco](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/)](http://www.bookwhen.com/kidzeco?fbclid=IwAR0jCWtKELQ2lZ0U97wExAfqcF1LfhTIjJ5-on-V-RY6Em0u5HZzOmUiQOc)[.](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/) [[#communityfirstcommunityalways](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/)](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/communityfirstcommunityalways?__eep__=6&__cft__%5b0%5d=AZWyZfXK7_QupsIEAns787goJ42oOAEpjxinTXEAlMw60dwOIzElbG1JJ4wx2FbLAwAuDzsD6xt-rSljfwLNDRqU2z0hX2nGMyu0SlaxMT_z5aJyuWxG-88PbeH2uB9W-cEH7QgXQv3ziqo3Lc_6uqxl&__tn__=*NK-R)[[#playistheway](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/)](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/playistheway?__eep__=6&__cft__%5b0%5d=AZWyZfXK7_QupsIEAns787goJ42oOAEpjxinTXEAlMw60dwOIzElbG1JJ4wx2FbLAwAuDzsD6xt-rSljfwLNDRqU2z0hX2nGMyu0SlaxMT_z5aJyuWxG-88PbeH2uB9W-cEH7QgXQv3ziqo3Lc_6uqxl&__tn__=*NK-R)[[#onemoreweektogo](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/)](https://www.facebook.com/hashtag/onemoreweektogo?__eep__=6&__cft__%5b0%5d=AZWyZfXK7_QupsIEAns787goJ42oOAEpjxinTXEAlMw60dwOIzElbG1JJ4wx2FbLAwAuDzsD6xt-rSljfwLNDRqU2z0hX2nGMyu0SlaxMT_z5aJyuWxG-88PbeH2uB9W-cEH7QgXQv3ziqo3Lc_6uqxl&__tn__=*NK-R) [https://www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/](Kidz%20n%20Kin%20%20https%3A//www.facebook.com/kidzecointhecommunity/) |  |
| 1. **Bike lending library**
 | David has undertaken some research into the ground informant of the spar shop at Crofthead. Just now looking at all options, buying, leasing, asset transfer etcDavid has been out to look at various examples in Blackburn. Through the bike lending library volunteers that are chartered civil engineers have looked at the drainage, planning permissions project management etc and the whole concept is coming in at around 50K David to sent a prepared document to date for sharing bike lending library – David to send his utube video for sharing on the community FB pagethey have adapted bikes – wheelchair bikes etc can deliver bike ability. It would be good to promote this service which is right on the doorstep. Training - National cycling campaign has just started back up again  | **To be noted****David/FB admin team** |
| 1. **AOCB**
 | **Cowl** - poster for Learning Disability Week (attached with notes) social on Saturday 15 May. Please share with your contactsrecognising Learning Disability Week which is from 10 16 May and is all about relationships. During that week we’ll be posting on SM mainly around this topic and also adding an extra event on zoom on Saturday 15 May which will be a “Get Together” from 2pm – 3pm for anyone with a disability. People need to sign up by 7 May as we’ll be getting a pack of “goodies” and helpful information out to those who book to come.**Employability** -are producing their weekly vacancy bulletin which we are sharing on social media and through the emailing distribution list., During the pandemic A2E have been delivering one-to-one sessions. These have been going extremely well with A2E intimating that it is a productive way of working. Engaging with more clients.**Family Fund** is the UK’s largest charity providing grants for families raising disabled or seriously ill children and young people. Last year, we provided 92,585 grants or services worth over £32 million to families across the UK. Our purpose is to improve the lives of low-income families raising disabled or seriously ill children and young people.Our mission is to provide items and services to all low-income families in the UK raising disabled or seriously ill children, that they could not otherwise afford or access, and that help improve their quality of life, realise their rights, and remove some of the barriers they face.Our vision is that all families raising disabled or seriously ill children have the same choices, quality of life, opportunities and aspirations as other families.We provide grants for a wide range of items, such as washing machines, sensory toys, family breaks, bedding, tablets, furniture, outdoor play equipment, clothing and computers. It can be a struggle financially, emotionally and physically for families raising a disabled or seriously ill child, and these grants help break down many of the barriers families face, improving their quality of life and easing the additional daily pressures.Our ambition is to provide 150,000 grants and services to families across the UK by 2022. [Click here to read our full strategy.](https://www.familyfund.org.uk/our-strategy) This is the website through which folk can sign up for the Power Up programme through Family Fund. <https://www.familyfund.org.uk/power-up>You can click “Get Started Online” - there are bookable Zoom live training sessions and online on-demand materials too.**Taxi service** Eddie offers to support individuals with mobility issues to access services like the Food shop through the use of his taxi. Eddie has already bene intouch with Donna and Karen at the Lanthorn**St Ninians Primary School – building work**The tender for the school repairs phase 2 for St Ninians Primary school is underway. Work should be completed by Summer. **WLDAS** We provide therapeutic support to adults (over 16) affected by substance use across West Lothian. This is delivered as 1 to 1 support for over 16s using alcohol or drugs, Group (currently via Zoom) and 1 to 1 support for over 16s affected by another person’s drug or alcohol use, Therapeutic Group Work for service users in areas like Anxiety, Depression and Wellbeing (just started back via Zoom) and Education and Training to schools and organisations across West Lothian. We also work alongside Mental Health Advocacy and have a Service Users Advisory Group to ensure the voices of the community are heard and have a say in how we deliver our services. We have 2 services for young people (12 to 18 years), these are 1 to 1 support for those affected by drug and alcohol use, either their own or someone else and 1 to 1 support for those affected by sudden death. This can be from suicide, COVID-19, short unexpected illness or any death that has occurred suddenly. We can also support in some instances of complex grief and both services can provide consultation. Most recently we have been allocated some funding from Scottish Government to aid the prevention of drug related deaths. As a result, we are the Naloxone Champions for West Lothian and providing training on using Naloxone and also a train the trainer programme. Naloxone is a life-saving ipad reversal and if administered on suspicion of ipad overdose it brings the person round enough to allow time for emergency services to get to them and save their lives. We are offering this to anyone who may come in to contact with ipad users so if anyone wants more information or to arrange training they can contact Ozzy our Naloxone Champion direct by emailing Thomas.Oswald@wldas.org If anyone wants to enquire about any other services, be referred in to our services or consult on anything please contact the office on 01506 430225 or email enquiries@wldas.org and you will be directed to the most appropriate member of the team.  |  |
|  | **Tuesday 18th May** **6pm**Dedridge Regeneration group**Zoom** |  |