Locality Empowerment Groups (LEGs) 6-month Evaluation

Thank you for taking the time to complete the survey which aimed to evaluate the progress of the Locality Empowerment Groups. Your views and insight have been valuable to ensure we make changes that will have a positive impact on the members and the communities they represent.

You said the Locality Empowerment Groups are:

- ✓ Welcoming
- ✓ Well organised
- ✓ Have connected me to like-minded people
- ✓ An exciting opportunity to improve the health and wellbeing of communities in Aberdeen
- ✓ A good start but need to continue to have more community representation across Aberdeen City

You said the Locality Empowerment Groups should	We did
Have more networking opportunities	Offered an opportunity to share and exchange contact details with other locality members. If you would like to be connected please email saying what locality you are part of - LocalityPlanning@aberdeencity.gov.uk
Feed into Strategic Agendas	Members offered the opportunity to attend Strategic Planning Group (SPG) and represent LEGs. Priorities from locality planning sessions fed into refresh of Local Outcome Improvement Plan (LOIP).
Make a difference, identify gaps in services and impact change	Held sessions to share data and hear what LEG members identified as priorities in their communities and discuss ideas to tackle these. Data, community stories and professional stories captured to inform development of Locality Plans.
Have an online forum that can be accessed anytime	Created a Facebook group for LEG members to communicate and share information. Search "Locality Empowerment Groups (LEGs)" on Facebook and request to join!
Set their own agenda at meetings	Locality meetings will have an open forum so members can discuss the things that are important to them and their community.

Be mindful of people with complex needs (e.g. more visuals)	Phone calls for those who require assistance to complete surveys.
	Included more visuals in presentations.
	Send out any data/information prior to sessions to allow people the opportunity to read through in their own time.
	Digital support for individuals to enable them to connect online.
	Updated leaflet to encourage individuals to participate on behalf of family, friends and client groups where they may be unable to participate (e.g. support workers, unpaid carers, professionals working with vulnerable groups/minorities). It is our aim to ensure all voices of Aberdeen City can be heard.
Have more young people involved	This is something we recognise and are working with the youth council to ensure that their voice is heard.
	A session was facilitated with the youth council on the priorities for the locality plans and a survey was created (based on the citizen simulator) which went to all secondary schools. This feedback will inform the priorities within the 3 locality plans.
Be more accessibile to everyone	We are working with the Alliance who are creating a facilitation pack to enable staff or community members to have their own conversations with their teams or community groups to enable their voice to be heard.
Ensure meeting links are easily found	We will be sending calendar invites to make it easier for people to find the link.

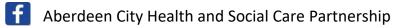
Your feedback has demonstrated a number of areas to improve. Here a number of actions we look to take forward to address these:

- Continue to encourage more community members to get involved.
- Continue to listen to your views and make improvements along the way.
- Seek out opportunities for members to feel confident in their role, e.g. an introduction to Community Planning Aberdeen.
- Feed your ideas into relevant strategic plans.
- Further develop the LEGs website to ensure that notes from the sessions can be easily accessed.
- Explore alternative methods for meeting when Coronavirus restrictions allow. Digital does not work for everyone.
- Provide opportunities for people to network and connect within localities and across the City.

Please remember to tell your friends, family, colleagues and fellow volunteers about the Locality Empowerment Groups and encourage them to join! Together we can work to improve the communities of Aberdeen.

Ways to keep in touch -







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