**Leeds Green Activity Provider Network**

Network Meeting at Living Potential Care Farm 27th April 2022

Present

John Preston The Conservation Volunteers (notes)

Rich Warren Running Seeds

Pete Tatham Hyde Park Source

Alex Burgin Groundwork

Tanya Bish Living Potential

Isabel Swift Lemon Balm

Sharon Bright Canal and Rivers Trust

Karl Witty Forum Central LCP

Adam Ogilvie Meanwood Valley Urban Farm

Camille Thomas Space2

Laura Harrison Leeds Mindfullness Coop

Apologies

Becky Mears Seasonwell

Adrian Curtis Groundwork

Mark Robinson Touchstone

Lucy Wheeler TCV

**Notes of the meeting**

A quick round of introductions and what different organisations do.

**The agenda followed the notes from the last meeting.**

**Strategic Representation**

Lucy did set up the WhatsApp group, **“I am going to a meeting”**

***Action, contact Lucy on*** ***L.Wheeler@tcv.org.uk*** ***if you want to join this.***

***Join Forum Central is you haven’t to keep up to date on most things health in Leeds see https://forumcentral.org.uk/***

Adrian wasn’t at the meeting to report on his input to the Nature Recovery Network or to the Local Nature Partnership.

John is now on the Healthy Population Board representing Forum Central and the third sector. This board which is responsible Health Services for everyone over 18 who is lucky not to be classed as end of life, frail, to long term conditions***.***

**Mapping**

Thanks to everyone who contributed information to enable LGAP to map the current activity of members. The map will be shared again shortly as Joe at TCV has corrected the gaps and also managed to display multiple pins from one postcode.

Karl shared some of the current work around data and maps within Leeds health and voluntary sector. Sadly currently some way from a really useful solution where one updating of information would cover the different needs to inform commissioners, recruit volunteers and obtain social prescribing referrals**.**

**Action** *John to share the updated link.*

**Training**

LGAP members are encouraged to share information on any training courses they are running and are able to offer places to other members (NB charging is OK)

Also to suggest any training currently not happening where collective provision might make it viable (and also an opportunity for staff to meet and network)

**Action**

John Set up a single email which links to a distribution list for LGAPN

All Send training offers to John to circulate, or sue the group email once set up.

**Evaluation**

There is some interest in sharing evaluation methods and good practice, it was suggested that the next network meeting could focus on this and it was agreed this would be combined with a session with Laura Harrison who is doing research on Making online evidence on Nature Based Interventions more accessible. John will see what has already been published on the National Academy for Social Prescribing.

To include goal based evaluation based on the five ways to wellbeing (Leon Balm) and learning from the Time to Shine project (Leeds Older People’s Forum)

**Actions**

*Laura to sent details of her session* The workshop involves thinking through a scenario in small groups about how we'd like to use research evidence in our programme development and the barriers we might experience. I hope it will be relevant and helpful for the network meeting discussing evaluation that follows.

*Camille to ask about availability of the roof terrace at the Old Fire Station Gipton for a Wednesday afternoon in late June (22nd or 29th)*

*All Any offers to work with John in planning the second half of the afternoon (evaluation sharing)*

**Links to Health structures.**

There is a real world (in London) and online conference next week on Green Social Prescribing

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/how-to-embed-and-scale-green-social-prescribing-tickets-290769137317>

There was a quick mention of the current round of Health Inequalities funding that is being allocated against a very tight timetable for spending in the current financial year.

SEE covering email for subsequent developments.

**Terms of Reference**

The draft Terms of Reference were approved. NB no-one spotted that we didn’t agree how a meeting would be quorate. Agreed to add Voluntary Action Leeds as an associate member.

**Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 22nd or 29th June at Old Fire Station Gipton 1-4.30 TBC**