



Gaunless Gateway Big Local Monthly Meeting

Date: Tuesday 28 June 2022 Time: 6:00 pm

Location: Auckland Youth and Community Centre



Present:

Decision Makers (DMs): Alan Anderson (AA), Ann Williams – Maughan (AWM), Rupert Wansbury (RW), Lynn Rielly (LR) Pauline Hunt (PH), Marion Hodgson (MH), and Grace Jayne (GJ).

In attendance: Susan Graydon (SG) Jeanette Harold (JH), Jo Grant (JG), Cllr Joanne Howey (JH), Cllr Cathy Hunt (CH), James Joice (JJ), Liz Fisher (LF), Alison Curry (AC), Teresa Lee (TL), and Sam Galilee (SaG)

1. Welcome and Introductions Alan Anderson welcomed everyone.

Apologies: Anne Ramshaw, Steve Robson, Maxine Hymer, Jane Crawford, Joanne Icton, Maxine Jordan, and Barbara Slasor

House Keeping / Health and Safety: Tanya Ornsby gave directives on both.

2. Declaration of Interest: No one in attendance declared a financial/ non-financial interest in any of the agenda items.

3. Community Voice: Education Development Trust on the Making a Difference employability program – James Joice delivered a verbal presentation. Key points discussed:

- unemployed or inactive people 18+ who want to work but, require some extra help to take steps into employment.
- his role supports the Bishop Auckland and surrounding areas, coaching people who want to learn how to job search, tailor CVs and cover letters and give them confidence walking into interviews, and more.
- each person's journey is different, so I offer free tailored 1-2-1 bespoke coaching. This includes workshops and signposting to other organisations and courses.
- If you would like more information, please visit [Home | Making a Difference](#).
- Or you can contact JJ directly on 0755115 7773 – jjoice@educationdevelopmenttrust.com –
- additional resources [Supporting you into employment - Education Development Trust](#)
- GGBL Partnership Support introductions have established a flexible base within the Baptist Church allowing for capacity to grow in a familiar location.
- Light touch training support is being received from James with his Level 4 in Advice and Guidance.

4. Minutes of the previous meeting: Matters arising / action points: No matters arising, accuracy agreed.

- **The Auckland Project** Liz Fisher gave a brief update from a meeting that had taken place earlier with Garfield Western where no firm conclusions were drawn regarding the proposed information requested that was required on behalf of Gaunless Gateway Big Local (GGBL) for a future potential strategic partnership on an ongoing project. LF requested on behalf of TAP that a meeting between herself as a TAP representative, Barbara, and other GGBL representatives, and other partners take place as soon as possible to discuss future plans.

Recommendation: AA recommended this goes ahead, decision-makers present agreed.

Action:	By whom:	Date to complete:
Discuss the role of the rep	JH	At the Induction/refresher
Who can access Leadership rollout	RW	Before the next FPMM
Send all resources supporting the North East Learning Cluster around the theme "Youth"	AC	Before the next FPMM
Invite Bridge Creative & Trades4Care to give an update at the Community Spot	SG	Before the next FPMM
Group tutoring costings alongside individual costings with Paul Tucker for Math's study support requested concerning bursary scheme.	LR	Before the next FPMM

5. Financial report Locally Trusted Organisation (LTO) Steve Robson (not in attendance)

finance summary circulated to the decision-makers before the meeting and AA received the bank statement, both available on request, healthy bank balance, and no significant change to report.

6. Local Trust Representative (Rep) Jeanette Harold

- [Make It Happen With Big Local](#) information brochures were handed out to decision-makers in attendance containing useful resources, JH drew attention to the 10 days funded LT national offers.
- **North East and Cumbria Big Local Learning Cluster** Saturday 16th July 2022 - 10.30 to 3.00. At Woodhouse Close Church Community Centre, Proudfoot Drive, Bishop Auckland, DL14 6PD Theme: Working with young people. A discussion developed around the ongoing decline in the statutory provision of youth services and the dependency on funded youth workers/ detached youth workers supported by families and volunteers.

7. Barbara Slasor and Susan Graydon: (BS not in attendance) SG gave a verbal update.

BS had taken 2 weeks of annual leave in this period and SG had taken 1 week's annual leave.

- **Bridge Creative** – Dorset Place both GGBL staff were excited to accompany Ben and some of the individuals who will be accessing the building to look at the progress to date, [Trades4Care](#) are currently bringing the building to life alongside the builders who are finishing the final fixes before the team can begin moving into their own space.
- **Community Practitioner's Network** – Peer Learning Circle (PLC) accredited course SG has finished her 6 months fully funded (LT) accredited course, this has been a valued resource to tap into and the transferable skills will benefit both personally and professionally.
- **Bishop Auckland Bowling Club** Volunteer Brokerage scheme support is ongoing with a new volunteer introduced and policies and procedures updated.

- **Bishop Auckland “Green Fair Day” planning** meetings, SG is attending in her capacity as Partnership Support Assistant. The event date is Saturday 10th September 2022 at Cockton Hill Methodist Church, from 10 am to 4 pm. This event aims to bring people in the communities together around the themes of living sustainably and caring for the earth, emphasizing that this is also connected with caring for ourselves and each other. GJ has been actively engaging with Cockton Hill Junior and infant school, encouraging the children to support a fun, interactive project that will be one of the many items on the agenda. The capacity for youth engagement could be grown as this event as it is envisioned to become an annual occurrence, allowing for replication across more of our schools in the GGBL partnership. Wear Rivers Trust and West Auck St Helen’s Railway group have agreed to support in partnership, SG introduced previously members from both who have the same objects, they have joined together on litter picking activities in St Helen Auckland and West Auckland and are keen to team up the established group which runs from the Baptist Church

8. Project updates (BS (not in attendance) as project lead / attending delivery partners)

- **Bursary** GJ gave an update on the initial Math's assessment which has taken place with Paul Tucker and the 2505 - Cadets first day has been completed, positive feedback to date.
- **Bridge Creatives** no update submitted.
- **Changing Relations** AC gave a verbal update on a domestic abuse awareness potential project that is currently at the planning stage, this will build on a previously successful delivered project. Here is a link to the website [Home - Changing Relations](#)
- **Creative Collective** no update submitted.

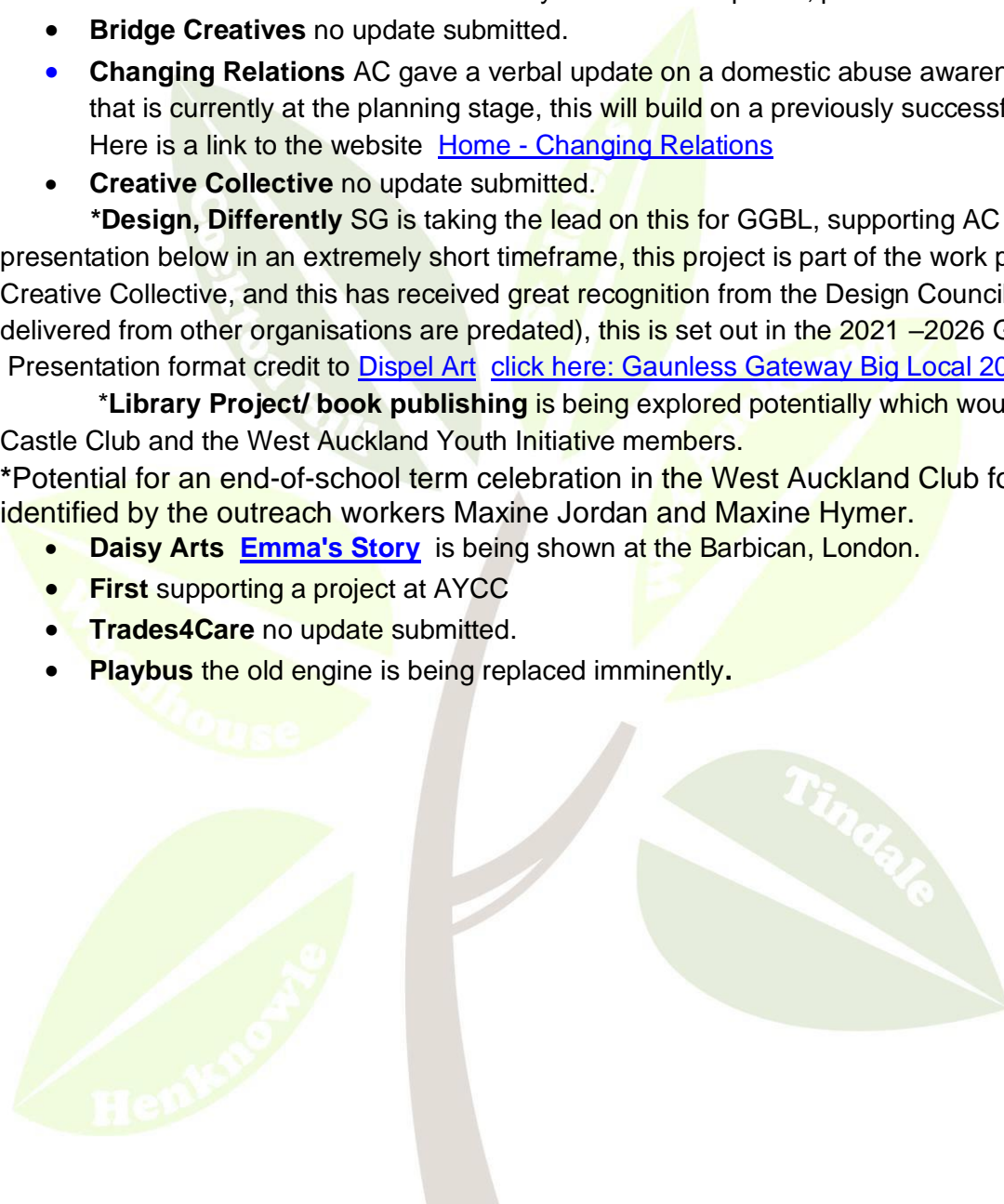
***Design, Differently** SG is taking the lead on this for GGBL, supporting AC with submitting the presentation below in an extremely short timeframe, this project is part of the work plan set aside for the Creative Collective, and this has received great recognition from the Design Council (presentations delivered from other organisations are predated), this is set out in the 2021 –2026 GGBL plan.

Presentation format credit to [Dispel Art](#) [click here: Gaunless Gateway Big Local 2022](#)

***Library Project/ book publishing** is being explored potentially which would involve Cardboard Castle Club and the West Auckland Youth Initiative members.

*Potential for an end-of-school term celebration in the West Auckland Club for the schools identified by the outreach workers Maxine Jordan and Maxine Hymer.

- **Daisy Arts** [Emma's Story](#) is being shown at the Barbican, London.
- **First** supporting a project at AYCC
- **Trades4Care** no update submitted.
- **Playbus** the old engine is being replaced imminently.



7. Any other business:

- **Active Families** program has just finished in Cockton Hill junior school and GJ wanted to raise awareness of what a positive effect it has had on her family unit as a whole, she would recommend this to other schools for the overall health and wellbeing improvements which have been vast.
- **Taking Action to become a Greener Voluntary Organisation** - July 5th, 2022 10:00 AM through 11:30 AM online event, this online workshop is aimed at trustees and staff from voluntary organisations across County Durham who want to do their bit to become 'greener.'
- **Full Partnership Monthly meeting, date and time for future as this decision is agreed** to accommodate their highest attendance, incorporating individual's personal circumstances. All decision-makers in attendance agreed with the meeting to remain on the fourth Tuesday of the month, this will be reviewed again periodically.
- **Shildon Alive** SG would like to acknowledge their partnership with Gaunless Gateway Big Local, they have delivered some wonderful buffets to our events lately that have been enabled through their part in the Food Program, this has allowed us to fund this valued asset that our partnership members tap into for numerous resources.

8. Date of next meeting Tuesday 26 July 2022

Future Full Partnership Meetings in 2022 will be kept to our usual 4th Tuesday of each month. Dates in the following year: Tuesday 23 August 2022, Tuesday 27, September 2022, Tuesday 25, October 2022, Tuesday 22 November 2022 and no December meeting.