Hello!

As you may know, The Garioch Partnership have been working towards an asset transfer of Market Place Primary School. We are now at the stage of gathering letters of support for this.

Our hopes are to keep the building in public use, as a hub for third sector, the community and small business start-ups in the middle of the town, not tucked out of the way at Thainstone, or Crichiebank. We'd keep it affordable and within reach of many individuals and groups.

In the short-term access to building and general facilities. In the future to develop affordable childcare to support people back into education, training and work, as well as pulling a wide variety of community and arts groups into one central location — and who knows — maybe even some tourist information on the wealth of activities that Inverurie and Garioch have to offer! As the facility develops so will the ideas with the engaged users of a truly community facility.

If we are successful, the partnership can continue to develop and grow, to offer our communities new and exciting opportunities to come together in affordable, accessible space – right in the centre of Inverurie.

I'm hoping you would consider supporting our request, and hopefully support us to keep Market Place School in community use!

We'd be grateful if you would also consider signing our online petition available at https://www.ipetitions.com/petition/market-place-school-as-a-3rd-sector-hub

Thanks in advance,

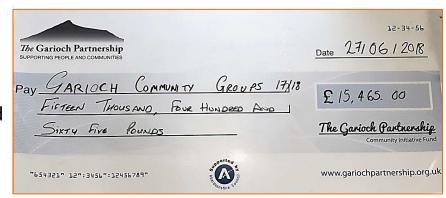
John Chapman (chairperson) and Dawn Brown (development worker)
The Garioch Partnership

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Annual General Meeting

Our AGM was held on Wednesday 27th June, upstairs in Fly Cup's new meeting room, and once again, enjoyed the fine pieces provided. A huge thank you to everyone who attended on such a bright sunny evening, especially when there was World Cup football on the television!

A number of attendees were representing groups who had received Community Initiative Grant funding during 2017/18 and we celebrated awarding a total of £15,465 to Garioch Community Groups.



Details of both the Chairperson's report and the Treasurer's Report can be found on our website, as can the revised constitution for The Garioch Partnership that was approved by members attending the meeting.

As our Chair, John Chapman, said, the original constitution had been created 6 years ago and was one of the first Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO) constitutions in Scotland. It was comprehensive at the time; SCIOs were new so they didn't go into any great depth.

We have applied to OSCR for a SCIO to allow the Community Asset Transfer (CAT) but it will also allow other things, so it will be necessary even if the CAT does not go ahead.

The new constitution will allow us to:

- Raise funds for ourselves;
- Charge for membership although John emphasised that we won't.
- Take in accountants as part of the Board
- Will allow us to co-opt representative of community councils to the Board, giving us greater partnerships with our communities;
- More clarity of what our trustees can or cannot do;
- Revises quorate figure from 20% currently to 10% under the new constitution.

Market Place Primary School

At present, various groups in Inverurie support their own communities and needs based on an existing hire/lease, disconnected from other likeminded activity.

activity.

With the current squeeze on Local Authority and



statutory funding to groups, our aspiration is that Market Place would be a specific facility for 3rd Sector Groups to utilise, at a reasonable cost, with any profits re-invested into the facility that would allow groups to develop their own strategy and sustainability with the support of TGP.

With all of this under one roof, it would remove any stigma around accessing services, particularly those targeted at more vulnerable people, such as mental health support, a domestic abuse project, and recovery projects. Entering the building would be non-identifying and safe.

The demand for community space in Inverurie and Garioch often outstrips availability and affordability. By keeping Market Place in community use, many of these challenges could be overcome by utilising the spaces for a variety of uses.

TGP wish to provide a community asset that will have far reaching benefits. Under the Community Empowerment Act (Scotland) 2015, communities are being given the tools to drive forward more ambitious and aspirational uses for community assets. We very much see ourselves as being a small part in the puzzle that makes Garioch such a rich and vibrant place to stay.

Essentially, this change of functionality will provide a much needed one-stop facility with several 3rd Sector activities on a single site. The space will allow further development of a wide range of activities and services from backroom services, community café and a meeting place for the whole community.

There will be an initial requirement for new members of paid staff creating new employment opportunities and several Community groups have already pledged a commitment to utilise the facility. The Garioch Partnership (TGP), have several facets to this project:

- a) To create a business trading arm for TGP to generate income
 - i. Current funding from Economic Development, Aberdeenshire Council may reduce or cease altogether.
 - ii. To develop and meet the needs of a growing area.
 - iii. To ensure the sustainability of the work by TGP currently and in the future.
- b) Create a Third Sector Hub to encompass as many voluntary organisations together, sharing resources, knowledge and capacity to the Garioch area.
- Encourage the further development of several partner organisations, supporting them to reach their potentials.
- d) Create a first point resilience and disaster management centre, utilising the skills of above identified organisations.
- e) Training facilities for voluntary organisation
- f) An information and contact point for volunteer groups to come together, sharing space, knowledge, information and ideas.
- g) Tourist information point
- h) Affordable space for community groups to use.
- i) Front office facilities for smaller volunteer groups e.g. a manned address for official mail to save it having to go to volunteers' homes, that would be a managed mailbox facility.
- j) Back office support for community groups through development of our current independent examination service to support community based activity, developing book-keeping and office support.
- k) Development of an affordable nursery provision to support people accessing work, training and employment locally.
- I) Business start-up facilities.
- m) A base for TGP to work from and be connected with support groups.
- n) Arts and performance space in a smaller venue than the Town Hall to allow a greater diversity of artistic events to happen.

How Will People Benefit?

- People having access to affordable and accessible facilities
- People and communities becoming healthier
- People being able to access local services
- People having better chances in life
- People have better volunteering opportunities
- People have better work opportunities
- Meeting active lifestyle needs

The outcomes of this project are:

- Creating better opportunities
- More sustainable services (and environment)
- Improved health and wellbeing
- Making communities safer, stronger and more vibrant

This project is closely aligned to Aberdeenshire Council's Visioning 2050 targets

A large number of other organisations and stakeholders are involved with this project, including: Aberdeenshire NE Foodbank; Aberdeenshire resilience group; BID Inverurie; GYMS / BUZZ; and Inverurie Panto

The Garioch Partnership require an asset transfer from Aberdeenshire Council for the proposed site at Market Place Primary School. After this has been effected, the group will raise the capital funds required to develop the site to meet the needs of the community groups, accessing a range of charitable trusts.

Development will commence when funding is secured and will be phased in on a priority basis, depending on the organisational needs of the tenants. It is envisaged that the structure of the School will be kept to what is currently provided.

Long term sustainability will be ensured via charges for lets of rooms, venue hire, assisted front and back office support facilities as well as income from donations and fundraising. All income generated will be used to cover core costs of the building and management of it, and any surplus reinvested back into the facility and into the aims and objectives TGP to benefit the communities of Garioch.

Aberdeenshire Regional Network Event

The SCDN Aberdeenshire Network (In Partnership with The Garioch Partnership) met in the new Fly Cup Meeting Room on Tuesday 8th May.



Supporting people who support communities in Scotland

Fiona Allan described how Fly Cup Catering came about, when participants and parents from the day centre back in 2000 came together and set up the charity with help and support from other board members. They currently support 37 trainees of all ages attending the centre from one to five days and have 18 staff members, 8 of whom are full time and a board made up of 8 local people.

They have been hiring the premises they are currently in for the last 6 years starting with the cafe downstairs and they have now converted the upstairs into offices and meeting rooms. They are currently seeking funding to enable them to buy the building next year.

Reid Hutchison, of Aberdeenshire Council, provided an input on the Aberdeenshire Social Enterprise Fund which has been set up to assist the development of social enterprises in Aberdeenshire.

The £200,000 fund will be open for applications until March 2019, and includes grants for new permanent employees, training, expert advice, and for feasibility studies into new income streams. There is also a grant for the establishment of new social enterprises, and for the establishment of new income streams for existing social enterprises. For more information on the fund please email econdev@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

Future Meetings

The SCDN Aberdeenshire Network is for anyone across Aberdeenshire who has an interest in community development and is a way of offering support, highlighting positive practice and working through any issues there may be. It is for the members to decide how the network is run and all findings will be fed back to the national SCDN committee. This invaluable feedback helps to set SCDN strategy and inform the feedback SCDN makes to relevant bodies on behalf of its members.

The date of the next meeting is **Wednesday 12th September at 7pm.** Please get in touch if you are interested in attending or would like more information.

Bede House Excavation, Bennachie

Over July, the Bailies of Bennachie are attempting to locate and explore the historically-attested 'Bede House' on the Pittodrie Estate. The work is being carried out with the kind permission of Macdonald Hotels who own the estate.

Bede houses were created to provide refuge for the old and infirm of a parish and date from medieval times. Few have been thoroughly investigated. They were patronised by local lairds; in this case, by the Erskines, who vacated the estate in the mid-19th-century after centuries of involvement in the area. A 'bedesman/bedeswoman' was one who prayed for the soul of his or her benefactor and the name comes from the Old English word 'biddan' - to pray.

Guided walks to Bede House Excavation

Free guided tours of the sites are now available so please just turn up in sensible footwear, no booking required. There is a short walk to the site. Each tour should last about one hour and 30 mins. Dogs are welcome if under control. There is a lot to see at the site!

19 July

Meet 11am at Rowantree Car Park, near Chapel of Garioch

24th July

Meet 11am outside Bennachie Visitor Centre

2nd August

Meet 11am outside Bennachie Visitor Centre

7th August

Meet 11am at Rowantree Car Park, near Chapel of Garioch



If you require more information please email info@bailiesofbennachie.co.uk

Garioch Sports Centre Goes Green

The Garioch Sports Centre is a highly valued and heavily used community facility for the sporting, recreational, health and wellbeing need of the town of Inverurie and its close rural settlements.



The Centre has an impressive list of activity programmes for all ages and abilities and with a footfall of more than 6,000 per week it is in the perfect position to deliver an educational project which promotes energy efficient measures, which go some way to highlighting the need for carbon reduction.



The lighting and draught proofing, having been in place for 20 years, was in serious need of upgrading. This was also apparent after working with Resource Efficient Scotland who highlighted the potential energy efficiencies to be made within the building if improvements were made.

A successful application to the Climate Challenge Fund in 2017 saw the centre awarded £86,300 to install energy efficient LED lighting, radiator reflector panels and draught proofing measures along with the aim to help the Garioch community reduce home energy use and learn more about the impacts of climate change.

We set up a partnership with Home Energy Scotland and the Energy Saving Trust to ensure the project received professional, practical advice and support as we looked to improve energy efficiency in the Centre, into the home and on the road.

This project was designed to engage with many facility users and residents, educating them to address energy issues.

This will impact positively on our environment at a time when we face uncertainties on Climate Change, making it clear that if steps are not taken to redress these issues it will without doubt affect the health and wellbeing of future generations.



On completion of these energy efficiency measures within the building a dramatic reduction has already been seen in the facilities utility spend. A second successful application saw us awarded £127,000 to make further improvements and continue our community engagement.

Through our networking within our community we are now looking to further engage with local groups with a view to giving advice on energy efficiency in community buildings/halls and the home, leading to lower energy bills.

With a proven track record which shows significant savings in energy costs to the main building at GSC, we are now in a great position to deliver a programme to advise groups and individuals highlighting the need for behaviour change which in turn will impact positively on their wellbeing and finances.

Project results

Project Annual Savings		2000	17/24	
Outcome		TCO2e	x Years	Lifetime TCO2e
Building Improvements	Electric	16.189	10	161.89
	Gas	1.197	10	11.97
Staff Readings	Electric	12.447	5	62.235
	Gas	12.6	5	63
Community Readings	Electric	89.654	5	448.27
	Gas	325.452	5	1627.26
Assumptions	Electric	51.588	5	257.94
	Gas	161.726	5	808.63
FuelGood Driving Potential Annual				
Savings	19 participants	10.46	5	53
Travel Diaries	12 participants	1.4	5	7
Project Totals	Actual	469.399		2434.625
	Including assumptions	682.713		3501.195

If you would like to become involved with our project or receive further information on what you can do to make savings, then please get in touch.

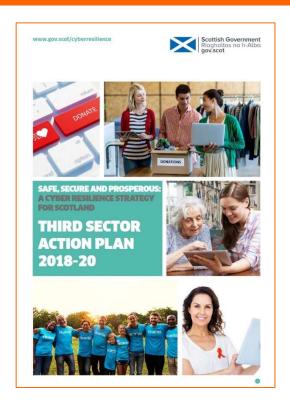
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Action on cyber resilience

Scotland's businesses and charities will be supported to put in place better protections against cyber attacks.

The private and third sector action plans on cyber resilience aim to increase awareness of cyber threats and to promote good practice to defend against them, with a strong focus on practical steps to support smaller organisations.

Half a million pounds will also be available from the autumn to help organisations achieve the National Cyber Security Centre's Cyber Essentials certification, which helps protect against the most common forms of internetborne cyber attacks.



https://news.gov.scot/news/action-on-cyber-resilience-1

Happy workers more likely to volunteer

Employees who are satisfied with their jobs are more likely to volunteer in the community than those who are unhappy at work, a new study from Middlesex University London and the London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) has found.

The study also finds that commuting time has a detrimental effect on volunteering. The findings show that those who commute for 50 minutes are 9 per cent less likely to volunteer than those who commute for 20 minutes.

The researchers suggest this could be due to employees seeing increased commuting time as stress-inducing and disruptive to the pattern of their day. Moreover, as long commuting means less time spent in the community, employees with long journeys to work may become less attached to their local area.

Commenting, Dr Jonathan Booth from LSE said: "Currently, many local government initiatives are focused on disseminating information about existing volunteering opportunities. But in an area with a high percent of employees with long commuting time more creative, tailored approaches to encourage volunteering are needed".

http://www.lse.ac.uk/News/Latest-news-from-LSE/2018/06-June-2018/Happy-workers-more-likely-to-volunteer-in-their-free-time

Size does matter when addressing complex social issues

The June Bulletin of the Scottish Community Re-Investment Trust links to two different pieces highlighting not only the importance of small, local charities, but also their significant role in communities.

Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales recently released the report 'The Value of Small'. This report looks at the impact small charities have on local communities not just socially, but also economically.

The other article "Are big charities no longer beautiful?" concludes that 'Government and funders need to recognise that small, local charities are our biggest asset and a catalyst for so much positive social change'..



The Lloyds report relates to charities in England and Wales, but the findings and calls for action are just as relevant to Scotland. It found that small charities play a 'distinct' role in communities and more needs to be done to support them.

The report found that what sets small and local charities apart from bigger charities are:

• Their ability to respond quickly to people in



- Their ability to respond quickly to people in crisis;
- The speed at which they can link people to other forms of support because of their knowledge of local networks and faster decision making due to flatter management structures;
- They operate more person-centred models, with an 'open door approach' and their staff and volunteers more closely reflect the diversity of their local communities;
- They act as the 'glue' that holds their communities together by making local connections and utilising their well-established and far-reaching networks to assist local people.

The report calls for an number of actions to support small charities.

https://www.scrt.scot/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/The-Value-of-Small-LLoyds-Foundation-2018.pdf?ct=t()&mc_cid=ef002d0478&mc_eid=c6b0389b6c

https://www.civilsociety.co.uk/voices/michael-o-toole-are-big-charities-no-longer-beautiful.html?ct=t()&mc_cid=ef002d0478&mc_eid=c6b0389b6c

GDPR



The General Data Protection Regulation came into effect in May so all groups should now be operating in compliance with the new regulations.

If you have any worries or concerns, we are still here to help – just get in touch.

Queen's Award for Voluntary Service

The Queen's Award for Voluntary
Service is the highest award given to
local volunteer groups across the UK to
recognise outstanding work done in
their own communities.



It was created in 2002 to celebrate the anniversary of The Queen's coronation. It is the MBE for volunteer groups.

Any group doing volunteer work that provides a social, economic or environmental service to the local community can be nominated for the award. Each group is assessed on the benefit it brings to the local community and its standing within that community. Find out more at https://qavs.direct.gov.uk/

Not getting our e-mails? Since Microsoft took over Hotmail they easily put addresses on a blacklist. If you have a problem, please register@gariochpartnership.org.uk as a trusted source.

In order to provide the best support to our member organisations, Dawn and Louise work flexible hours and regularly work away from the office.

We will do our best to return messages left on our answer machine as soon as we can, but we cannot guarantee an immediate response.

If you need a prompt reply, it may be better to drop us an e-mail:

Dawn – dawn@gariochpartnership.org.uk Louise – info@gariochpartnership.org.uk

"How to Have YOUR Voice Heard in YOUR Scottish Parliament"

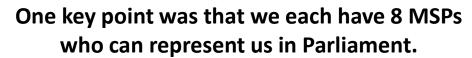
Paul Anderson, Outreach Manager at the Scottish Parliament joined us on Tuesday, 17th April to explain all about parliamentary process and how to engage effectively with MSPs.



He also took time to discuss individually

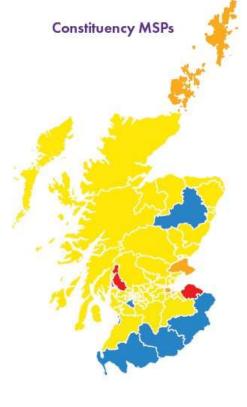
how our MSPs could help the groups we were representing. Due to the format of the day, we were limited in the numbers who could attend, however Paul is keen to return for more sessions in the future. If you are interested in attending, please let us know.

Those who attended this event were highly impressed with Paul's presentation, finding it entertaining and educational, providing a great deal of useful knowledge and giving a better understanding of how the Scottish Parliament works.









129 MSPs

8 Regions
Each elects 7 MSPs

73 Constituencies Each elects 1 MSP

Members of the Scottish Parliament

What they do:

- Nominate and elect the First Minister
- Make laws in relation to devolved matters
- Deal with matters and enquiries raised by constituents
- Scrutinise the Government (committee system)
- Debate reserved matters of relevance to Scotland

The Garioch area is split between two Constituency MSPs:

Aberdeenshire East

Gillian Martin





Aberdeenshire West

Alexander Burnett





There are also seven Regional MSPs representing North East Scotland:









Bill Bowman

Peter Chapman

Liam Kerr







Jenny Marra



Tom Mason



Mike Rumbles

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If you know of any groups who may be interested in joining The Garioch Partnership, please let us know and we'll pass on an application form.

Who'll be our 100th Member?

2018 will see the Garioch Partnership welcome our 100th member. Which group will it be?

If you know of any groups who may be interested in joining The Garioch Partnership, please let us know and we'll pass on an application form.



How can TGP help you?

We can support you with:

- Project planning
- Governance
- Sourcing funding
- Consulting & engagement
- Handling "red-tape"

We've also got a variety of equipment that groups can borrow for free, including a digital camera and data projector.

We can also provide Independent Examination of your charity accounts (for a small fee: £40 for members and £60 + mileage for non-members).

For more information on these, contact info@gariochpartnership.org.uk

The next edition of the Garioch Gazette, TGP's quarterly e-bulletin will be published in October. Any articles should be sent to info@gariochpartnership.org.uk by **Friday 5**th **October.**

This newsletter is circulated to a mailing list of approx. 200 "active citizens" who in turn are invited to circulate it to their personal and community networks - caring and sharing!

If there is anything else you would like to see in the newsletter, please let us know.

Community Initiative Grants

Many congratulations to the latest successful applicants to TGP's Community Initiative Grant scheme.

Organisation	Project	Amount awarded
Kintore Childminding Group	Child Speech and Language Development Training	£744.00
Kintore Scouts	Carry on Camping in Kintore	£1,000.00
Port Elphinstone Community House	New Shed	£600.00
SensationALL	SensationALL Resources	£1,000.00
Milton Meadows Resilient Community Group	Community Resilience Products	£1,000.00
Garidge Theatre	Garioch Theatre Festival	£540.00
Al Amal	Round the table	£535.00
Inverurie Music	Chamber Music Skills Training Day	£256.00



Our Grants are reviewed by a panel of independent volunteers. In 2017/18 they offered their opinions on 21 grant applications, totalling £15,465.

We have to say a huge 'Thank you' to them, for their guidance and support.

If you are interested in joining our Grant Review Panel, please get in touch: info@gariochpartnership.org.uk.

We regularly share links to funding sources, news and updates on our Facebook and Twitter pages. Follow us at:



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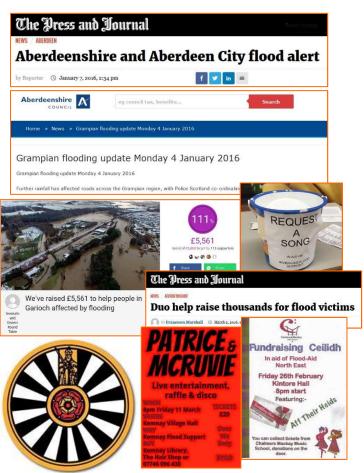
Funding

Community Initiative Grants

There's still money in the pot, although the pot is slightly smaller, as the funding for our Community Initiative Grants has been cut to £5,000 for 2018/19.

This does mean that we will not be able to fund as many projects this year — so if you have a project in mind - get your applications in soon!





Resilience / Flood Recovery

Following the flooding that hit the Garioch area in January 2016, the Inverurie Round Table set up a campaign to raise funds for those who had been affected.

Our local communities came together to organise a number of fundraising events and many generous donations were added to the Round Table's total.

We are delighted to say that Inverurie Round Table have asked The Garioch Partnership to administer those funds on their behalf.

If you have a project that you'd like funded, please get in touch. We could make a contribution of up to £750 (£1,000 for exceptional projects).

More details, and application forms, are available on our website – www.gariochpartnership.org.uk or e-mail info@gariochpartnership.org.uk. It's the same form for both funding pots – just tick the appropriate box:

This form can be used to apply for either the Community Initiative Grant Scheme or the Resilience / Flood Recovery Grant Fund. Please indicate which Fund you wish your application to be considered for:						
Community Initiative Grant	1_	Resilience / Flood Recovery Grant				

Funding opportunities

Woodward Charitable Trust – Grant application closing date 31st July 2018:

Funds are available for groups the following areas: Children and young people who are isolated, at risk of exclusion or involved in antisocial behaviour; Prisoners and ex-offenders. Projects that help the rehabilitation and resettlement of prisoners and/or ex-offenders are supported as well as requests to help prisoners' families; Disadvantaged women, covering refuges, domestic violence and parenting; Disability projects, which can include rehabilitation and training for people who are either physically disabled or learning disabled; Arts outreach work by local groups involving disadvantaged people; and Projects that promote integration and community cohesion amongst minority groups, including refugees and travellers. For more information, visit: http://woodwardcharitabletrust.org.uk/portfolio/about_us/

SCVO Digital Participation Charter Fund (formerly Challenge Fund): Providing small grants (typically up to £10,000) to help a range of organisations tackle poverty, social isolation and other forms of inequality in society through embedding basic digital skills development work in day-to-day activity with their service users. For more information, visit https://scvo.org.uk/digital/participation/charter-fund

Scottish Government and the Hunter Foundation - £7.5M Innovation Fund:

Now open for applications from communities, local charities, health boards and councils, the fund is part of the Tackling Child Poverty Delivery Plan. Applications will support new or existing projects that will have an impact on reducing child poverty by 2030. For more information, or to apply, visit http://www.thehunterfoundation.co.uk/

Carers Act Transformation Support (CATS): Funding of around £500,000 has been set aside by the Scottish Government to assist third sector organisations involved in the local implementation of the Carers (Scotland) Act 2016. See https://scvo.org/running-your-organisation/funding/carers-act-transformation-support-fund for more information.

Pounds for Purpose - £500 grants for young people aged 16-26: Funding, guidance and support to try out ideas that have a positive impact on people and the environment. For more information, visit http://www.firstport.org.uk/programmes/pounds-for-purpose

Funding opportunities

The Scottish Government's Climate Challenge Fund (CCF): Providing grants and support for community-led organisations to tackle climate change by running projects that reduce local carbon emissions. For more information, see https://www.keepscotlandbeautiful.org/ccf

The Jo Walters Trust: Grants of up to £2,000 will be made available for people or organisations with a strong link to Aberdeenshire for applications that will provide educational opportunities to people in the outdoors. For more information, visit http://www.jowalterstrust.org.uk/grant-awards/2018-grant-awards/236-apply-for-a-2018-aberdeenshire-grant.html

Action Earth Grants for 2018 are now available: Any group of volunteers can apply for Volunteering Matters Action Earth grants of between £50-250 to run environmental activities in Scotland's green spaces.

Local Nature Reserve (LNR) grants of up to £500 are also available for volunteer activities taking place on LNRs such as wildlife recording or protecting and enhancing biodiversity. Full information available online: https://volunteeringmatters.org.uk/project/action-earth/

EMI Music Sound Foundation – Instrument & Equipment Awards: The Foundation provides grants up to a total of £1,500 towards the purchase of musical instruments and/or equipment for individuals who are in full time education and Schools who require the equipment to improve their music department. We also fund courses and training opportunities for music teachers who work within schools. For more information, visit http://www.emimusicsoundfoundation.com/awards/.

The Garioch Partnership – Weekly Update

These are just a selection of the funding opportunities that have been featured in recent Weekly Updates. This weekly e-mail is sent to all members of The Garioch Partnership and also includes details of training courses, news and events.

To join The Garioch Partnership complete the form on our website - http://gariochpartnership.org.uk/membership-join/

Scottish Diaspora Tapestry

Scotland's global legacy as it has never been seen before: stories from 34 countries stitched into 305 embroidered panels!



Garioch Heritage Centre, Inverurie, AB51 4FY 11th July - 6th October 2018

> Open Tues-Sat 10am-4pm; £2 entry Group visits available on request

> Tuesday 17th July: special evening talk

www.scottishdiasporatapestry.org



Contact: info@gariochheritage.co.uk; 01467 621855



Fly Cup Catering presents

RACE NIGHT

To be held on Friday 27th July 2018

At the Drouthy Laird, Inverurie

From 7pm

Tickets are on sale from our Coffee Shop cost £10

Race Sponsorship- £100 per race Horses - £20 each

Please contact Jim at trainers@flycup.org or telephone 01467 625645 to organise your Sponsorship and buy your horses.

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ABERDEEN MELA ONE WORLD DAY DATE: SUN 29TH JULY 2018 TIME: 12PM - 7PM **VENUE: WESTBURN PARK**

FREE ENTRY #AberdeenMela18















Pop Up Café

Meet with friends

Everyone Welcome

Aberdeenshire

The Conversation Cate PECH Flat, Port Elphinstone, the first Thursday every month from 1pm – 3pm

5th July, 2nd August, 6th September, 4th October, 1st November & 6th December

All very welcome to drop in for Coffee, Cake and a chat.

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HOME-START GARIOCH

Castle Fraser

3 Course Fine Dining

Thursday 6th September 7-7.30pm Raffles to be won £40 per ticket

Bring your own bottle

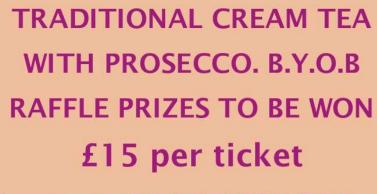


To purchase tickets please call 01467 624801

HOME-START GARIOCH FUNDRAISING EVENT



TIPSY TEA PARTY
VICTORIA HALL ELLON
Saturday 6th October
2.00—5 p.m.



Contact: 01467 624801 or kelly@homestartgarioch.org.uk for more details







Diary Dates

19th July – 7th August	Guided walks to Bede House Excavation*		
23 rd July – 5 th August	Dawn on leave		
Monday, 13 th August	The Garioch Partnership Board Meeting		
Monday, 10 th September	The Garioch Partnership Board Meeting		
Wednesday, 12 th September	SCDN Aberdeenshire Event*		
Monday, 8th October	The Garioch Partnership Board Meeting		
Friday, 30th November	SensationALL - St Andrews Day Ceilidh		

^{*} See information in this issue of the Garioch Gazette.

If you've got events coming up - let us know!

We'll add the details to the next Garioch Gazette as well as our weekly update e-mail. We'll also add them to the calendar on our website: gariochpartnership.org.uk/calendar/



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