

Fiona Cooper



On the 8th of October, Fiona lost her bravely fought battle, passing away peacefully at Roxburghe House.

Fiona leaves a massive gap behind in terms of all her community involvement, from Kintore Community Council, Action Kintore, the involvement with Kemnay Academy through her beloved daughter Kirsten, The North Aberdeenshire Foodbank, The Garioch Resilience

group, the Inverurie flood response and the Garioch Partnership to name but a few, as well as a long involvement with the Girl Guiding movement.

I am certain she had a special skill to get 27 hours in her day to fit it all in, always keeping time for Kirsten and Derek and her friends.

She was the calming harbour for many friends in times of their own troubles, and always gave the kindest advice, whilst instilling a sense of self-belief in all she touched.

The celebration of her life on 17th of October was exactly what she would have wanted – although knowing Fiona, perhaps she'd have added a little glass or 3 of champagne! Thainstone House Hotel was packed with people wishing to pay their respects to such an amazing lady. As requested by her, it was a bright affair, with people wearing a bright colour.

A touching, sometimes funny, sometimes poignant celebration of her life was given, sharing some of her favourite stories and music in an atmosphere of the deep love and affection held for her. There were tears and laughter, many cuddles and the kind of celebration she deserved.

Fiona's passing will leave many gaps, but her indomitable spirit and the abundance of enthusiasm and energy she gave everything she was involved in has left a fabulous legacy, she will be missed as a community activist, one of the first to volunteer, as a friend, as a wife and a mother.

She was certainly one of a kind, and in her passing, we all need to be a little more Fiona.

Dawn

To all of our supporters and member groups,

It is with much sadness that we have come to the end of the road for the Community Asset Transfer process for Market Place Primary School, and that Aberdeenshire Council, and the Scottish Government have decided that a staff car-park has greater Community benefit for Inverurie than our vision for a Third Sector Hub, this was the main premise on their decision.

In the appeal to Scottish Government, The Garioch Partnership had asked for the 3 pronged appeal, of written submission, site visit and a hearing. Sadly they chose not to hold the hearing, as it is our belief, that it would have given a much stronger picture of the need for this in the Garioch area. The Scottish Government response is now live on their website and available here for anyone to review - <https://www.gov.scot/publications/asset-transfer-requests-notification-of-appeal-decision-to-scottish-ministers-2/>

Aileen Campbell MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Communities and Local Government, states in her letter of 16th October 2019 “I appreciate this will be very disappointing news but I hope you are able to source an alternative solution for a third sector hub in the Inverurie area, and I understand from the report that Aberdeenshire Council has indicated their willingness to help you identify a suitable property.”

As of February 2019, Aberdeenshire Council had spoken of a possible alternative, but despite repeated requests for information, have given the Partnership no further possibilities despite assuring the DPEA reporter, and Scottish Government that they would help identify a suitable alternative. We will keep asking as it is still our belief, and one that many people have shared since the decision went live, that there is a need for this to happen.



As you are all aware, this had been a long process, taking up much time and energy of the board, and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank them for all their input throughout the process, and to all of our supporters along the way. It's not been an easy road, and being one of the first groups to appeal under the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015 has been a learning curve for all of us.

We are down but not out. We are disappointed it has ended this way but do let us know if you still believe a hub is important for Garioch, and we will continue to pursue other options, and try to bring this to fruition to support all third sector and community groups across Garioch.

John Chapman,
Chair

Dawn Brown,
Development Worker.

**The Garioch
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Special Guest

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by Thursday 21st November

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**The Garioch Partnership
Update**

Networking

Adult Learning Survey

The Adult Learning survey from the Scottish Government is now open and they would like your help to encourage adult learners to complete the survey.



They would like to invite adults in Scotland to complete the survey to tell us about where they learn, why they learn, when they learn and how their learning experience could be improved.

Access the Adult Learning survey via the following link:
<https://www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/AdultLearningSurvey2019/>

The survey is designed to capture the views of all adult learners but they are especially interested in hearing from those who have faced barriers whilst trying to access and progress through learning. They are also very interested in hearing from adults who are uncertain about their learning journey.

The survey is being conducted by the Scottish Government in partnership with Education Scotland and the CLD Standards Council. The information from the survey will be used to develop the Adult Learning Strategy for Scotland.

Please highlight this survey to your adult learners to help build the future strategy to meet their needs.

The survey is estimated to take 10 to 15 minutes to complete and will remain live until the end of November.

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Following the close of the Gordon Arts Forum, the Gordon Art Exhibition Committee was established as a separate organisation for the Garioch Arts.

With no funds, no constitution and no readiness for an art exhibition the question as to how would a handful arts enthusiastic people, interested and keen on maintaining a well established cultural event to continue for the people of the Garioch area.



“All for Art and Art for All”

To all involved, our task seemed enormous and formidable and as we set about making it happen it was not without its problems. After some very hard work and intense meetings we had a constitution, and some bodies but, no money and bank account.

Our mission was twofold, as a committee, to organise and provide an art event either equal to or of good standing that would increase public awareness, appreciation and recognition of the creative people in the Garioch area and their talent, its to the planning board.

After much consideration of the opportunity before us, to create something different and to encourage, and promote the cultural diversities within our area we decided to experiment by involving the local primary and secondary schools to take part and local artist to participate in a showcase event.

In March of 2018 our first year, it would all happened in the usual place, the Town Hall. We did ok but not brilliant, however, The Gordon Art Exhibition Committee had learned a lesson. Next year would be different.

Later in 2018 with plans to hold a second exhibition, Still with no definite financial backing, and only just opened a bank account we would get started, our thanks goes out to Margaret Jane Cardno of the Aberdeenshire Council Garioch Area Committee and Dawn Brown of the Garioch Partnership for their interest, support, and advice in helping us, (the Committee) to gain funding from the Aberdeenshire Garioch Area Committee.

Find out more at www.gordonartexhibition.org.uk
or e-mail gordonartexhibition@gmail.com.

Garioch Community Kitchen



The Garioch Community Kitchen have welcomed Mandy Dambruoso as their new Development Food Skills Tutor.

Mandy has many years experience in food skills work within Aberdeen city and is looking forward to working with the Garioch Community Kitchen to deliver food skills sessions.

If anyone would like to get in touch with Mandy to discuss future projects please email amandadambruoso@gmail.com.



Promotes and raises awareness of healthy eating messages through practical hands-on cookery sessions.

Scrutiny of NHS Grampian



How is NHS Grampian performing?

The Health and Sport Committee of the Scottish Parliament is about to undertake its scrutiny of NHS Grampian, and they've developed a focused digital platform to enable people to tell them their thoughts, insight and experience of NHS Grampian as service users.

The Committee members want to hear from people with experience of using local health services to find out:

- How well is NHS Grampian delivering health services to the people of its region?
- What are the challenges and how is NHS Grampian tackling them?
- How could services be developed to improve the health of local people?

Join in the discussion and tell us what you think. You have until **Friday 6 December** to get involved.

Join in at <https://scotparl.dialogue-app.com/how-is-nhs-grampian-performing>



Sunrise Partnership, a local charity providing free, confidential support to children and young people who have been affected by loss and bereavement, were delighted to win the best “Small Organisation of the Year” Award at the recent Celebrate Aberdeen Awards 2019.

Loss and bereavement can impact on children & young people both emotionally and physically, and our aim is to help them to deal with this in a healthy and positive way, by helping them understand what has happened and to find coping strategies that work for them.

Our support is tailored for each child and can be offered on a one-to-one or group basis. We do not operate a waiting list and children are seen very soon after referral. Support is not time limited and continues for as long as it is required.

Children can be seen in school, at home, or within a local community setting. We provide support to children and young people up to age 18 across the whole of Aberdeenshire as well as Aberdeen city.

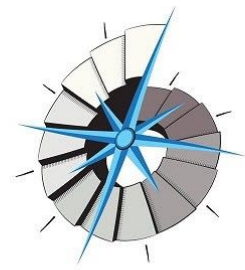
Some of those who have benefitted from our service have told us:

“I didn’t think I would ever be able to talk openly to anyone about my grief. It just seemed far too difficult and felt easier to hide it. I did feel quite nervous when I first started getting support from Sunrise and I wasn’t sure that it was for me. Now I so look forward to meeting up with my support worker and talking about my mum and dad. She doesn’t push me to say or do anything, she’s just there to listen when I do want to talk. I’ve made some really lovely craft things to keep, in memory of my parents. The Grief Journal has been by far the best thing to help me speak about my grief and my feelings. I will always miss my mum and dad, but I am learning to cope with things better now and I can see a future for myself”.

“Thanks so much for the support you have given to my children. It’s such a relief and lovely to see them getting back to their normal selves again and they’re able to talk about their Grandad now without shutting down. Thanks for everything”

For further information or to receive support, please contact Sandra Baxter, Area Manager – Aberdeenshire. Tel: 07539 186 669. Email: shire@sunrisepartnership.org

Destiny Partnership is a newly established charitable organisation, set up to operate multiple social enterprises and charitable educational businesses, with an aim on changing how education is delivered.



**DESTINY
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one more day, one more destiny

Founded by Scott Russell and Jessica Young, with offices in Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire, Destiny delivers their free services across Scotland with their volunteers. They also offer commercial training courses that help raise funds, these are offered with a national price match promise and a unique 5x5 deal created for larger organisations. Anyone engaging Destiny for training services not only benefit from the best prices in Scotland, and their 5x5 deal, but also the 1% deal they have. This works by destiny donating 1% of annual profit from each client to a community cause of the clients choice. So if there are for example 5 clients, each client will be able to choice a community cause, and 1% of whatever they have paid destiny, will be donated. So by using Destiny, there are also helping the wider communities.

Destiny are working hard on registering as a formal charity and an accredited awarding body to deliver qualifications.

Currently Destiny operates 2 social non profit enterprises:



Young Life Savers Scotland

Young Life savers is Destiny Partnerships first official social enterprise, operating the Heroes of Tomorrow program and offering free bespoke first aid training to children across Scotland.

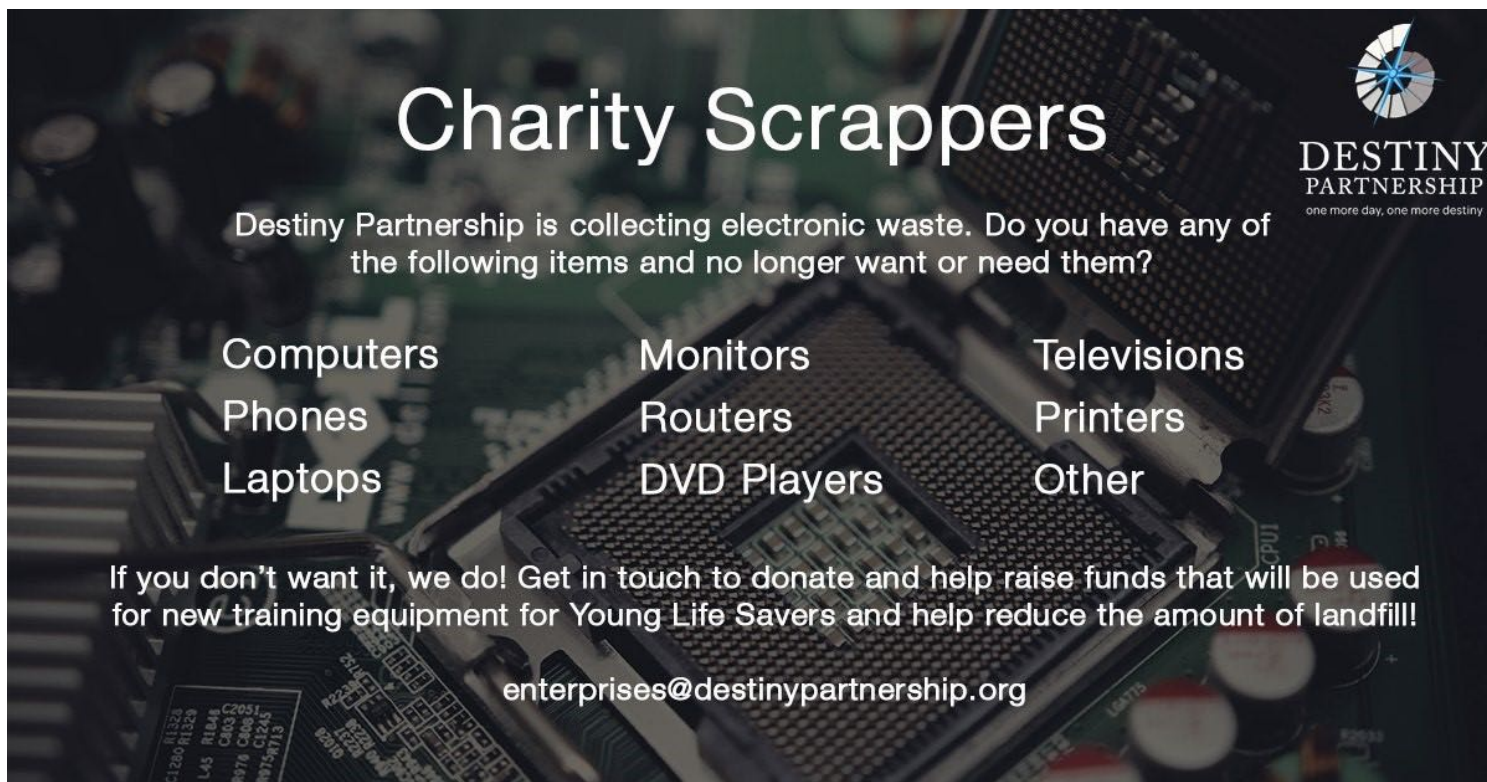
Currently nearing 500 children trained. At the beginning of 2019, we began delivering free Paediatric qualifications to new parents, attempting to work in partnership with Health and Social partnerships across Scotland. We were the first to start delivering free first aid training and since then, others have started their own businesses teaching first aid to children.

Charity Scrappers

Charity scrappers was born from our recycling efforts during recycling week 2019.

We collected e-waste (WEEE). Over 100kg of computers and other broken or unwanted electrical items collected, all broken down and every component correctly recycled and zero landfill. Funds from selling on parts for recycling raised near £300.

Due to it being so successful and our volunteers enjoying it, we decided it would be our second social enterprise. It has allowed fathers to work with their children, using tools and educating them on how machines and items work and are constructed, environment and educate them on recycling. It has enabled elderly volunteers to work with their hands and keep themselves occupied. Most importantly, zero landfill.



Charity Scrappers

Destiny Partnership is collecting electronic waste. Do you have any of the following items and no longer want or need them?

Computers	Monitors	Televisions
Phones	Routers	Printers
Laptops	DVD Players	Other

If you don't want it, we do! Get in touch to donate and help raise funds that will be used for new training equipment for Young Life Savers and help reduce the amount of landfill!

enterprises@destinypartnership.org

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RGU Start up Accelerator Program

Destiny is the first third sector organisation to come from the RGU Start

up Accelerator Program, hosted by RGU and funded by Ian Wood. It is designed to give budding entrepreneurs and start ups a foothold in their respective markets and provide funding and mentorship on their journeys.



Future Plans

At this time, Destiny is in the process of naming the 1st 3 charitable companies it will be operating to deliver qualifications and get the next generation into work.



Each will be unique in its own way, operate commercially, have staff and students, delivery service and qualifications but more importantly, it will allow those gaining qualifications to also gain experience from day one, earn a wage while learning, beginning networking themselves from the very beginning rather than waiting to graduate and become qualified, and allow single parents the opportunity to get back into work either by providing childcare and flexible working times.

The 1st of these enterprises shall be a training café, deliver hospitality qualifications as well as management and leadership qualifications. It will allow individuals to work on personal development, confidence building, customer service skills and more.

2nd will be a motor garage. This will be operating as a charity garage. Allowing student to work on individual projects as well as customer vehicles.

3rd, and the biggest planned, a working care home with attached nursery, that will also operate as a training collage for healthcare and nurse students. Doctors will also benefit from being able to train at this establishment.

Working with RGU events, Destiny is in the process of planning their event calendar for 2020 as well as their fundraisers and crowdfunds designed to get these enterprises off the ground. Details will be posted on their social media pages (Facebook , Instagram and twitter) and their website: www.destinypartnership.org

If you wish to help destiny in their efforts, feel free to contact them for the provision of training, donate your unwanted or broken electrical items to them, or arrange a training session for your children or youth group.

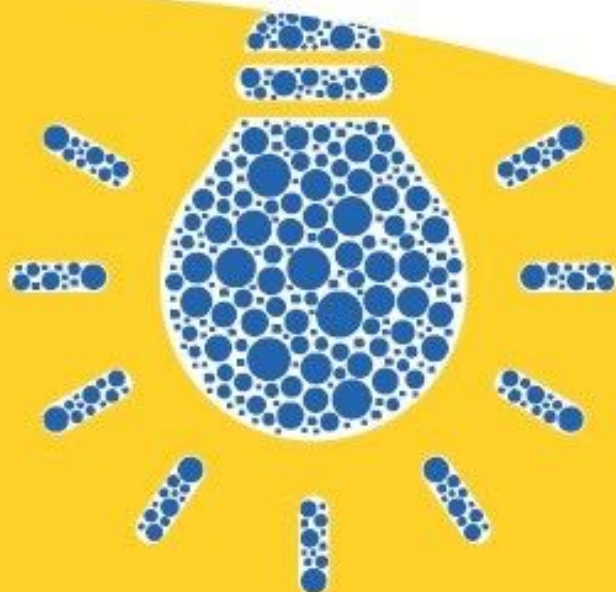
To join them in their fund raising efforts - request a donation jar, simply send them a message.

South West Aberdeenshire CAB, Westhill

Appointments in Westhill, Banchory & Aboyne
Telephone Westhill: 01224 747714



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A warm welcome to our latest members:

Aberdeenshire Saxophone Orchestra and 1st Inverurie Boys Brigade

1st Stop Toddler Group	Garioch Jazz Club	Jog Scotland Westhill	Kemnay Primary School PTA	Rotary Club of Inverurie	
Garioch Community Sports Hub	Friends of Garlogie Day Centre		Insch Connection Museum	St Anne's Episcopal Church	
Inschy Winchy Spiders	1 st Inverurie Boys Brigade	Insch School Parent Council	Smile Scotland		Royal Voluntary Service
Action Kintore Ltd	Steps into Wellness	Spectrum Singers	Ury Riverside Park	Kembhill Park Flood Group	Home-Start Garioch
Kintore & District Community Council	St Lawrence Hall, Old Rayne		RSPB Kemnay Wildlife Explorers	Gordon Riding for the Disabled Association	
Al Amal	GATE	Kiddiwinks	Port Toddlers	ICAN	SensationALL
Garioch Community Kitchen	Kinellar Community Association	Garioch Women for Change	Inverurie Angling Association	Garioch Youth Musical Society	Inverurie Community Council
Diamonds Trampoline & DMT Club	Westhill & Elrick Community Council	Echt & Skene Community Council	Port Elphinstone Community House	Aberdeenshire Saxophone Orchestra	
Central Aberdeenshire Federation of Halls		Hatton of Fintray Hall & Community Association		Kemnay Breakfast and After School Club	
Colony Park Football Club	Inspiring Insch	Westhill Men's Shed	Garidge Theatre	Insch School PTA	Scout Hall Playgroup
Kemnay Monday Club	Computers and Integration	Milne Hall, Kirkton of Skene	Business Matters Aberdeen	Kellands School Parent Council	
Gordon Dementia Services	Newmachar Community Council	Learning Disability Group of Aberdeen City and Aberdeenshire		Pitscurry Environmental Project	Kemnay Community Bee Group
Bailies of Bennachie	Inverurie Out of School Club	The Philosophy Café	Newmachar United FC	Foos Yer Doos Sing Song Club	
Bennachie Community Council	Inverurie & District Men's Shed		Lawsondale Sports Centre Trust	Southwest Aberdeenshire CAB	
Logie Durno Hall Committee	St Andrews Parish Church	Garioch Heritage Society	Bennachie Leisure Centre	Garioch Indoor Bowling Club	
Blackburn & District Rotary Club	Inverurie and District Stroke Club		Kingseat Community Association	Inverurie Academy Parent Council	
Bogbeth Pavilion	Inverurie Events	Greener Kemnay	Garioch Arts Group	Westhill Golf Club	Fetternear Hall
Westhill Community Church	Oyne Community Association		Kemnay Community Council	Wartle Community Association	
Alehousewells Primary School Parent Council	Friends of Insch Hospital and Community	Westdyke Community Group	Premnay Hall & Community Association	Port Elphinstone School Parent Council	
Cluny, Midmar & Monymusk Community Council	Westhill & District Community Sport & Leisure Hub		Newmachar Community Centre Association	Kemnay Village Hall Management Committee	
Fly Cup Catering Ltd	Girl Guiding Gordon	Inverurie Hockey Club	Newmachar Playgroup	Grampian Opportunities	Echt School PTCA
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How can TGP help you?

We can support you with:

- * Project planning
- * Governance
- * Sourcing funding
- * Consulting & engaging with your community
- * Handling “red-tape”



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

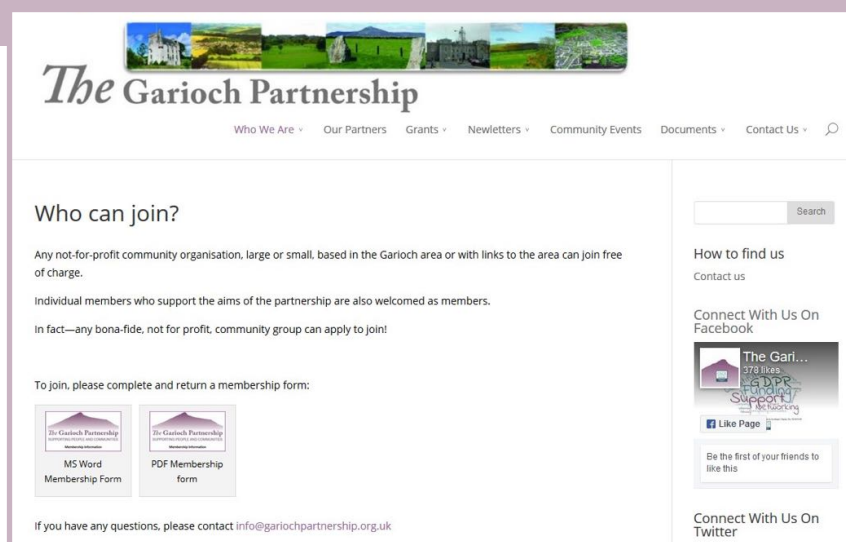
We can also provide Independent Examination of your charity accounts (for a small fee: £40 for members and £60 + mileage for non-members).

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

Who can join?

Any not-for-profit community organisation, large or small, based in the Garioch area or with links to the area can join free of charge.

Individual members who support the aims of the partnership are also welcomed as members.



In fact—any bona-fide, not for profit, community group can apply to join!

To join, complete and return our membership form - you can find it on our website: <http://gariochpartnership.org.uk/membership-join/> - or e-mail info@gariochpartnership.org.uk and we'll send one out to you.

Funding Report

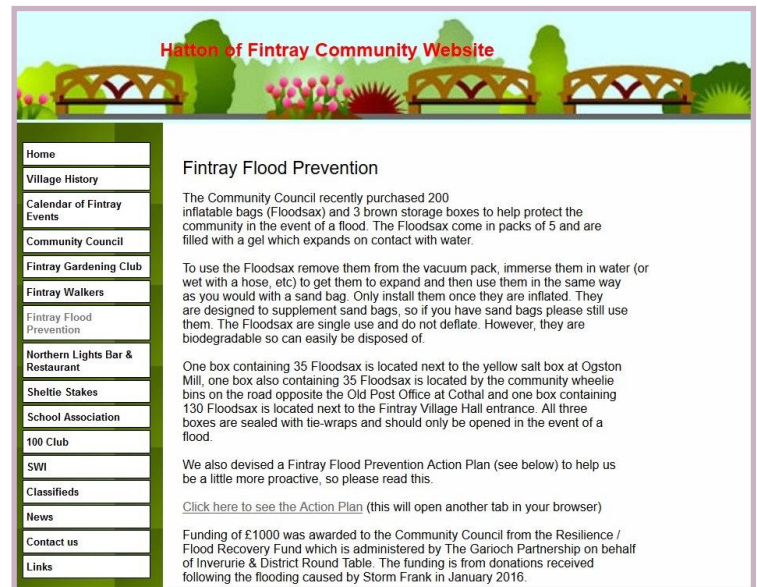
Fintray Community Council were awarded £1,000 from the Resilience Fund.

The Community Council purchased 200 inflatable bags (Floodsax) and 3 brown storage boxes to help protect the community in the event of a flood.

The Floodsax come in packs of 5 and are filled with a gel which expands on contact with water. The Floodsax are single use and do not deflate. However, they are biodegradable so can easily be disposed of.

They have also devised a Fintray Flood Prevention Action Plan to help them be a little more proactive.

The Fintray Flood Prevention Action Plan is available on the Hatton of Fintray Community Website, at www.fintray.btck.co.uk/FintrayFloodPrevention



Resilience Funding

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 that Inverurie Round Table have asked us 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.

Full guidance and application forms are available on our website – www.gariochpartnership.org.uk or e-mail info@gariochpartnership.org.uk.



Community Initiative Grants

Many congratulations to the latest successful applicants.

Organisation	Project	Awarded
Inverurie Music	Brass players workshop	£250.00
Westhill Scout Group	Equipment - Tent requirements	£900.00
Aberdeenshire Saxophone Orchestra	Aberdeenshire Saxophone Orchestra	£1,000.00
North East Wellbeing	North East Wellbeing	£1,000.00
Garidge Theatre	Garioch Theatre Festival – technical training	£500.00

Grant updates

The Westhill Scout Group used a Community Initiative Grant of £1,000 to purchase canvas fire/cooking shelters as well as a patrol tent and groundsheet.

“The Scout Group has always supported camping by our sections and now Beavers and Cubs, as well as Scouts can go camping.



With Scouting being ever popular - and our activities providing #SkillsForLife, it is good to know our work is appreciated by Trusts and Partnerships.

The provided grant is being well used! Thank you.”



Kinellar Stars were awarded £750 from the Community Initiative Grant Fund to enable us to update and renew our toys.

Amongst the items purchased were

- Arts and Crafts supplies (which are continuously in use)
- A range of Orchard Games Number counting games
- Hand puppets and animals and a stand
- Building Bricks
- Threading set

“By allowing us to purchase the additional educational toys this helps with the children's emerging literacy and numeracy skills.

The arts and crafts helps develop the children's creativity and consolidate fine motor skills.

Each toy is very much well used and loved by the children at Kinellar stars. “



Kemnay Community Bee Group were awarded £750 from the Community Initiative Grant Fund as a contribution towards the purchase of a replacement apiary cabin at the Dalmadilly Apiary in Kemnay.



“Having established that the existing portacabin, originally donated by Breedons Quarries, was beyond economic repair, a good quality used steel portacabin with external steel window shutters and a stout lockable door was purchased from Nixons of Kintore.

Nixons kindly helped by holding the cabin whilst the group secured the full funding; ensuring that all the electrics were up to scratch and PAT tested, rearranging the internal layout to suit the Club’s requirements and providing free delivery, all of which was much appreciated.

Since then the club has set to with a will, scrubbed and polished the interior, rearranged the internal fixtures and then chipped, sanded and scraped the steel cabin and repainted it with two coats of steel primer and two coats of forest green topcoat with paints generously donated and mixed by Sandy Innes (Painter and Decorator) of Keig.

The cabin was required to blend into the scenery as much as possible.

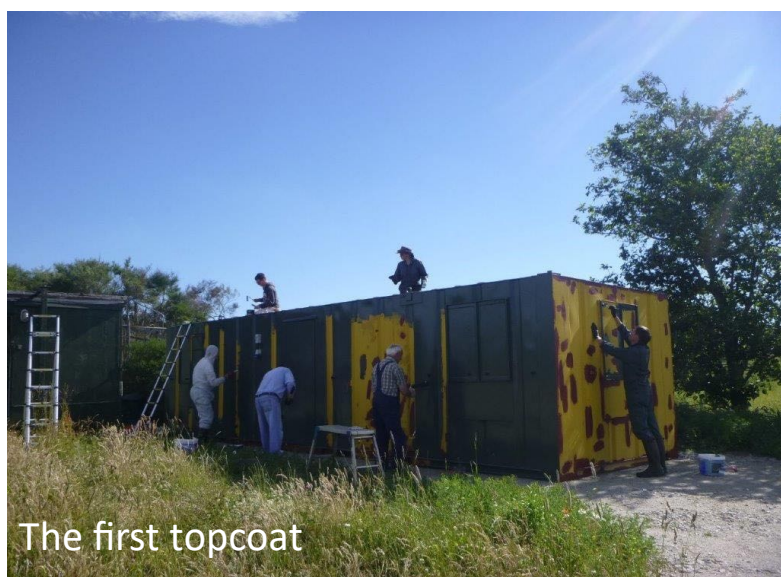




Old and new

The Club has also demolished the old cabin and cleared the ground, again with the club members providing the manpower and tools.

One of the positive aspects of the project has been the way in which the project has engendered a team spirit as exemplified in the way in which club members volunteered their services in the labour-intensive tasks of ground work, painting, repairs and demolition work etc. “



The first topcoat



The first coat completed



Demolition of the old cabin



**Kemnay Community
Bee Group**

To find out more about Kemnay Community Bee Group, visit their website -

**<http://kemnaybees.org/> - or their Facebook page -
www.facebook.com/KemnayCommunityBeeGroup/**

MAGIC LITTLE GRANTS

Grants of £500 for charities and community groups delivering sports and physical activities.

Successful projects will support and inspire people to participate in sports or exercise with the primary aim of improving the physical health of participants.

The closing date for applications is midnight on **30th November 2019**.

Find out more at <https://localgiving.org/magic-little-grants/>



Investment managers

Baillie Gifford Community Awards Programme

A grants programme aimed at supporting grass roots community organisations across the whole of Scotland, which will consider grants of up to £2,000 to projects which fit at least one of identified priorities.

The final deadline for this year is **2nd December 2019**, for projects beginning in February 2020.

For more information, visit <https://www.foundationscotland.org.uk/programmes/baillie-gifford-community-awards/>.

ABERDEENSHIRE
SPORTS COUNCIL



Offering various small grants (usually up to £250 or £500) for the cost of equipment, events, development, club start-ups or travel.

Find out more at http://absportco.org.uk/grants_available.php.



The Garioch Partnership Fortnightly Update

These are just a selection of the funding opportunities that have been featured in recent Updates.

This fortnightly 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 Mental Health First Aid: Young People

Tuesday 19th November 2019

Tesco Community Rm, Inverurie



For those working/support or volunteering with 9 – 17 year olds, this is an evidence learning course for adults to provide initial support; in a crisis and non-crisis situation.

This course does not train you to become a counsellor or mental health professional. It is designed to teach you to better understand mental health and how it affects young people, as well as learn mental health first aid skills.

The course also aims to show how mental health first aid can be applied in a crisis situation involving a range of common mental health problems, such as depression and anxiety, eating disorders, self-harm, suicide and substance misuse. This 14-hour training course is designed to increase understanding of mental health and how it affects young people.

For more information, visit <https://www.thespark.org.uk/professionals/smhfa-yp/>

SCDN

Scottish Community Development Network

SCDN Aberdeenshire Network Meeting
in partnership with
The Garioch Partnership

1-3pm, Monday 16th December

Dee Room, Woodhill House Annex,
Westburn Road, Aberdeen, AB16 5GB

Register online at [https://
form.jotform.com/92682221956968](https://form.jotform.com/92682221956968)

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Course costs £60 per person

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Day

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YOUR
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Love
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25TH DECEMBER 2019
Inverurie Town Hall
FROM 12.30PM TO 3.30PM

We'll celebrate together, have Christmas dinner with all the trimmings (vegetarian option available) and enjoy some good company. There will be entertainment, games and a small gift for everyone.

Sadly, not all of us are fortunate to have family and friends around us Christmas, or it may be that you can't afford the cost of it all for one reason or another? Whatever the reason, young or elderly, a family or single, it's not a time to be alone...

SO, why not join us for lunch.

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Murder Mystery Dinner

Saturday 23rd November.

Dinner starts at 7pm

Disco till 1pm

Holiday Inn Westhill

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At Garioch Community Kitchen
Wyness Hall, Jackson Street, Inverurie
Tel: 07729 297892



FRIDAY NIGHT DISCO

Fund Raising Disco for GO Dynamix

Friday 22nd November 7:00-11:00

At Grampian Opportunities,
54 West High Street, Inverurie,
AB51 3QR. Tel 01467 629675

£5 per ticket to include first drink

Find out more at
[www.facebook.com/
GoDynamixInverurie/](https://www.facebook.com/GoDynamixInverurie/)



SensationALL Christmas Fayre

11am - 3pm on Saturday 7th

The Old Schoolhouse, Westhill

Find out more at www.facebook.com/SensationALL.org/

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SATURDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2019



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£5 per ticket
Includes a glass of fizz!
cocktails supplied by Kemnay Golfclub
Saturday 23rd November
Kemnay Village Hall, 7-10pm



INVERURIE
& DISTRICT
MEN'S
SHED

LISTEN UP MEN!!

Feeling lonely or in need of having some fun?

Come along to the Inverurie Men's Shed to get involved in new challenges and stimulating activities

MEMBERSHIP IS FREE!!

UNIT 19, HARLAW INDUSTRIAL ESTATE
HARLAW WAY AB51 5SG

MONDAYS AND THURSDAYS 10.00am till 4.00pm

Inverurie & District Men's Shed is a registered Charity SCIO number SC 044965

www.inveuriemensshed.co.uk



Monymusk

Christmas

Craft Fair
and

Liz's soup & homebakes

in

Monymusk Village Hall

on

24th November

10.00am - 3.00pm



See you There!!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

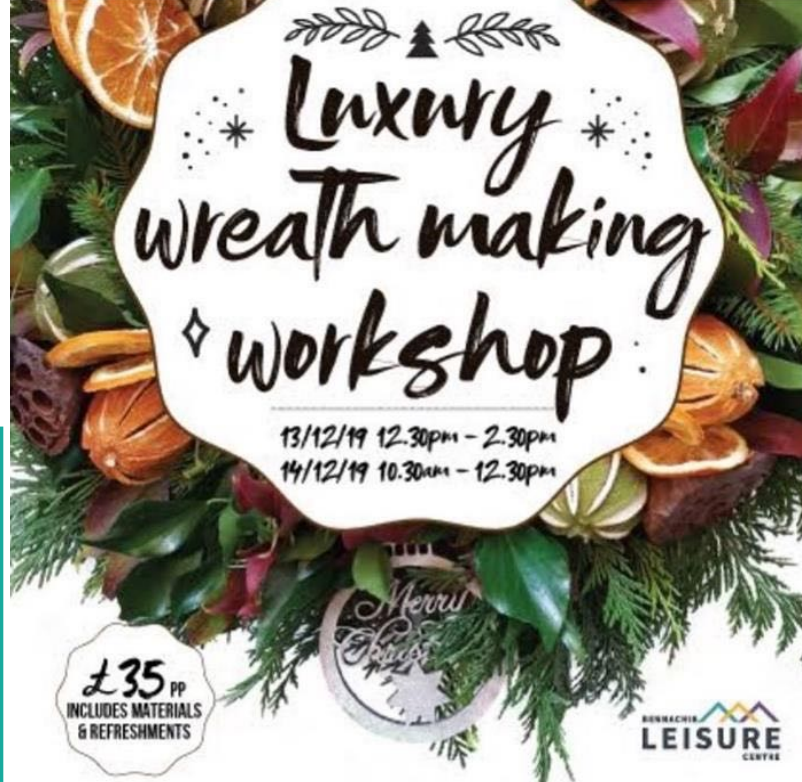
Tuesday 26th November 2019
7pm Bennachie Leisure Centre

What's on

Find out more at
www.facebook.com/BLCInsch/

Café

10am to 2pm, Monday & Wednesday
Serving a light breakfast then delicious soups, scones, cakes and tray bakes.



Kinellar Community Hall

15 Years!

Saturday 30th November 2019

Christmas Fayre - 11am - 3pm

Come along and meet Santa, look round the stalls, have some mulled wine & there will also be inflatables for the kids!

Friday 20th December 2019

Christmas Carols - 7pm - 8pm



Garioch Jazz Club
www.jazz-club.co.uk

November 29th - Beverly Beirne Singing the standards

January 31st - Elaine Crighton trio with Lewis Benzie on Bass and Neil Birse on Keyboard

February 28th - Bossa Nossa

March 27th - Tenement Jazz Band

April 24th - Marisha Addison sings 50 years of Jazz

May 29th - Tim Kliphuis Trio

All held at the Hopeville Social Club, Inverurie. Doors open 7pm.

Check www.facebook.com/Garioch-Jazz-Club-128856570496086/ for full details.

In 2020 we have some special events coming up

Kinellar Community Hall will turn 15 years old on the 2nd March and we are planning to mark the occasion with a celebration event. This event will be held on Saturday 29th February 2020 (times to be confirmed)

In the lead up to this event we will be running the first ever Blackburn's Got Talent!

So if you have a talent you would like to show off to the community keep an eye on our Facebook page for details coming soon.

The winner of this competition will get to perform their talent at Kinellar Community Hall's 15th Birthday celebration & Kinellar Galas 10th Birthday celebration.



Find out more at
www.scotlandstowns.org/scotland_s_towns_conference_2019

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

We'll add the details to the next Garioch Gazette as well as our fortnightly update e-mail.

We'll also add them to the Community Events page on our website: <http://gariochpartnership.org.uk/events/>

Garioch Gazette

The Garioch Gazette is The Garioch Partnership's quarterly e-newsletter.

It is circulated to a mailing list of approximately 200 "active citizens" who, in turn, are invited to circulate it to their personal and community networks – caring and sharing!

If you're reading this as someone has shared it with you, why not sign up to receive your own issue?

We only send 4 issues per year, plus invitations to our AGM and winter and summer forums.

Subscribe online at our website: <http://gariochpartnership.org.uk/2019-2/>
Or e-mail info@gariochpartnership.org.uk



We share details of events here and in the Weekly Update which is sent to all members, as well as in our Garioch Gazette newsletter. All information and web links given were correct at time of publishing, but may be changed by the event organisers. If a web link no longer works, or the information has been updated, please let us know by e-mailing info@gariochpartnership.org.uk.

To share details of your event, e-mail info@gariochpartnership.org.uk

Events have been listed in two groups: Regular events and in date order for One-off events.

Regular events

The Cafe at the Kitchen

10am-12pm, Every 2nd Friday, Garioch Community Kitchen, Wyness Hall, Inverurie
Find out more: Facebook: Garioch Community Kitchen

Garioch Connects

6-8pm, Every 2nd Tuesday, Garioch Centre. Monthly get together to connect, plan and have fun.
Every 4 weeks, on Saturdays. Full and half day activities and outings.
Find out more: Facebook: Garioch Connects

Inverurie Men's Shed

10am – 4pm, Every Monday and Thursday, Garioch Centre. Monthly get together to connect, plan and have fun.
Every 4 weeks, on Saturdays. Full and half day activities and outings.
Find out more: Inverurie & District Men's Shed

Cafe Philosophique

7-8.40pm, First Wednesday of each month, alternating between Stonehaven Library or Inverurie Acorn Centre
Find out more and see the full 2019-20 programme: Philosophy Cafe



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