

September EDC Report

Car parking charges for EDC carparks suspended until the end of December.

Had a successful community litter pick on the 12th September – Fairhill and tidied up the recycling centre at Tyne Willows

Fly tipping – reminder to report online – please encourage people to report incidents of fly tipping Pre booking for both services is required.

<https://selfservice.eden.gov.uk/renderform.aspx?t=273&k=FC6CC5D7336530CB7A2729BB5A3409CA049BE7F7>

If you see someone fly-tipping - any information listed below about who has fly-tipped can be used by the Community Wardens to help find the person responsible. Details such as:

- Vehicle registration and description
- Description of the person or persons seen fly-tipping
- A photo, video or dashboard camera footage of the fly-tipping incident

Below are the links to share with residents who may need bulky household and electrical items taking away - If anyone needs bulky household waste removing EDC will collect up to three items of large furniture for £27 from domestic properties. It is encouraged that where possible, reusable, unwanted furniture be sold or given away.

<https://www.eden.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling/household-refuse/special-household-waste-collections/bulky-household-waste-collection/>

EDC also offer a household electrical appliance collection from domestic properties, £27 per item

<https://www.eden.gov.uk/bins-and-recycling/household-refuse/special-household-waste-collections/household-appliance-collection/>

Ongoing work on individual cases on Alston Moor

Informal executive strategic sessions and draft agenda meetings

Eden Residents Covid 19 support fund panel weekly meetings

Meeting with Tracey Moran – Community Kitchens

Attended the virtual Fellfoot Forward launch

Leisure Centre visits – Visited Penrith and Appleby Leisure Centres to see what changes they have made to be able to open safely to the public.

Alston Moor Partnership – EDC representative

Townscape Heritage Scheme update

Emergency response group and area planning update

Review of the community plan

Eden Homelessness Strategy steering group

This meeting provided an opportunity to launch EDCs Homelessness Strategy, update on progress to date and hear views from members on how we can work together to implement the action plan.

https://www.eden.gov.uk/media/5686/300719_final_final_eden_homelessness_strategy_2019-2024.pdf

The Purpose of the Homelessness Strategy Steering Group (HSSG) is to oversee the delivery of Eden District Council's Homelessness Strategy (see link above) and Action Plan, ensuring it achieves its stated aims and outcomes through the delivery of high quality, appropriate and consistent services which meet the needs of people who are homeless or at risk of homelessness across the local housing authority area. In order to achieve this the HSSG will support and monitor the implementation of the Homelessness Strategy Action Plan (HSAP).

Key points from the updates – Eden Housing Association run the homelessness function on behalf of EDC - in quarter 1 they have seen a shift from prevention to relief duties – mainly single individuals who can no longer stay with family or friends due to COVID19. Challenges for EHA are finding settled permanent accommodation and a reduction in funding from March 2021 for people with complex needs will mean their options will be limited.

Presentation from Diane Harrison CCC – Positive Housing Pathways for young people – replacing the supported accommodation for young people - a broader approach. Crisis prevention and relief – prevention hub with gateway to commissioned accommodation and support.

Presentation from Richard Liddle, EDC and South Lakes funded through Ministry of Housing Communities and Local Government – Rapid Rehousing Pathway. Dual roles, helps private landlords, free service and supports tenants to find private let accommodation and helps them to become sustainable tenants.

Presentation from Karen Teasdale – Eden Housing Association – Domestic Abuse Project. 17 case in the 1st quarter, due to COVID19 there has been a lack of opportunities for victims to disclose face to face, closed down at home. Prediction is that around Christmas, January, February it is going to get worse, more high-risk cases.

Carlisle and Eden / West Cumbria Community Forum

Carolyn Otley – Cumbria CVS presentation on Cumbria’s response to COVID19 – as a result of Eden’s experience of emergencies and joined up working with community and statutory organisations – positive community resilience.

Colin Cox – COVID 19 update

Eden Locality Children and Families Partnership – Children’s Trust Board – Life Opportunities Task and Finish Group

Access to further education / training / apprenticeships / employment / Life skills and pathways

What are the opportunities available to young people 16-24 in Eden? Mapping of services and identify gaps.

Barriers – COVID19 interruption in education, attainment gaps, unemployment and economic insecurity, high outward migration, rurality and accessibility.

My task is to look at the impact rural living has on young people and their access to education and employment. Lack of transport limits their choices.

AONB - Fellfoot Forward – Next Generation

Meeting with Samantha Tranter – update on the Fellfoot Forward project, focussing particularly on the work planned with children and young people within the scheme areas and bordering, including Alston Moor.

Crime Safety Partnership

Partnership plan and business action plan

Update on OPCC

Public Spaces Protection Orders – Carlisle City and Eden - modelling around Oxfords PSPO

Update on Domestic Homicide reviews – Cumbria

Presentation by Mark Clement - Prevent – the prevention of radicalisation of young people – right wing extremism is the highest form of radicalisation in the county.

Update in crime statistics for the county – during the last few months, had a reduction in theft, vehicle offences, violent crime and residential burglary – however starting to see a return to “business as usual” plus COVID 19 issues, rule of 6 etc.

Updates from the Carlisle and Eden Focus Hubs - Main news from Eden – 5 extra officers to community – Shap, Appleby and Alston Moor.

Eden Locality Children and Family Partnership

Update from Childrens Trust Board

Eden has 2nd highest furlough rate in country.

Emotional health and wellbeing presentation

Early Help strategy has been signed off.

Opening of schools – 70K back to school – higher than national figure for attendance but will fluctuate.

The challenge for Head teachers is the pressure to make the decision about pupils health, whether they are showing COVID19 symptoms. How as a partnership can we support schools?

Guidance – teachers can now access testing – try national first then if still having trouble booking can go to specific site.

Eden Domestic Abuse Forum

Karen Teasdale – Eden Housing Domestic Abuse worker – promoting the service through GPs surgeries. Work in rural areas.

Remedi – School delivery programme – Cease – work with young people on signs of domestic abuse and advice on what to do.

Drop in referrals at the start of lockdown, beginning to see a steady increase – Christmas period in going to be a problem.

Discussion about how to get the message out about Domestic Abuse – especially during lockdown.

Arrangements for 16 days of action against Domestic Abuse White Ribbon Day – starts 25th November. Last year we had white flags and banners at Penrith Townhall and around the clock tower and information sessions in the Library. It will be different this year - suggestion this year to light the Townhall orange to reflect the international campaign for the elimination of violence against women and girls – ask people to wear orange in meetings – hold online campaign – bulletins with local and national stats – messages to children and young people – ask cafes, pubs, hairdressers, barbers and beauticians to decorate with orange.

Discussion around low-level training for hairdressers, barbers, taxi drivers to spot signs of domestic abuse and what to do.

Armed Forces Veterans Housing

<https://cumbriacvs.org.uk/about-us/carlisle-and-eden-forces-link/>

Meeting with EDC housing and Richie, Armed Forces Link worker, CVS

Links to EDC homelessness strategy

Current housing policies are usually armed services priority housing for the first 5 years, evidence suggests that it is any time after 4 ½ years that ex-service will ask for support and may not become an issue for many years, by which time the priority housing has expired.

More information on the Armed Forces Covenant

<https://www.eden.gov.uk/your-council/equality-and-diversity/armed-forces-covenant/>

Key points from the most recent Executive meeting – 15th September

<https://democracy.eden.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=131&MId=2827>

Penrith parking and movement study – considered a report, which set out the findings and improvement measures arising from a study commissioned by EDC, CCC and Penrith Town Council.

Nomination of an asset of community value – Water Millock Village Hall

Key points from the most recent Council meeting – 24th September

<https://democracy.eden.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=167&MId=2804>

Heard a petition regarding Omega Proteins

Motion on Notice – vote of no confidence in Leader Dr Taylor – long debate ending with the motion voted against 20 votes to 16.

Constitution Change – Deputy Head of Paid Service - a report to consider the amendment to the constitution which would provide for the appointment of a Deputy Head of Paid Service – Les Clarke was approved for this position.

Appointment of homelessness champion – The Homelessness Review and Strategy / Action Plan recommended that an elected member be selected as a Homelessness Champion - Doug Lawson was elected for the municipal year 2020/21.

Management of change policy – report highlighting the One Eden transformation would need to be supported by a new Management of Change policy, which outlines the Councils approach to making changes to staff roles during organisational change.

Temporary pavement licenses – report on the delegation of authority to officers and the setting of license conditions for new temporary pavement licenses to local business premises. As a result of COVID19 and part of the lockdown, legislation was brought in requiring non-essential shops, restaurants, cafes and licensed premises to close. Although these are now permitted to open, the social distancing rules have reduced the number of people that can safely use an establishment. Therefore the current legislation on pavement licensing has been amended to allow the use of outside areas and to maximise commercial opportunities for these businesses. The report recommends that the fee for businesses to apply for a pavement license in Eden be waived for 20/21.