



# North Lanarkshire Alcohol & Drug Partnership

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## **Bulletin 13 – Spring 2024**

The ADP support team would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our partners and colleagues for their ongoing support.

As an Alcohol & Drug Partnership we are keen to share with you some recent developments, opportunities and news from the substance use and recovery field. Please see a round-up of the latest news and info below. If you have anything to share in the next bulletin, please send this on to [NLADP@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk](mailto:NLADP@lanarkshire.scot.nhs.uk)

### **News**

#### **More Synthetic Opioids Banned**

Fifteen additional synthetic opioids are now under the strictest controls, in line with fentanyl, to prevent drug related deaths in the UK and ensure anyone caught supplying these substances faces tough penalties, see following link for full news story [More synthetic opioids banned to protect communities - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk)

#### **United Nations Toolkit on Synthetic Drugs**

The UN Toolkit on Synthetic Drugs has introduced the [Toolkit Community](#), a program designed exclusively for registered Toolkit Users actively engaged in countering the synthetic drug problem. The Toolkit Community is a place to come together to collaborate, learn, and share experiences. Toolkit Members will gain access to a range of exclusive benefits that enhance responses to the global synthetic drug problem.

#### **Community Solutions Website – Now Live**

Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire and University Health and Social Care North Lanarkshire have launched a new website for their North Lanarkshire Community Solutions programme. The programme improves people's health, wellbeing, quality of life, and equality by investing in community-led initiatives that build community, family, and individual strengths and resources - with a focus on prevention and early intervention. <https://www.communitysolutionsnl.org.uk>

Please contact [community.solutions@vanl.co.uk](mailto:community.solutions@vanl.co.uk) with any queries

#### **New Report - Volunteer Edinburgh and Voluntary Health Scotland**

Developing the mental health workforce: The role of volunteering at the Royal Edinburgh Hospital in employability development' [report](#) looks at the impact volunteering had on volunteers in their career and provides a snapshot of the important role volunteering programmes, such as the Volunteer Hub, can provide to the NHS and to mental health services.

## Events, Learning and Development

### Cost of Living

An open invitation is being extended to citizens and families interested in finding out about services operating in Abronhill, Carbrain, Kildrum and surrounding areas which help people maximise income, support healthy choices, reduce inequalities, improve quality of life and develop skills.

Carbrain Cost of Living Help Community Information Day will take place on Tuesday 9 April 2024 from 10.00am-2.00pm at Cornerstone House (1 Esk Walk, Cumbernauld, G67 1BZ).

Kildrum Cost of Living Help Community Information Day scheduled for Wednesday 10 April 2024 from 10.00am-2.00pm at The Salvation Army Building (Clouden Road, Cumbernauld, G67 2EP).

Abronhill Cost of Living Community Information Day will take place on Tuesday 16 April 2024 from 12noon-4.00pm at Abronhill Community Centre (2 Larch Road, Cumbernauld, G67 3AZ).

<https://www.cornerstone-house.org.uk/cost-of-living-help-information-days-planned-for-abronhill-carbrain-and-kildrum-this-easter/>

### Easter

A fun-filled fortnight of free events is being provided for children and families during the upcoming spring school holidays in Cumbernauld town centre, with activities scheduled including Creative Kids, Adult Arts and Crafts and a Family Movie Day.

Creative Kids, taking place on Friday 5 April 2024 from 1.00pm-3.00pm at Cornerstone House (1 Esk Walk, Cumbernauld, G67 1BZ), is an arts and crafts session which encourages parents and children to get creative together. Meanwhile, you're never too old to have some creative fun, with Adult Arts and Crafts scheduled for Thursday 11 April 2024 from 1.00pm-3.00pm at the same venue, see following link for more information: [Three Fun Things To Do With Kids In Cumbernauld This Easter: Book Free Places Now - Cornerstone House \(cornerstone-house.org.uk\)](#)



The Coatbridge Youth Work Team have lots of activities planned for you to enjoy. To log your interest or find out more, contact Sophie [lennons@northlan.gov.uk](mailto:lennons@northlan.gov.uk)

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### Easter Fun Day

North Motherwell Church

**The Importance of Child Led Play**  
**MADAGASCAR**

Out of work and live in Forgewood, North Motherwell, Ladywell or Greenacres?

- Learn New Skills
- Gain Confidence
- Improve your Wellbeing

Discover how we can help you whilst the kids play.  
Eligibility criteria applies  
Limited Spaces available!  
Register your interest by call/text  
Fiona 07512722084, Blessing 07715497991

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### Lanarkshire Carers

Lanarkshire Carers Credit and Debit Workshop covers the main factors to consider if you are looking to borrow money. The workshop will also look at what happens if you are struggling to pay back what you have borrowed, and where you can go for support.

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April

11am – 12pm (Online Session)

To book a place, complete Online Training Registration Form:

<https://form.jotform.com/240082674168358>

Contact: 01698 428 090/01236 755 550

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Information, advice and support for people who care

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[www.lanarkshirecarers.org.uk/training](http://www.lanarkshirecarers.org.uk/training) 01698 428090 / 01236 755550

### Scottish Women's Budget Group

The Scottish Women's Budget Group have launched the 2024 Women's Survey which is looking to capture women in Scotland's experiences of how they are managing the cost-of-the living crisis and the impact this is having on them and their families. [Take the survey today](#) – the survey will take 10/15 minutes to complete.

### Scottish Drugs Forum

SDF would like to share an update: "Two North Lanarkshire residents who completed SDF's Award Winning Addiction Worker Training Project have secured roles in their local area. Both trainees underwent 9 months of intensive training, SVQ work which was underpinned by a practical placement experience at local service. Both trainees have secured roles within North Lanarkshire to move into after their supported employment with Scottish Drugs Forum."

## North Lanarkshire Child Protection Committee Learning and Development

**Contextual Safeguarding E-Learning:** The aim of the Introduction to Contextual Safeguarding Course is to equip you with the knowledge and skills to respond appropriately to child protection situations which may arise in the normal course of your working day.

<https://rise.articulate.com/share/5ZQZuq8ieNuMwTIYKNslydcer13BILly>

**Equal Protection from Assault Act E-Learning:** The purpose of this module is to outline recent changes in responses to the protection of children, relating to a new legislative framework known as **Children (Equal Protection from Assault) (Scotland) Act 2019**. This has already shortened itself to the term '**Equal Protection Act**' so that is probably how you will hear people refer to the Act. [https://rise.articulate.com/share/gXa-P648dgZ9UTrSwaog-0\\_EUBmhJayx](https://rise.articulate.com/share/gXa-P648dgZ9UTrSwaog-0_EUBmhJayx)

**Understanding Child Neglect:** The aim of this programme is to provide an opportunity to those who work directly with children and their families to understand and examine the impact of neglect on children's health, development and welfare.

<https://rise.articulate.com/share/YWCEXSVdlbVRkxjirwx31Atj8xBDFd05>

**Multi Agency Assessment & Planning for Children & Young People:** This module comprises of seven sections that will guide you through assessing and planning for a range of children and young people who require planned and coordinated support.

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**National Guidance for Child Protection 2021:** This is a very brief module which will provide an overview of the parts of the National Guidance published by the Scottish Government in September 2021. This guidance replaces the previous National Guidance published in 2014.

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## SDF E-Learning

**LGBTQI+ Substance Use – An Introduction:** This course will take you through a short journey of LGBTQI+ history showing you how key events affect the community to this day. You will be given insight into how substances are used in the LGBTQI+ community. By the end, you will be equipped with techniques to make your service more inclusive. [Click here to access the course](#)

## Addiction Services, North Lanarkshire

- Airdrie Addiction Recovery Team – 01236 856126
- Bellshill Addiction Recovery Team – 01698 403535
- Coatbridge Addiction Recovery Team – 01698 753656
- Cumbernauld Addition Recovery Team – 01236 638842
- Motherwell Addiction Recovery Team – 01698 755355
- Wishaw Addiction Recovery Team - 01698 274070
- Community Prescribing Service – 01698 753839
- Harm Reduction Team – 01698 753657
- Addiction Psychology North – 01698 753830
- Addiction Psychiatry North – 01698 753820
- Addiction Psychiatry North - 01698 755358 (Dr Qureshi)
- North Lanarkshire ADP Support Team – 01698 753651