

Play Alloa Sessions



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Monday:
Wee Play Alloa
ASN Dance Class
Adult Social Group

Tuesday:
Adult Drop In
Moving On Group
Tuesday Youth Club

Wednesday:
Lifeskills Group
Buddies

Thursday:
Adult Drop In
Moving On
Thursday Youth Club



Saturday:
Play Session (Alloa)
Play Session (Menstrie)
Saturday Youth Club

Holiday Provision and Additional Services:
ESOL Creche/Playschemes
Holiday Play Sessions
Holiday Youth Outings
Wee Play Xtra Play Sessions
Adult Summer Drop In

**For a full list of current activities please
contact the office.**



Annual Review 2018-2019



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**Board of Directors
and Senior Staff**

"We have had a very successful year, in terms of expanding the range of services we provide every week: driving us forward in terms of quality & level of provision."

Last year's word was Whirlwind but this year's word is definitely Challenging.

Board Members:

Bob Davis: Chairperson
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Maria Malcolm: Senior Project Manager
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Session Coordinators:

Angela Ritchie
Elaine Graham
Karen Robinson
Kathryn Auld

As Chairman of Play Alloa, as well as a parent using its services, I have been pleased to see the development of such a new wide range of activities, crossing the age range. I have been impressed with the care in which Play Alloa has achieved its aim of providing lifelong play and social support.

This last year has been busy, and not without its challenges, but everyone has risen to the those challenges and continued to provide a great service. I would like to pay particular thanks to the Session Coordinators and Staff who have worked tirelessly with compassion and professionalism.

Funding is always a difficulty for Play Alloa. Play and social activity is not always seen as the biggest priority in comparison to health and education. However, Play Alloa's aim is to provide the quality of life that occurs when children have the opportunity to play freely; young people have the opportunity to challenge themselves; and when adults continue to connect with friends and enjoy their life in a meaningful way.

This will always be Play Alloa's aim and we strive forward into 2019 with the enthusiasm and motivation we are known for.

We challenged ourselves to provide more sessions, determined to use our facilities to their full advantage. We challenged ourselves to move to a different Hillfoots based centre (the Dumyat Centre in Menstrie) and we challenged ourselves to provide the fullest summer programme to date.

Funding concerns never go away .. funds are often for one year or two, or even 3 years, but all too soon the end of a grant becomes imminent and this year was no exception. Our big challenge was our Children in Need funding, which supports our core Saturday Play Sessions. This was coming to its end in June 2019. Waiting for the response to our application was almost unbearable but by the Spring of 2019 we were delighted to receive the news we had been waiting for. It was confirmed that we had secured funding for a further 3 years.

Play Alloa's numbers continue to increase: more referrals, more challenges and more expectations. As always the staff and volunteers at Play Alloa never disappoint. I am proud to lead such an inspirational and motivated team.

