



# Play Alloa Sessions

Day/Session	Hours
<b>Monday</b>	
<b>Wee Play Alloa</b>	<b>Weekly Term-time 10am-12pm</b>
<b>Adult Social Group</b>	<b>Weekly Term-time 7pm-9pm</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>	
<b>Adult Social Group</b>	<b>Weekly Term-time 10am-12pm</b>
<b>Youth Club (Hillfoots)</b>	<b>Weekly Term-time 6.30pm-8.30pm</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	
<b>Schools Active Lifeskills Group (Mixed)</b>	<b>Weekly Termtime 10am-2pm</b>
<b>Buddies Youth Group</b>	<b>Weekly Termtime 6.30pm-8.30pm</b>
<b>Thursday</b>	
<b>Adult Social Group</b>	<b>Weekly Term-time 10am-12pm</b>
<b>Youth Club (Alloa)</b>	<b>Weekly 6.30pm-8.30pm</b>
<b>Friday</b>	
<b>Clacks Families Parent/Carer Coffee and Chat</b>	<b>Monthly 10am-12pm</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	
<b>Play Session (Hillfoots)</b>	<b>10am - 12.30pm</b>
<b>Play Session (Alloa)</b>	<b>10.30am - 1.30pm</b>
<b>Summer Play Sessions</b>	<b>Various during School Holidays</b>
<b>Summer Youth Sessions</b>	<b>Various during School Holidays</b>

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## Annual Review 2016-2017

**SCO23344  
Co No: 379003**



**Board of Directors**  
**and Senior Staff**

"We are very proud of the fact that 'we asked and we listened' to what you have told us you want."

"If last year's word was 'transformation', then this year's word is quite definitely 'challenge'."

**Board Members:**

**Bob Davis: Chairperson**  
**Richard Teed: Finance**  
**Eileen McMurdo: Policies/Procedures**  
**Jim Taylor: Autism Consultant**  
**Tracey McDermid: Director (resigned at AGM 2016)**

**Project Staff:**

**Maria Malcolm: Senior Project Manager**  
**Lorna Fraser: (Left 17/3/17)**  
**Leanne Cook: Admin Officer (Finance & HR)**  
**Kathryn Auld: Admin Officer (Clerical Support)**  
**Lewis Green: Admin & IT Officer (Development)**  
**Sharon MacKay: Cleaning Staff**

**Session Coordinators:**

**Angela Ritchie**  
**Richard Cook**  
**Sarah Metcalf**

"In previous years I have said that my vision for the future was to create a "centre of excellence for children and adults with disabilities and additional support needs". And, although we are well on the road to 'excellence' we never take anything for granted. The hard work continues !

We have seen development in the garden; improvements in our games room and base; an increase in the range of services we run; and the expansion of our summer activities, covering six weeks over the school holidays.

All things requested in our 2016 evaluation. We are very proud of the fact that 'we asked and we listened' to what you have told us you want. Please continue to tell us how we are doing and what you would like us to improve or add.

I am immensely proud of Play Alloa; the family of staff and volunteers who work with us; and the children, young people, adults and families that we support.

I am also extremely grateful to everyone who walked, collected, danced and ran to raise funds on our behalf and the grant bodies who awarded us the funds to continue. Its not easy but we know what we do is worthwhile, so we will battle on."

There were many challenges facing Play Alloa this year including developing the centre further, completing our first full evaluation of the service since we moved into Broad Street and, most importantly, working on the ever decreasing funding packages which sustain Play Alloa.

After a very difficult concentrated six months working on funding applications, taking up the first 6 months of the year, we were very pleased and somewhat relieved, to see them start to come through as we approached the second half of the year. One after the other different parts of the service started to receive the news they needed. And even though we had to stop the Youth Clubs for a short time, in March/April, we heard the news we had been waiting for, big funding from the Big Lottery.

This funding will provide stability and the ongoing provision of our Youth service; our Play Sessions continue to be funded by Children in Need; and we are looking at restarting our Wee Play Alloa in the new financial year. Our regular Monday night Social Group for adults is now supported by various funders including Lloyds TSB and we will keep an eye on this to ensure it is maintained into the future.

Operating a third sector group like Play Alloa, funded from a variety of 1, 2 or 3 year grants, and local fundraising, is always going to be a challenge but this last year has certainly tested us. We hope we can count on your continued support and understanding. We are convinced that with the support of our wonderful families, fantastic children and adults, our dedicated staff and simply brilliant volunteers Play Alloa will continue to move forward stronger and more able to provide the range of services our families deserve."

