



Play Alloa Sessions

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

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Annual Review 2016-2017

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**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."

