



## Aberlour 150th Anniversary Creative Communities

Young people from our Options service have continued to be creative in the kitchen over the past 6 weeks. They have created a Cookbook full of delicious recipes to take part in Aberlour 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebrations as part of the Creative Communities initiative. The recipes will be turned into a cookbook by Winter & Simpson printers and each young person will be provided with a copy so they can remake all their favourite recipes. Well done to all our participating young people and team!



We have amazing news to share. The funding for our Financial Hardship Project has been continued until December 2028!

In March 2025, in the Aberlour Debt Conference, we hosted a workshop focused on the systems change work we are driving with the council and our lived experience partners. Additionally, we are beginning a collaborative project across Tayside, working with local councils and third-sector partners to develop and implement training for frontline staff. This training aims to allow frontline staff to engage with individuals experiencing financial hardship.



## Family Fun Day

Options & Outreach services held a Family Fun Day at Lochee Park on Thursday 10th April. We were delighted to see so many of our families attend and were even blessed with glorious sunshine! The wind was also present for the day and anyone who arrived early enough had the opportunity to chuckle at the staff attempting to put up two gazebos!

The families enjoyed an Easter egg hunt in the morning along with a Loose Parts Play session led by Scrap Antics in the afternoon. Funding was secured from Dundee Bairns to provide Scrap Antics along with lunches and Easter eggs for all. The wonderful David Lloyds members also donated eggs for all our families!



**A new 12-month Scottish Government funded service will be coming to Tayside in the next couple of weeks.**

**The Tayside Intensive Perinatal service will provide support to new and expectant parents impacted by substance use. We will offer emotional and practical support to help families grow strong together.**

**Shelley Brown will be the service manager leading on this work, and we are in the process of recruiting 6 IP project workers, 2 for each local authority. Katie Mew will be one of the IP support workers for Dundee and Susan Donoghue will be a support worker for Angus. Shumaila Hammad will also transfer over as the admin support for the new service. Congratulations to them all on their new appointments.**

**This is a national programme that will also see IP services developed in Tayside, Glasgow and Falkirk and Aberlour are delighted to have been chosen to lead on this work to improve outcomes for women and babies across Scotland.**