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On behalf of the Midlothian Community Planning Partnership Board, we write to thank all of you for your heroic efforts over the last 6 weeks. On 18th March, the Community Planning Partnership launched the #kindnessmidlothian campaign and we are delighted that so many of you are sharing examples of your work on #kindnessmidlothian. It has been wonderful to see the outstanding work taking place across a wide range of sectors including the Council, Emergency Services, NHS, Health and Social Care Partnership, Third Sector, Community Councils, the Armed Forces, the Business Sector, the UK Department for Work and Pensions, and a range of Scottish Government agencies.. The level of kindness, care and compassion is a true reflection of how important Midlothian is to all of us. Our staff, volunteers and partners are true heroes in our shared endeavour to protect our communities and help the NHS save lives.

The Community Planning Partnership know that this is a challenging time for everyone and we want you to know that the work you are doing is vital. All of your contributions are needed as we keep essential services operational, protect our most vulnerable as well as supporting economic recovery.

There are wonderful examples of how the work of staff and volunteers has been recognised nationally including items on Reporting Scotland and BBC Radio, Motions tabled in Parliament to thank staff and even a tweet from @RoyalFamily thanking teams for making full-face visors to keep our workers safe. The collective efforts of all has been truly invaluable.

So, as we all begin to consider what the “new normal” may look like, we felt it was important to say thank you for your excellent work and we look forward to planning a new future together. We know that, because of the outstanding public service you are offering, we will get through this and come out the other side even stronger than we were at the beginning.

Thank you for your heroic efforts and your continued commitment,



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