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Our vision is of the generations in Scotland working together to create a better and fairer country for all.

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## Who are we?

Established in 2007 with funding from the Scottish Government, Generations Working Together is the nationally recognised centre of excellence supporting the development, promotion and integration of intergenerational work across Scotland.



## What do we mean by Intergenerational Work?

- Intergenerational work is projects, activities or events where people of different generations, who might otherwise never have contact, do things together in positive and creative ways
- Intergenerational work includes activities which remove barriers between the generations.

“Pupils built very strong relationships, respect and understanding for the older people. They were more knowledgeable about dementia and care homes. Pupils volunteering, displayed very positive skills, for example, improved confidence, communication and motivation.”

**(GWT member)**





## What does GWT do?

GWT provides a range of services and support to organisations and individuals engaged in intergenerational work. Our work includes:

- **Influencing**

We provide information, guidance, support and validation to organisations developing intergenerational work.

- **Networking**

We connect organisations both locally and nationally to share good practice and learning through our local network meetings and national conference.

- **Training**

We deliver training at all levels from people new to intergenerational practice to experienced professionals, including a new online course leading to the accredited International Certificate in Intergenerational Learning (ICIL).

- **Resources and Support**

We develop resources, publications and toolkits to share good practice. We publish a fortnightly e-bulletin. The GWT website hosts a wealth of information from latest news, training and events to network meetings, case studies, media and funding information.

- **Project Delivery**

We develop and deliver specific projects to advance intergenerational work in Scotland in collaboration with a range of partners, including international organisations.



*Being part of a GWT network is a very positive experience for me as a practitioner as it gives me the opportunity to gain knowledge, skills and confidence from GWT and other practitioners.*



**(GWT member)**

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## How do I get involved and support intergenerational work in Scotland?

Membership is free with over 2500 members registered. You can be part of GWT by:

- Becoming a member
- Contributing to our networks and governance
- Sharing your practice and news
- Participating in our training and CPD programmes
- Promoting intergenerational work and GWT
- Funding our work.



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*It was interesting to see how some pupils, who can be disengaged in class and find it challenging to collaborate with others, engage and work with their senior partners so successfully. Some of the pupils described the members of the centre as their friends and it was a valuable way of developing social skills and empathy. The sessions surpassed my expectations and the 'feel good' factor it created in the children and adults was palpable.* ”

**(Teacher)**

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