

Meeting Report - Scottish Borders Intergenerational Network

Date: 5th July 2012-07-06

Venue: Traquair Village Hall, Traquair

Attending: Rob Nicholson; Alison Clyde; Chris Sawyers; Marion Anderson; Annie Watt; Kelsey Jubin; Rita Docherty; Margaret Smail

Apologies: Rosemary Hannay; Otto Grant;

Notes: The notes below are a general summary on the key topics/themes discussed at this meeting.

An evening reception at the Scottish Parliament was held to raise awareness of our new publication: **Guidelines: Bringing Together Local Authorities and IP in a Scottish policy context.** Further details will be available from our website.

A **GWT Photo & video competition** has been launched – closing date 28th September 2012 - 1st prize £150 2nd £75

GWT new website anybody have ideas of what we should have on it? New case studies, apart from the new ones which were involved in the Guidelines, will be added to the new website

GWT annual conference March 2013 – ideas and suggestions

Now have 20 local networks throughout Scotland more info on website

Training for Trainers: A total of 9 Courses delivered so far this year – may run another 4 throughout Scotland however will be where most needed

Looking to work closely with Education Scotland developing a strategy on how to integrate IP within the C4E and with NHS Health Scotland to develop a briefing paper showing a clear relationship on how IP can contribute to a healthier Scotland.

Other IG Opportunities

There are now opportunities for community groups etc to work with **Young Scott** to discuss their Truth about You Project, which aims to challenge negative perceptions of young people in Glasgow. Young Scott is looking to roll programmes out to other areas in Scotland.

For further details contact: Allan Lindsay on 0131 313 2488 or email truthaboutyouth@youngscot.org

Sporting memories network – www.sportingmemoriesnetwork.com Michael White 07906 239582

Thinking differently – Young people and Alcohol --The scheme is looking to fund projects that look to develop multi component projects that work with whole communities and young people to address local alcohol concerns. Contact matthewplunkett@therobertsontrust.org.uk by 12pm on Wednesday 22nd August 2012

Young Start Funding from the Big Lottery – has an intergenerational strand available for up to £50,000 for two years. Contact 0141 242 1500 for further information or check out the website at www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/youngstartfund

Luminate: Scotland's creative ageing festival – check out luminate@agescotland.org.uk

Baldy Bain Theatre: Better late than dead on time – free performances for your local group for a ten week tour in Spring 2013 (Feb – April). Contact: administrator@baldybane.org.uk

Margaret Smail CLD Scottish Borders Council – Is working in the Innerleithen area on an adult Education programme introducing IT. The primary 7 children at St Ronan’s Primary School have been helping the group design a poster for St. Ronan’s games. They have also been looking at the history of the school badge and the history of St. Ronan’s Wells. They have created some “knitted Monks” and are producing a DVD.

Kelsey Junín – is currently working as an intern with Scottish Borders Council Museums and Libraries and look for some voluntary work in the field of generations working together. Kelsey recently attended the Training for trainers and found it inspiring.

Rita Docherty, CLD Scottish Borders Council – is working within a community primary school where intergenerational work happens more easily. The ethos has been well established over 25 years. Rita is currently working with Abbotsford House, the historic home of Sir Walter Scott on a project involving children and adults. Rita has access to the Education department in-service day and intends to introduce the topic of generations working together, she also attended the training for trainers and found it to be motivational.

Annie Watt, Social Enterprise Academy and Scottish Borders Social Enterprise Chamber – is currently involved setting up a new project called Upbeat which, as a CIC will be to encourage generations working together for the benefit of children with a disadvantaged background. The project is a a very early stage.

Marion Anderson, Cuddy Action Group – explained that the Cuddy is a part of Peebles on the Eddleston Water and is an integral part of the history or Peebles. The group has been involved with the John Muir award and has attracted many children interested in the history of the area. The group has been a great way of bringing together people of all ages. Marion and Kelsey agreed to get together regarding a volunteer opportunity.

Chris Sawyers, Museum and Galleries Service SBC – is currently working with groups like U3A in Tweeddale on a history of shopping in Peebles; asking people for their memories of shopping in Peebles. This is involving the High School, youth groups and the civic society. Chris also spoke about the loan boxes provided by her service to schools and groups which contain artefacts, some real and some replica dedicated to the era under discussion.

Date of Next Meeting: