Meeting Report – Glasgow Network

Date: 10th June 2013  Venue: The Scottish Youth Theatre, Glasgow

In attendance: Karen Armstrong (GCVS), Charlie Murphy (Age Scotland), Bharati Bundoo (Glasgow Life), Rena Ali (GAMH), Kate Bruce (Gallery of Modern Art), Maureen Cusick & Liz Skelton (Community Central Hall), Roseann Malcolmson & Andy Forrester (Playbusters), Christine Kerr (Glasgow Life) & Agnes McGroarty (West of Scotland Seniors Forum) & Alison Clyde (GWT)

Apologies: Cllr Ken Andrew, Cllr Martin McElroy, Cllr Helen Stephen, Cllr Frank MxAveety, Cllr Matt Kerr, (Glasgow City Council), Rhea Lewis (Ankur Productions), Jane Mycock (Fast Forward) & Rhoda McLeod; Victoria McAlpine (Glasgow City CHP - South Sector HI Team), Derek Kelter (Momentum), Kate Robertson (Children’s Inclusion Partnership (CHIP)

GWT update
GWT's new website launched earlier this year - www.generationsworkingtogether.org. Please notify the office if there are problems. Looking for more input from local network news.

GWT now supports 29 local networks covering all of Scotland

GWT annual conference went extremely well and evaluated very positively – all powerpoints and handouts now available to download from the website. Photos now up on our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/GenerationsWorkingTogether

GWT Education working group – A short life expert working group was brought together (approx 50 members) consisting of a variety of partners (including Education Scotland) to help guide and support GWT to develop a strategic approach with the aim of raising awareness of the benefits of intergenerational work and how it fits with Curriculum for Excellence.

The group has meet twice and has tasked four sub groups (strategy, education resources, mapping & marketing) with the following tasks:
A strategic document detailing GWT’s education strategy
A resources pack for teachers and practitioners and opportunities for professional development through training.
Map 12 – 15 case studies. To be discussed at Scottish Learning Festival on 26 September 2013.

GWT health briefing paper (intergenerational approaches to health & well-being) is being written in partnership with NHS Health Scotland highlighting why people with a health remit should consider creating intergenerational opportunities within health. The paper has been drafted and we hope to have a final draft including 12-15 case studies by end of August 2013. Health Scotland will assist GWT in the dissemination of the paper. Signed up to Age Friendly Network to help push guideline documents.

Intergenerational Training – Training the Trainers
This course will be of interest to those who are keen to embed intergenerational approaches within their programme of work. Bookings and further details available online via the website.
Guidelines - Bringing together local authorities and intergenerational practice in a Scottish Policy Context – How can we encourage your local authority to adopt the Guidelines document and promote intergenerational working? GWT has sent a letter to the Chief Executive in each local authority.

Photo & video competition – online application form now available on website

Presentations
- GAMH Young Carers – Rena Ali – presentation on how mental illness can impact on families and their extended families. Working with 76 young carers across the city, ranging from 8 years to 18 years of age, providing a safe and supportive environment living at home with a person who has a mental health illness. Service offers social, recreational, emotional and safe environment to explore issues. Have been able to provide supplementary support for parents through positive parenting for parents of young carers’ programme.
- Age – Friendly Cities – Unfortunately Rhoda & Lisa were unable to attend – to be invited to talk at our next meeting

Funding opportunities
Young Start Funding from the Big Lottery has an intergenerational strand available for up to £50,000 for two years. www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/youngstartfund

Heritage Lottery Fund
Heritage Lottery Fund Scotland will fund intergenerational work and will consider applications from areas other than the priority areas mentioned on their website. Groups planning to apply for funding including start-up funding should contact their Development Team first. Thanks to Marion for the tip and the link to the following successful project recently funded...

http://www.hlf.org.uk/ourproject/Pages/LifeisforLivingston.aspx#.UZSRNKLvtqy

Glasgow’s Third Sector Transformation Fund - New Round Opens June 3rd
Glasgow City Partnership is pleased to announce a new round of funding for Glasgow’s Third Sector Transformation Fund.
The new funding round will support projects that:
- Improve the health of older people and/or their families and carers;
- Reduce social isolation of older people;
- Increase independence and resilience for older people and/or their families and carers;
- Build capacity of individuals and communities to be more connected.
Applications will be accepted from Monday 3rd June until Friday 2nd August.

Please note that there will only be one funding round and therefore one opportunity to apply for projects that will run during 2013-14 and 2014-15.

The application forms and guidance for main grants (£15001 to £50,000) and small grants (up to £15,000) will go live on 3rd June. One or two awards in excess of £50,000 may be made for partnership projects.

Further information on how to apply to the fund is available from Diane Wilson, Programme Development Officer - diane.wilson@voluntaryactionfund.org.uk Tel: 01383 620780 (ext 252) or from the website.
Local project updates

- Kate mentioned a DVD called We are Northern Lights  [http://wearenorthernlights.com/](http://wearenorthernlights.com/)
- Bharati – Family Choir based at Darnley Royal Conservatoire Scotland, funded through GCC Integrated Grant Fund/Cardonald College. 12 week programme providing taster sessions, which if successful will be used to develop further. Active seminars to be held at Victoria Park and the hope is to showcase Christmas time and at the Commonwealth Games. Developing partnership work with primary schools, sheltered housing and local churches. Sessions will work to themes, such as Burns Night, Daffodil Day, drumming sessions etc with entertainment and social events to encourage access from BME families who would not normally access these opportunities
- Andy – Playbusters mentioned mixed@ges (Alison to contact Maureen Marley for copy of book) – invite to next meeting to give more detail.
- Charlie Murphy to supply funding info from Age Scotland

Other IG opportunities

Opportunities to join other IG projects

Walk in our Shoes – act on our issues. GWT are in partnership with Age Scotland. The pack is part of Age Scotland’s campaign to end isolation for older people. Act on our issues is an activity that community groups can do to tackle barriers such as uneven pavements, public toilets closures, poor street lighting, unsafe road crossings and inaccessible shops – leaflets attached for anyone who is interested.

Go for Gold 2013 Challenge week

In 2013 the Go for Gold team are planning to continue implementing the 5 physical activity challenges with partners across the care sector in Scotland, (the Games Challenge, the Dance with me Challenge, the Walk with me Challenge, the Try-athlon Challenge and Creating your own Challenge. They are also looking to enhance the Go for Gold 2013 programme through developing the themes of intergenerational activity and community engagement. For more information contact: Bob Laventure – bob.laventure@ntlworld.com or Edith Macintosh - edith.macintosh@careinspectorate.com

Generations@schools – focuses on bringing students and the elderly together at schools to talk about experiences and different topics that are important to every generation. Old and young are encouraged to share knowledge and skills, and at the same time to learn about each other. Lots of resources available online – Deadline end of July 2013

Other info

Treasures
Scottish Book Trust is collecting your stories about your most treasured objects.
[http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/treasures](http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/treasures)

Stories submitted by the deadline of July 31st 2013 will be considered for inclusion in the Treasures book, thousands of copies of which will be distributed during Book Week Scotland.

There are resource packs for schools and adult learning tutors:
[http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/reading/treasures/resources](http://www.scottishbooktrust.com/reading/treasures/resources)
There is also an additional pack for secondary schools providing a structured way in which the Treasures project can be developed to support transition between primary and secondary schools.

**Amazing Things** – A guide to the Youth Awards in Scotland:
Download from www.youthscotland.org.uk/amazingthings

**Luminate** takes place across Scotland and features creative activities with, by and for older people, as well as events for audiences and participants across the generations, and intergenerational projects. The festival takes places from 1-31 October, and projects can be put forward online at http://www.luminatescotland.org/luminate-application; the deadline is 28th June.

**Older people’s day – www.olderpeoplesday.co.uk**
People are living longer and 23% of the UK will be aged 65 and over by 2035. The aim of the above website is to celebrate the achievements and contributions that older people make to society and tackle negative attitudes and outdated stereotypes.

Celebrate **All Ages Literacy Day** – 6 September 2013 – Changing Life Through Literacy

**Generations @ School** – The value of working with different generations in the classrooms: www.generationsatschool.eu

**Next meeting:** Thursday 3rd October 2013, 9.30am – 12noon at Park Lane House, Glasgow, G40 2QW

First meeting for 2014 will take place on Monday 20th January 2014, 9.30am – 12noon in the Albany Training and Conference Centre, 44 Ashley Street, Glasgow.