

Minutes

Moray Intergenerational Network Meeting,

Tuesday 3rd September 2013

New Elgin & Ashgrove Public Hall, Elgin



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Working
Together**

Apologies: Cllr. Stewart Cree, Cllr. Allan Wright, PC Rosanna MacSween, Irena Paterson, Anne Heinrich, Kresanna Aigner

In Attendance: Cllr. Anne MacKay, Cllr. Lorna Cresswell, Cllr. James Allan, Ann Hay, Moira Strathdee, Margaret Cowie and Marion Smith.

Marion welcomed all to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves, she then gave the GWT update:

GWT Update:

- **Education resource pack** – case studies and booklet now written up and in final stages. Should be ready to go to edit very shortly. Pack will be launched at the Scottish Learning Festival (25th & 26th September). Alison is meeting Education Scotland and Youth Scotland to discuss the possibility of jointly producing an awards supplement for older people which will complement Amazing Things (awards for young people – copies available from www.generationsworkingtogether.org)
- **Health paper – Intergenerational Approaches to improving Health and Wellbeing** also making good progress should be launched October time
- **Intergenerational Training – Training the Trainers Course** will be of interest to those who are keen to embed intergenerational approaches within their programme of work. Further information on future courses is available on the website.
- **Guidelines - Bringing together local authorities and intergenerational practice in a Scottish Policy**

Context – How can we encourage your Council to become interested in IG work and adopt the Guidelines document? GWT would like to work with all Scottish Local Authorities to develop a framework for the effective use of intergenerational practice within Local Authority policies and procedures to the benefit of local communities and all age groups.

- **Photo & video competition** – deadline Friday 27th September 2013 – online application form now available on website
- **GWT annual conference** – The GWT team are starting to plan next year's annual conference scheduled to take place in March 2014. A survey monkey questionnaire has been sent to members asking for their comments on city, venue, workshops and speakers etc. If you haven't already completed the questionnaire please do. Ideas and suggestions will be very welcome. We hope to confirm city, venue and date next month.
- **A showcase event** is being planned for the Highland & Island networks in Inverness on Tuesday 29th April marking European day of Solidarity between Generations. The GWT team are looking to collate ideas/suggestions and projects to showcase on the day. For further information contact alison@generationsworkingtogether.org
<http://www.age-platform.eu/age-policy-work/solidarity-between-generations/campaign>
- **Case studies** – 12 new case studies from across Scotland can now be viewed on our website at <http://generationsworkingtogether.org/networks/case-studies/>

- **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 place from 1-31 October

<http://www.luminatescotland.org/luminate-application>

Alison would like to hear from anyone who is planning to be involved in the festival showcasing their intergenerational work.

- **Older people's day – www.olderpeoplesday.co.uk**

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. If you are celebrating older people's day please consider sending an article to the website and also to Betty for the GWT website and Facebook page.

Funding info

- **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 Marion for the tip and the link to the following successful project recently funded

<http://www.hlf.org.uk/ourproject/Pages/LifeisforLivingston.aspx#.UZSRNKLVtqy>

Other IG opportunities

- **Go for Gold**

The Go for Gold Challenge was established in 2012 to involve professionals and residents in the care sector in the legacy celebrations offered by the London Olympic Games and the World Congress on Active Ageing in Glasgow, both staged in the summer of 2012 and the 2014 Commonwealth Games also in Glasgow. The Go for Gold Challenge is part of the British Heart Foundation National Centre for Physical Activity and Health at Loughborough University (BHFNC) programme of Active Ageing Events.

The aims of the Go for Gold Challenge are to:

- Promote and celebrate participation in physical activity amongst older people supported by the care sector.
- Build capacity in the workforce in the care sector to promote physical activity with older people on a day-to-day basis.
- Develop links between the care sector in Scotland and physical activity organisations.
- Contribute towards the 2014 Glasgow Commonwealth Games Legacy.

Go for Gold in Scotland is supported by a stakeholder network group made up of interested and motivated people from different backgrounds and a strategic reference group which includes national organisations across Scotland.

Following discussions with the 2014 Commonwealth Games Legacy Planning Team, the Go For Gold Challenge will be included within the 2014 legacy planning.

In partnership with **Age Scotland to publish another round of walk in our shoes – act on our issues.**

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.

Local Project Updates:

Margaret is the Volunteer and Community Participation Development Officer with Moray Council's Community Care Service. She works with a variety of services including 'buddies' involving young and older people, activities include photography and baking, both young people and older people gaining from the project. She has also been doing work with Elgin Library with buddying support for IT. Also, Margaret is involved in older people's sports development, funded by 'Go for Gold'.

Moira is the Essential Skills Officer for Adult Learning, she has been working with a variety of people including young parents and is involved in Family Learning Week which will take place from 9th to 16th November.

Ann is part of the Murray Council's Older Peoples Development Team, working with sustainable groups throughout Murray. She is involved with 13 groups through the Be Active Life Long (BALL) project, groups meet in venues across the Moray area for activities, refreshments, friendship and chat. Ann has links with schools and is working on an IT buddies project.

Anne, Lorna and **James** are all Moray Councillors, they work closely with organisations and schools across Moray, and between them have been active in many groups including Boys Brigade, Sailing Club, Credit Union, Moray Men Sheds, Barnardo's and the BALL groups.

Next Meeting: A date was not set for the next meeting, Marion will contact the group later in the year.