

Fife Local Network Meeting

Date: 3rd April 2014

Venue: East Fife FC, Bayview Stadium, Harbour View, South Street, Methil, Fife KY8 3RW



Generations Working Together

Attending: Wayne Mathieson, Fife Elderly Forum; Fiona Clark, Fife Elderly Forum Executive; Sue Milne, Gateway, Levenmouth; Aiveen Ryan, 3; Linda Abbott, Fife Employment Access Trust; Amanda Graham, FSB; Lucy Norris Green, RSPB; Lee Murray, East Fife Football Club; Alison Davidson, Fife Council CPPS; Nicola Buchanan, Fife Council.

Apologies: Yvonne Bryce, Alzheimer Scotland Fife; Dr Neil Hamet, NHS Fife; Pat Spence, Fife Council; Alex Sutherland, Kirkland High School; Jo Hobbit, Ecology Centre.

1. Yvonne Coull opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. She thanked East Fife FC for hosting the meeting and welcomed the speakers. She explained a little of the background to Generations Working Together and then highlighted the latest publications – Learning Through Intergenerational Practice and Intergenerational Approaches to Improving Health and Well-being. Both these publications are available online here:
<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/resources/gwt/>

Yvonne encouraged those present to read the evidence base provided in the new health paper.

2. Lee Murray, Chair and Managing Director of East Fife Football Club then outlined the activities of the club and the various intergenerational and community elements to the work which they are involved in. See: <http://www.eastfifefc.info/home>
Lee explained about the clubs vision for the East Fife Sports Academy and their youth work. This included week long sessions for kids during the holidays and activities at the weekend. The club hopes to have an all weather pitch soon and that could be used for multiple sports, not just football but hockey, rugby etc. Their coaches also go into schools, adopting a school, and this is about encouraging physical activity as much as football. Lee has only been in post for about a year and at the moment there is a great potential to work with lots of differing generations in the community.
3. Helen Foster, Royal Commission on the Ancient Monuments of Scotland introduced SCRAN, a digital database of photos and videos. See SCRAN web site. <http://www.scran.ac.uk/> Helen explained the different facets of SCRAN through a power point presentation which we hope to be able to post on the network page shortly. Scran is a charity & online learning resource base with over 370,000 images & media from museums, galleries, and archives. It is possible to search the whole resource base for free and buy downloadable images at publishing quality. Free access is available in Aberdeen through the libraries for education and community projects and this can also be accessed through the library web site online (if you are a library member). Helen described how the images could be used in intergenerational projects such as reminiscence or to provide background information or talking points. The images could also be used as posters and post cards (as long as these were not sold). If you are interested in use for a project and are not sure then please contact Helen direct through the SCRAN web site – she will be happy to help.
4. Nicola Buchanan from Fife Council works with community groups, NHS and the council on grants. Her best advice (due to the plethora of grants) is to have a look on the Fife Direct web site and contact the department to let them know what you are looking to fund. They will direct you to the right source of funding, look over your application and advise about content and things like constitutions. She described the funding with Fife Council has and the type of things which the differing funds cover. She then described the Lottery grant streams and some of the grants available there. She noted that there are 2 million trusts and foundations which give grants in the UK and it is usually possible to find someone for which your application will meet their needs. See the attached powerpoint presentation for an outline of grants mentioned. She finished by letting

people know the most common errors reported by the funder – why applications did not receive funding. The most common was that the application did not match the funding stream. The department also has an online database which can be searched for background information on all kinds of local statistics called GRANTnet. Again if you experience difficulties in using this please email the team with your request.

See:

<http://www.fifedirect.org.uk/topics/index.cfm?fuseaction=subject.display&subjectid=31C9D369-AEBB-46ED-BABE-5AE516541980&themeid=2B892409-722D-4F61-B1CC-7DE81CC06A90>

Lucy Norris Green, RSPB requested that members be sent this information. Lucy is very interested to hear from members and contact details below.

RSPB Loch Leven Futurescape

The Futurescape program is a countrywide initiative to work with communities to support the RSPB 'give nature a home' campaign. At Loch Leven, the main aims are to improve the quality of life for residents, provide more reasons for visitors to want to stay longer, along with developing landscape scale conservation.

As Loch Leven Futurescapes Community Engagement Officer, my aim is to involve groups from across the community; I have developed a range of programs for community groups, businesses and schools. I am also piloting a cross generational program called 'homes for nature' where school children will be working with people from a residential home to develop their grounds to support nature. If you are interested in the Futurescapes initiative, please contact me to find out more.

Contact details Lucy Norris Green Email: lucy.norris-green@rspb.org.uk Phone: 01577 862355

The following information is the **update** for April.

- **Health paper – Intergenerational Approaches to improving Health and Wellbeing** was launched at the GWT conference 2014.
- **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 are available on the website: Skye, Wick and Castle Douglas dates are on the web site.
<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/training>
- **Guidelines: Bringing together local authorities and intergenerational practice in a Scottish Policy Context** – Please remember to promote these within your local authority and let us know of their use if you hear of anything interesting.
<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/resources/guidelines-bringing-together-local-authorities-and-intergenerational-practice-in-a-scottish-policy-context>
- **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>

Other Info

Education resource pack

- The GWT Education resource pack is published and was launched at the Scottish Learning Festival in September. The teachers' seminar was being trialled in two areas; Shetland (completed) and Perth & Kinross (in March). A new resource which is a supplement to Amazing things – the youth awards – has been produced by GWT and is available online at:
<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/resources/amazing-things-supplement-a-guide-to-awards-for-adults-in-scotland>

European map of Intergenerational Learning

- In 2013 EMIL launched an Annual Awards programme for its membership with the aim of highlighting and showcasing existing examples throughout Europe where intergenerational work adds value. Through a nomination process, award winners in each of the following themes have demonstrated they have developed innovative and sustainable projects that have made a real impact:

Housing/Environment
Culture and the Arts
Workplace/Working environment
Communities
'Other'

For further information go to: <http://www.emil-network.eu/about/emil-awards>

Funding info

- **The Women's Fund for Scotland** is making small grants to projects across Scotland that support women's development, self sufficiency, and social and economic equality.

Grants of up to £2,000 are available to constituted, not for profit groups with an annual income under £250K, run by and for women working in four key areas:

- building skills and confidence
- improving health and well-being
- building social networks
- moving on from violence

See <http://generationsworkingtogether.org/resources/grants-of-up-to-2000-available>

- **Young Start Funding** from the Big Lottery has an intergenerational strand available for up to £50,000 for two years.

<http://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>

- **Climate Challenge Fund**

There is funding for garden projects through this funding and they are interested in hearing from those involved in IG practice. Substantial funding available for 2015. 2013 and 2014 funding close to full allocation.

<http://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/sustainability-climate-change/climate-challenge-fund>

- **Online Find A Funder Database**

If you're looking for funding this database will tell you what's available. Just go to www.community-toolkit.org.uk/Funding/find-funders.htm and select Older People and you will get a full list of potential funders.

- **Bank of Scotland Foundation**

Small grants between £1,000 - £10,000 can be applied. For more information go to www.bankofscotlandfoundation.org/guidelines

There are also -

ClydesdaleBankSpiritofCommunityAwards2014

Celebrateit

Orchard Windfalls

Coastal Communities fund

Other IG opportunities

- **Go for Gold Challenge**

New Newsletter available on the SCSWIS web site.

http://www.scswis.com/index.php?option=com_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=283&Itemid=695&limitstart=10

- **Walk in our shoes** – act on our issues is an activity that community groups and different generations can do together to tackle barriers such as uneven pavements, public toilets closures, poor street lighting, unsafe road crossings and inaccessible shops.

<http://www.ageuk.org.uk/scotland/get-involved/campaign/end-isolation-campaign/walk-in-our-shoes-act-on-our-issues/>