Meeting Report
Inverness, Black Isle, Loch Ness and Nairn Network
Meeting,
Date: Wednesday 5th March 2014
Venue: Spectrum Centre, Inverness

Apologies:
Kate MacLean – NHS Highland (Community Development Officer for Services for Older People); Wanda MacKay – High Life Highland.

In Attendance:
Julie Simmons – High Life Highland; Louisa Tayler – Southside Nursing Home (Activities Co-ordinator); Ro Pengelly – ScotSectorlink; Anna Paul – NHS Highland (Older Adults Dementia); Liz Docherty – Southside Nursing Home; Mike Wallace – Highland Senior Citizens Network; Susan Kruse – ARCH; Mary Rhind – High Life Highland (ABE); Sheena Patterson - High Life Highland (Fortrose Library); Janet Hughes – High Life Highland (Fortrose Library); Helen Foster – Royal Commission for Ancient and Historic Monuments Scotland; Marion Smith – Generations Working Together.

Marion welcomed all to the meeting and asked everyone to introduce themselves, and then introduced Helen Foster who gave a presentation on SCRAN, the Digital Image database.

Marion then gave the GWT update:

GWT Update:

The GWT National Conference 2014 will be held on the 19th March 2014, 10:00am–4:00pm at the Macrobert Arts Centre, University of Stirling, Stirling, FK9 4LA. T

GWT Showcase Event – Inverness - is planned for the 29th of April 2014, at Eden Court, to celebrate the European Day of Solidarity between Generations, members were asked to let Marion know of any projects that they would like to showcase at the event.

Intergenerational Training – Training the Trainers courses have been organised for a number of areas– keep an eye on website for further details. This course will be of interest to those who are keen to embed intergenerational approaches within their programme of work. Book online on the website, www.generationsworkingtogether.org

Education resource pack – case studies and booklet now published, was launched at the Scottish Learning Festival in September 2013. 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)

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 want 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.

Working 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 s uneven pavements, public toilets closures, poor street lighting, unsafe road crossings and inaccessible shops. For further information, check out the Age Scotland
Funding updates:

**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](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](http://www.hlf.org.uk/ourproject/Pages/LifeisforLivingston.aspx#.UZSRNKLvtqy)

**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.

**Next Meeting:**
The next meeting TBC.