

## Perth & Kinross Network Meeting

Date: Wed 30<sup>th</sup> March 2016



**In attendance:** Jozi Stables & Yvonne MacKenzie (Balhousie Care), Fiona Johnstone (PKAVS), Audra Webster (Healthy Communities), Gary Brown (CLD & GWT Coordinator), Clare Coleman (TCSOA), Shaun Bartlett (CLD), Noelle Cobden (Horsecross Arts), Sandra Nicholson (Catmoor Care Home), Carolyn Wilson (NHS), Fiona Matthews (Alzheimer Scotland) & Alison Clyde (GWT)

**Apologies:** Helen Milne (TCSOA), Ron McLaren, Louise Kelly (Auchtergaven PS), Lesley Gibson (Craigie PS), Jackie Doe (NHS), Julie Menzies (Glendelvine PS), Ann Cowan (PKC), Amanda Pirie (AK Bell Library) & Jane Ward (Muirton House Care Home)

### GWT national update:

- **The GWT Conference** took place on Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 in the University of Strathclyde (174 delegates). Presentations are now available on the website.
- GWT received an amazing 50 applications for our recognitions and were able to award 8 winners and 5 certificates of achievement. Further details on website and on Facebook.
- **Highlands & Islands Conference** – Friday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2016 - Centre for Health Science, Old Perth Road; Inverness IV2 3JH  
**Speakers include** Dr Paul Monaghan MP and Angus Hardy, Director of the recent report called Local People Leading, A vision for a stronger community sector – Scottish Community Alliance  
**Workshops** – Age Awareness, Digital Participation, Higher Education goes Intergenerational, Highland Youth Arts Hub, Become an Urban Detective & Living Life well in Care Homes  
<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/highlands-islands-conference-29-04-2016>
- **GWT have recruited a P/T Finance and Administrative Officer** – Sorina Oprea,
- **Accelerating Ideas Project - Big Lottery (6 months development funding secured – 1<sup>st</sup> Feb – 30 July)**  
Alison/Cheryl are working closely with colleagues from Linking Generations Northern Ireland (LGNI) on an action plan for a 3-4-year project bid to the Big Lottery, which would continue on from the existing 6 months development funding. LGNI plan to use our network model to create 11 local networks across NI and GWT is looking to set up age friendly school projects and adapt existing LGNI intergenerational toolkits for Scottish cities & communities who are working towards the age friendly agenda. Year 1 is planned (if funding successful) to start in the new academic year September. GWT would like to invite schools in Glasgow and Perth & Kinross to show interest by emailing Alison or Cheryl. We are currently looking to set up planning groups in 2 primary & 2 secondary schools (one in each area).
- **International Certificate of Intergenerational Learning (ICIL)** – Agreement now signed – (6 month pilot in progress) Alison will be working closely with the University of Granada in Spain to develop an English version of ECIL a European online intergenerational training course that we hope will be ready late summer of 2016. The course will take 30-50 hours to complete.  
**Action:** Alison to consider investigating if senior pupils in S5 & S6 could take part.
- **Creating a Healthier Scotland** new report launched - Intergenerational connections are recognised as being beneficial to initiatives and projects (P17). Hard copies can be requested here: <http://healthier.scot/>

**Intergenerational training Course for Practitioners and Trainers** - our current programme of training courses have now finished – new courses will be planned later in the year for the Autumn. If you would like to host or attend a course please get in touch with Alison. Shaun attended the Perth course in March and found it very though provoking and informative.

### **Future plans for network**

Alison is attempting to map out IG activity across the whole of Perth & Kinross and will email mapping sheets out to all members requesting that they complete one for each intergenerational projects they are involved in. If members have already completed one at a network meeting there is no need to repeat unless your project and numbers have changed.

Alison is also planning to apply for additional funding to develop and record intergenerational work across Perth & Kinross, which has the backing of the education. Alison will work on this over the next few months.

### **Networking**

- Carolyn mentioned that the NHS and Perth College were working together on a playlist for life project
- Noelle provided an insight into their Creative Learning project which has an IG element
- Gary mentioned he ran his own style of IG quiz, which was organised by Moncrieffe Primary School P7s and supported by the South Perth Community Partnership, which had been very interactive and fun. He is really pleased with how it worked out. Gary is keen to talk further after the meeting if anyone wants to do a similar type project.
- It was quoted during the meeting that the networking element of the meetings were a big success  
“Activity coordinators from care homes would never have thought of contacting a youth worker to develop an IG project and vice versa”
- Alison to contact Karyn Sharp, Community Inclusion Team Leader, Fiona Robertson, Head of Culture and Communities Service (PKC) and David Stokoe (Service Manager, Culture and Communities Service).
- Audra mentioned the Get set for Community Action project with Age Scotland where Keith (PKAVS) is organising an intergenerational tea dance.
- There are now three men’s sheds in Perth & Kinross, Aberfeldy, Blairgowrie and Castle Gowrie

### **Funding**

**The R S Macdonald Charitable Trust** objects enable them to make awards in four general themes:

- Neurological conditions, Sight loss and visual impairment, Child welfare & Animal welfare
- Applications can be made for research as well as for direct delivery of services. The trust is keen to fund intergenerational projects working with people with dementia. [www.rsmacdonald.com](http://www.rsmacdonald.com)

**The Challenge Funding** – digital inclusion funding should open shortly

<http://digital.scvo.org.uk/resources/challenge-fund/>

### **Next meeting:**

Thursday 9th June 2016, 9:30am – 11.30pm at Blairgowrie Community Fire Station, West George Street, Blairgowrie, PH10 6DZ (Apologies from Fiona Matthews, Alzheimer Scotland)

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2016, 9.30 – 12noon, Meeting rooms 1 and 2, Glenearn Community Campus, Glenearn Road, Craigie, Perth PH2 0BE