In attendance: Stacey Toner, Yvonne Boa, Iona Finlayson, Anne McDonald, Laura MacDonald, Shona Gilffan, Joanna Wright, Sandra Callus, Tracy Shaw, Marianne Hutchinson, Robbie McFedries, Lesley Hellon

Apologies

Gill Smyth
Anne Ross
Ian Cockburn SMP
Susan MACLean

GWT national update:

- National Conference, Wednesday 8th March 2017, Stirling Court Hotel – University of Stirling. Includes 7 hours of CPD accreditation

- Accelerating Ideas Project - Big Lottery (stage 2) has been unsuccessful however GWT is now looking to source separate funding here in Scotland to continue with the planned school work GWT will support the schools chosen in the pilot in Glasgow and Perth & Kinross to set up intergenerational hubs.

Lesley Hellon’s post as Highlands & Island Local Network Development Officer role will be finished, due to lack of funding, Feb 2017

Thank fully though GWT were successful in sourcing funding for a P/T Dev Officer for Perth & Kinross however we now need to source the match funding. We have 12 months in which to do this.

- Intergenerational training Course for Practitioners and Trainers - new dates now online
  Aberdeen – 27th January, 13th Feb Ayr, 20th March Perth and 23rd March Edinburgh – cost £35.00 (includes CPD accreditation)
  Other Training will be in Inverness area over the next year.
GWT is looking for 2-3 networks from across Scotland who would be interested in becoming a constituted group so they could access local funding to set up some IG projects, provide training and a support worker who could help them develop IG work in their area.

**Voting members** invited to AGM on the 8th March 2017, Stirling Court Hotel – need 2 people per network.

**Funding**
- Lots of funding opportunities on our funding website as of Jan 2017
  - Approx. 11 different funders

**Inverness**
- Open Evening – Join us and have your say!
- New for the Inverness Dementia Resource Centre: People living with dementia and carers are invited to join us at the first Open Evening on **Tuesday 21st February, 5-8pm**. Come along for a light supper of soup, sandwiches and home baking as you tell us about what matters to you and what you would like to see in the Dementia Resource Centre.

- Please let us know you are coming for catering purposes. To find out more please contact Dementia Advisor, Gillian Councill - GCouncill@alzscot.org

**Let's Get On With It Together LDOWT**
- On Wednesday 22 February we are starting an afternoon of Boccia in the Spectrum Centre in Inverness. This will take place between 2.00pm and 4.00pm and is free. Anyone with a long term condition is welcome to come along and join in

**Knit a hat. Make a difference!**

The Big Knit is a joint campaign between Age UK and innocent drinks to combine a love of miniature things and helping older people to Love Later Life. 25p of all hat-wearing Innocent smoothies sold in Scotland will go to Age Scotland and the local groups we support.: The Big Knit, Age Scotland, Causewayside House, 160 Causewayside, Edinburgh, EH9 1PR

**New Scottish Government Aspiring Communities Fund**

GCVS and GWSF invite you to an information event about the new Scottish Government Aspiring Communities Fund. This new £18.9m initiative, part-funded by the European Social Fund, will support fragile and disadvantaged communities across Scotland to develop and deliver community-led solutions that tackle inequality and poverty.
The Information Event will take place on **16 February 2017 from 2pm to 4.30pm**. The event is free, but due to high levels of interest registration is necessary in order to attend.

For more information and to book your place on the web site or call us on 0141 332 2444. Inverness Longman House 21/02/17

**Sharing and networking –**

**Ullapool High School**

Youth philanthropy is active within the school, looking at how to develop things into the community, and finding what groups they could work with. Headmaster was interested in all local projects and stated they can supply young people. Possible link into local learning centre – for Free Dry Stone Walling course suitable for all ages.

**NHS**

Telecare, they have accessories that will help people with dementia, they are looking to target groups that work with Dementia. Looking for community responder each person needs 3 responders. They are looking for funding to pay travel for responders. Morning call, gets young people to contact older people for a chat, and takes away child protection issues.

**HLH**

- **19th March 2017 taster day for Health & Wellbeing.**
- Yvonne explained about the super Jam that is available plus £50, for intergenerational tea party, board games, tea and scones. Jamming session (music)
- Discussion about how to meet up as IG group, may be able to have 2 meetings for a catch up each year
- Get to know your tecno – sometimes could do with going to people’s homes to show how to use the TV remote etc, but child protection does not enable that to happen.
- Pen Pal linking older and younger groups, is being done in other areas.
- Now and again HLH do Wii which engages all generations.

**Highland youth arts hub**

- Delivering various pilot projects engaging young people with in the arts, and working across a wide range of other groups and businesses.
- And is looking for funding to take the pilots further in 2018
- Although project is IG it is not really identified as that, this is needs something that needs addressing.
- Delivering a project in prison, with dads & sons making music
Assent learning centres
Rural skills photography, IT skills.
They have just gained 5 years funding from Big Lottery, and is engaging with the local community to find out what it is they want to do.

HIL Adult learning
- Focus on 16+ Supporting people with needs. Literacy numeracy and digital literacy They deliver various projects such as healthy eating and use these projects as a way of engaging with the local communities.
- Growing project – has funding for a sessional worker to develop using a couple of Polly tunnels and trying to make links with local school and local community and families healthy eating and using your own gardens.
- Are View photo competition is developing into IG different pictures depicting what local places mean to them.
- Music swap is a good idea IG bring your music and a show/listen and tell.

Highland Senior citizens network
Membership organisation Campaigning and advocacy and deliver newsletters
Coordinators are now in place to coordinate how services can be delivered, engaging with older people how they Care at home service and looking at if intergenerational ideas could work within the care at home service.

Royal Voluntary organisation
Operations manager is keen to look at IG projects and to see who they could work with, so this meeting was good to network other groups locally.

Art Centre in Ullapool
- Gallery and offer workshops
- Increasing workload and dementia
- Inviting care homes invited to come to the gallery but also make connections with old neighbours and friends.
- Delivering a small clay workshop with older potters with dementia

Next meeting: inverness Spectrum Centre 6th September 11:00 – 1:00