In attendance: Martin Robertson (tsiMORAY), Kasha Jarosz (tsiMORAY)

Apologies:

GWT national update:
Thank you to everyone who attended our conference on Wednesday 8th March 2017 in Stirling Court Hotel, University of Stirling, Stirling and to all our speakers, presenters and staff for making it such a great day. We had a fantastic array of presenters and workshops who gave an inspiring insight into intergenerational work taking place across Scotland, England and Spain. Presentations and handouts can be found at the following link: http://generationsworkingtogether.org/news/gwt-national-conference-2017/

The Recognition Awards celebrate and recognise the outstanding talent, commitment and inspirational involvement of workers, volunteers and groups who are involved with and are embracing Intergenerational work across Scotland. The five categories Trophy Winners of 2017 Recognition Awards were:
• New IG project – Calderglen Life Story Group, Calderglen High School (South Lanarkshire Network)
• Established IG project – T in the Street, Williamwood High School & The Richmond Fellowship Scotland (East Renfrewshire Network)
• Building successful partnerships through IG work – Connect, Raploch Community Partnership (Forth Valley Network)
• Outstanding Volunteer – Diane McGowan, Dumfries Get Together (Dumfries & Galloway Network)
• Yvonne Coull, Local Network Coordinators Award – Robin Falconer (Dundee Network)

Intergenerational Training Course for Practitioners and Trainers
Possible courses in Fraserburgh, Aviemore and Golspie. Confirmed dates now agreed for Western Isles.

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.

International Certificate on Intergenerational Learning (ICIL) – pilot online course taking up to 50 hours (free) in partnership with the University of Granada, Spain. GWT is looking for a wide range of practitioners/volunteers, students who would like to participate in the first pilot course. In return for the free training GWT would ask the trainees for full feedback and comments from all parts of the course (max 20 places). It is hoped that the course will also carry future CPD accreditation. Pilot course due to commence on Monday 5th June till Sunday 16th July 2017. You can now request your place on the website – deadline 12th May alison@generationsworkingtogether.org
• **Recruiting network coordinators** – there are approximately 10 (out of 30) network areas currently recruiting volunteer network coordinators – Western Isles, Aberdeenshire, East & West Dunbartonshire, North & South Lanarkshire, Dumfries & Galloway, Scottish Borders, Glasgow & Renfrewshire & Inverclyde. Further details can be found on the website at http://generationsworkingtogether.org/networks/volunteering/

• **Voting members**

  **GWT Constitution – copies available on request**

  Please continue to seek your two voting members per network (cannot be a member of staff however one place could be the volunteer coordinator). The normal term of office for a voting member will be 2 years however people may stand for re-election at the end of each term of office.

• **Diversity Lab: GWT Berlin trip** – GWT Local Network Development Officer, Rebecca, attended an intergenerational learning and research trip to Berlin.

**Funding**

• Lots of funding opportunities on our funding website as of Jan 2017

**Context café –**

Q. What does a successful network mean or look like to you?

− Different methods of communication. i.e. virtual network – discussion board

− Clearly define objectives/ goal of the network – make sure it's a network where people can be inspired

− Consistent and well planned in advance to build momentum

− Clear communication about meetings, updates etc.

− Mix of involvement from different sectors

− More regular meetings

− Local support to develop live projects

− Online, simple platform for ongoing support

− How do you identify need? Engage to establish what people want.

− Have speakers who run IG projects etc. to help inspire people

− Link in with local projects and initiatives to what appetite exists for projects.

  Q. What would your successful intergenerational community look like?

− Mutually beneficial

− Share skills and knowledge
- Breakdown barriers and stigma/ stereotypes
- Natural facilitation to allow it to happen naturally with a scope for it to be more sustainable and naturally continues
- Well matched, mutual interests, organic
- Community based on trust/ respect.

**Round the table- Local project updates**

Discussion of the purpose of these meetings. Suggested that it is to look around what is immediate around us; to see what is happening and be inspired by practical examples. Suggested that meeting dates be mapped out well in advance so people can have them in their diaries.

Suggestion of having more meetings.

Meetings could take place in Fochabers and Forres.

An online presence could be good in case people have questions between meetings.

Suggested that Rebecca could speak at partnership hub, the headteachers meetings, to gain more interest.

It would be good to have a presentation from a project at the next meeting.

**IG Projects existing in Moray:**

- Anderson's Care home and nursery school (Moira)
- BALL Group and Hopeman Primary (Kasha) – the BALL group could feed back about this at the next meeting.

Guests coming to meetings could help promote it.

A video that we watched at the meeting – What does old look like? https://youtu.be/lYdNjrUs4NM

It might be good to make a video like that locally, and also do one where older people are asked how they think younger people behave. Would be good to involve local schools in this.

**AOB**

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**Next meeting:**

2nd November 2017 (Venue TBC)