

Dundee Network Meeting

Date: 3rd May 2017

In attendance: Rebecca Dunn (GWT), Robin Falconer (Dundee City Council and GWT Volunteer Coordinator), Sandra Stewart (Volunteer Dundee and GWT Volunteer Coordinator), Karen Boath (Harris Academy), Tracie MacMillan (Dundee City Council), Carole Anderson (Age Scotland), Carol O'Neill (Dundee Carers Centre), David MacDougall (Stobswell Forum)

Apologies: Tracy McNally (Dundee Citizens Advice Bureau), Fiona Bissett (Dundee City Council), Olive Smiles (Dundee City Council), Carmel Thompson (Dundee City Council), Nicola Mitchell (Dundee Voluntary Action), Alison Goodfellow (The MAXwell centre)

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

Planning Session: Dundee's big intergenerational event

Working Title: 'Inspiring Generations'

Purpose of event

- Stimulate ideas
- To share and inspire
- Generate interested
- Raise the profile of IG work

Below are a list of tasks with a named person identified to carry out each one, grouped into 4 sub-headings:

Venue

Community Centres - £Free (**Tracie to find out availability**)

Harris Academy - £Free? (**Karen to find out availability**)

Will probably cost to hire:

Central Baptist Church
The Steeple
The Shore
Westpark
Dundee Carers Centre

Waiting to hear back about availability of free lets before exploring places that charge to hire, and also hiring a venue that costs is dependent on funding (see below)

Funding

Agreed that will probably need no more than £500. This is to cover venue hire (if there is a cost) and catering for a light lunch for attendees (around 50 attendees is our estimate).

Funding to find out about:

Dundee Partnership (**David**)

Maryfield Community Regenerations Fund (**David**)

Sandra to contact Nicola

Rebecca to ask Alison what GWT can provide

What will the event consist of?

Present a national project

- Show the Old School video
- Invite Perth project (**Robin**)

Local projects

- Dementia Library
- Harris Academy (**Karen**)
- Morgan Academy (**David**)
- Weaving Activity (**Karen**)
- Discovery Awards (**Carole to find out whether what they are doing is IG and if so find out their availability for presenting their project/ holding a stall**)
- Go For Gold (**Sandra**)

International project (**Rebecca Berlin trip**)

Activity matching people up with people near them into geographical groups

(Idea to be discussed further, perhaps at next planning meeting?)

Speed Networking (**Idea to be discussed further, perhaps at next planning meeting?)**

Promote Network (**Idea to be discussed further, perhaps at next planning meeting?**)

Who to invite?

High Schools (**Karen/ David to invite Morgan Academy**)

Pensioners Forum (**Carole**)

Primary Schools (**Robin**)

Churches (**David**)

Taught by Muhammad (**Karen**)

Men's Shed Carse of Gowrie (**Carole**)

Men's Shed Maryfield (**David**)

Dad's and Brains (**Tracie**)

Care homes/ sheltered housing (**Sandra**)
Youth Workers (**Robin**)

Promotion tasks

Posters (**Rebecca**)

Spread the word at Community Planning Partnership Meetings (**Robin/ David at Maryfield**)

Sharing IG stories and projects – round the table

David told us about 'Stobfest '17', a local community event in Maryfield for all ages, and 'Celebrate in the Park', a family event. David will report back on how successful these are.

Sandra reported on 'Go For Gold'. There are 16 care homes, 18 college students and 3 Harris Academy pupils involved in this IG activity.

AOB

Dundee Network a constituted group? We will re-look at this after the big event.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 14th September 2017 – Big Intergenerational Event will replace normal network meeting.