

Dundee & Angus Network Meeting

Date: 24/01/2018

Venue: Finmill Community Centre,
Findcastle Street, Dundee
DD4 9EW



**Generations
Working
Together**

In attendance: Rebecca Dunn (GWT), Robin Folconer (GWT local volunteer network coordinator & Dundee City Council), Tracie MacMillan (Dundee City Council), Kerri Abbott (Morgan Academy), Rhea Long (The Food Train), Caitlyn McCulloch (The Food Train), Kaiya Thomson (The Food Train), Jenny Whitton (Aberlour Childcare Trust), Graham Galloway (Kirrie Connections), Darren Thomson (Leisure and Culture Dundee), Shonagh Ferguson (Aberlour Childcare Trust), Alice Adamson (Dundee Voluntary Action), Kerri Mclean (Clement Park), Arlene Jackson (Clement Park), Kara Robertson (Dundee University), Emma Howard (CLD Student), Fiona Bissett (DCC Sheltered Housing), Richard McIntosh (Community Innovation Fund, CCBO NHS Tayside), Kirsty Small (St Paul's RC Academy), Karen Boath (Harris Academy), Anne Rendall (Dundee City Council), Andy Buwert (Monifieth High), Claire Morrison (Monifieth High), Olive Wainwright (Monifieth High), Sandra Stewart (Volunteer Dundee), John McCrank (Volunteer), George Kay (GWT Trustee)

Apologies: Tracey Hann (Royal Voluntary Service), Jo Gevers (Big Noise Dundee), Ron McLaren (Humanism in Scotland)

Generations Working Together national update

Upcoming training days

Intergenerational Training Course for Practitioners and Trainers (CPD Accredited) £40 per person

Dates coming up:

22nd February 2018, 10am – 4pm, at The Barn, Burn O Bennie, Banchory

21st May, 10am – 4pm, at Raploch Community Campus, Drip Road, Stirling

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/training/>

ICIL

The second round of ICIL, our 6 week online intergenerational training course, began on the 22nd January with 20 participants taking part at the discounted price of £100, in return for students providing feedback. The course is accredited by the University of Grenada, and students gain 50 hours of CPD on successful completion

GWT National Conference

You can now book your place, nominate for recognition awards, and book an exhibition stall space. Wednesday 7th March 2018, Technology & Innovation Centre, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow (£50 per person). Workshops will be delivered looking at the following themes: care homes/nurseries, raising attainment through intergenerational work, intergenerational workplaces, intergenerational green spaces (The Conservation Volunteers charity), Year of Young People, community safety and a charity from London called Magic Me.

Speakers at the conference will include:

- **Maree Todd MSP**, Minister for Childcare and Early Years
- **Susan Langford MBE**, Director, Magic Me – Connecting Generations
- **Ewan Fisher**, Business Analyst and GWT Trustee

Delegates will have the opportunity to pick a morning and afternoon workshop from a variety of workshops including:

Morning workshops: 11:00am-12:20pm

1. Setting up an intergenerational nursery: the good, the bad, the ugly, and the wonderful
2. Intergenerational Practice in the Workplace
3. Year of Young People 2018
4. Raising attainment in literacy and numeracy using an intergenerational approach

Afternoon workshops:13:30-14:50

5. Creative activities for intergenerational work
6. Functional Fitness and Ageing Actively
7. Intergenerational Housing

CPD Accreditation

Once again GWT is able to offer delegates the opportunity to gain seven hours of CPD accreditation for their attendance on the day.

Book your place:

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/national-conference-2018-safer-fairer-more-successful-communities-07-03-2018>

Recognition awards:

The awards celebrate and recognise the outstanding talent, commitment and inspirational involvement of workers, volunteers and groups who promote Intergenerational activities.

This year there are five categories:

1. New Intergenerational Project (Less than 12 months)
2. Established Intergenerational Project (Greater than 1 year)
3. Outstanding volunteer contributing to intergenerational work
4. Building successful partnerships through intergenerational work
5. Yvonne Coull Local Network Coordinators Award

Deadline for nominations – **Monday 5th February 2018 at midday.**

Eligible applicants must be from within the Scottish Network Areas and are open to charitable, voluntary and community groups or public sector organisations.

Queries can be directed to Sorina.

Award winners will be announced and presented at the **National Conference** on Wednesday 7th March 2018 in Glasgow.

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/news/gwt-recognition-awards-2018-27-11-2017>

Opportunities to Exhibit

Exhibition spaces are available in the reception and public meeting areas which ensures maximum face to face interaction with delegates.

Packages include:

1. Small Local Charities (with a turnover of under £250K) – includes conference registration fee for up to two people – **Cost £100**
2. Larger Charities and Commercial Businesses (with a turnover of over £250K)
 - Exhibition Stall – **Cost £200** – includes conference registration fee for up to two people.

•Exhibition Stall & Conference Sponsor – **Cost £500** – includes conference registration fee for up to two people.

Tables, chairs and cloths for exhibition stands will be provided. Dimensions of tables are L140cm x W80cm x H72cm.

To book a stall complete a form and return to office.

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/news/opportunities-to-exhibit-at-gwt-conference-2018-27-11-2017>

Year of Young People 2018 aims to inspire Scotland through its young people, celebrating their achievements, valuing their contribution to communities and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

Objectives

- Provide a platform for young people to have their views heard and acted upon
- Showcase the amazing talents of young people through events and media
- **Develop better understanding, co-operation and respect between generations**
- Recognise the impact of teachers, youth workers and other supporting adults on young people's lives
- Provide opportunities for young people to express themselves through culture, sport and other activities

<http://yoyp2018.scot/>

GWT has listed information on funding available through the Year of Young People

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/resources/year-of-young-people-2018-five-funds-aimed-at-supporting-young-people>

Keep Scotland Beautiful

KSB have informed me that Keep Scotland Beautiful has chosen the 'Year of Young People 2018' as their theme for 2018, for the groups they support through their Beautiful Scotland and It's Your Neighbourhood campaigns, in the hope that they can encourage more intergenerational working.

Here is the ideas document they have developed for the groups they support. You will see that they reference intergenerational work, and they link to GWT website under the funding section of the document.

<https://www.keepsotlandbeautiful.org/media/1560823/2018-theme-year-of-young-people.pdf>

Old People's Home for 4 year olds: Christmas Episode

If you loved the series last year, then catch up with the story in the Christmas episode.

<http://www.channel4.com/programmes/old-peoples-home-for-4-year-olds-christmas>

Launch of Scottish Government Consultation on Tackling Social Isolation and Loneliness

A number of events are coming up across Scotland so that we may have input into the draft strategy, which is now available.

You can read the draft strategy, find a list of consultation events and fill out online feedback here:

<https://consult.gov.scot/equality-unit/connected-scotland/>

The Dundee event details are as follows:

1st February 1pm – 3:30pm

Best Western Queens Hotel

160 nethergate
Dundee
DD1 4DU

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/social-isolation-and-loneliness-strategy-dundee-consultation-event-tickets-42123477455>

Dundee Local Updates

Amina Okhai, of Yusuf Youth Initiative in Dundee, is able to offer equalities training for a range of protected characteristics.

Looking for a new volunteer network coordinator for Dundee & Angus Network, as Robin will have to step back a bit. **UPDATE: We have now filled this role.**

Current voting members: Robin and Sandra

Have your say on accessibility solutions in Dundee

You are invited to a presentation by Neatebox on 20th February 2018, from 10:00-10:45 in offices on 10 Constitution Road, DD1 1LL.

Neatebox is an Edinburgh-based startup with a focus on developing solutions to address challenges people with disabilities face every day. Their two free apps, 'Welcome' and 'Button', were launched last summer and had some great success across the country. In this session, you will learn about 'Welcome', which promotes disability aware customer service, and 'Button', which allows you to push the pedestrian crossing button with your smartphone.

If you're interested, you can register here: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/neatebox-for-an-accessible-dundee-tickets-41311689375>

<http://generationsworkingtogether.org/news/have-your-say-on-accessibility-solutions-in-dundee-18-01-2018>

Speed Networking

Some feedback that came back from speed networking discussions:

What do you get from the network meetings?

- "Good for networking, getting ideas for activities and sharing ideas."
- "Making links, stealing ideas and sharing my ideas. Gaining information and meeting people you've never met. Blethering."
- "Intergenerational is the future."

Presentation from Richard McIntosh, Community Innovation Fund

This fund is available for Tayside. Groups are invited to apply for a share of the funds. This is now a permanent fund on rotation.

The purpose of the fund is to support people keeping well in their homes and their cities. C.I.F has funded a lot of intergenerational projects.

Tayside is the only area that has the C.I.F – it is funded through the Health Board and Patient Fund.

More information can be found at the website:
www.communityinnovationfundtayside.scot.nhs.uk

Or you can contact Richard on:
Tel: 01382 596979
Email: cif.tayside@nhs.net

If you would like to talk to Generations Working Together about project ideas; if you want some input into applying for this funding for an intergenerational project, then please get in touch with myself, Rebecca Dunn:
Tel: 07875843799
Email: rebecca@generationsworkingtogether.org

Sharing IG stories and projects – round the table

Interest from **The Food Train** in the Cycling Without Age scheme. Perhaps a trike for Dundee is next.

Tracie MacMillan shared about the 'Menziesshill Mums' group who operate from Menziesshill Community Centre. Tracie is delighted to see the ground up development of a thriving community initiative. The group have run events which involve ages from children to grandparents, and include something for everybody. There is talk of developing a homework club across the ages. The name of the group will change to reflect the range of ages involved, as it is not just mums.

Kara Robertson is a final year Interior and Environmental Design student at Dundee University. For her thesis project she is proposing to rehabilitate two existing buildings in Forfar town centre into an intergenerational community hub which encourages skill share and socialising between small town millennials with the third generation. She is currently carrying out a large body of first hand research in order to develop the design of her concept.

Date of next meeting

Tuesday 15th May 2017, 10am – 12pm, at KirrieConnections, 5 Bank Street, Kirriemuir DD8 4BE
More info: Come to Kirriemuir for the May Dundee & Angus Network Meeting. Thank you to KirrieConnections for hosting this meeting at their dementia friendly community hub in Kirriemuir.

Graham Galloway, Project Co-ordinator at KirrieConnections, will be doing a presentation about some of the intergenerational work they are carrying out, which includes a healthy eating project and exercise sessions! You will hear more about this, and have time for our usual sharing and networking, as well as the GWT National updates, at the meeting.

Teas and coffees provided.

Please note that there is two hours free parking available at the Reform St car park in the town, which is just behind the KirrieConnections building.

Thursday 20th September 2017 (Possibly Harris Academy, TBC)

If anyone can offer a venues for future meetings, please let Rebecca know.