

Date: Tuesday 28th August, 2pm – 4pm am in Carpenter Court, Perth

In attendance: Ron McLaren, Georgia Boswell, Susannah Coventry, Katrina Dormer, Ann Scobbie, Mima Hird, Michael Farrell, Maureen O'Reilly

Apologies: Carolyn Wilson, Audra Webster

GWT national update:

New staff members joining the GWT team

- Marion Wahle will be covering the North East of Scotland as our new Network Development Officer (16 hours)
- Josh Brown will be covering the West of Scotland – P/T Network Development Officer (18 hours)

Using an IG approach in end of life care – research study (Forth Valley)

Dr Liz Forbat, Associate Professor in Ageing, University of Stirling is planning to apply for funding to run a research study looking at how an intergenerational approach could be used in end of life care.

This is a very exciting development for Generations Working Together and we really do hope that some of our member care homes in Forth Valley will get involved. Those keen to take part contact Alison@generationsworkingtogether.org by Monday 6th August 2018.

Intergenerational workshop for early years practitioners is being held on Monday 27th Aug 2018 at Brunswick House, 51 Wilson Street, Glasgow, G1 1UZ. The workshop is aimed at early years practitioners who are involved in intergenerational projects or who would like to develop projects however have faced barriers. GWT is looking to produce a new publication – An Intergenerational Guide for Early Years Practitioners

Register online at <https://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/an-intergenerational-approach-for-early-years-provision-27-08-2018>

A similar workshop will be run on Thursday 4th October for care home staff to contribute **to a new intergenerational guide for care homes**. More details to follow shortly on the website.

International Intergenerational Research Group – Scotland meeting planned for Wednesday 7th November 2018, 10:30am - 1:30pm, Glasgow. GWT is hosting a similar meeting to that held in June by Ali Somers, Co-Founder of the Apples and Honey Nightingale in London to gather thoughts and ideas for direction and collaboration between practitioners, policy makers, academics and researchers in Scotland and possibly wider afield (UK and Europe). Our aim is to connect practitioners, policy makers, academics and researchers who are actively or interested in investigating the impact of intergenerational work/relationships on both younger and older aged participants to come together. Only a few places left.

GWT Annual National Conference - Wednesday 6th March 2019, University of Strathclyde, Glasgow
Recognition Awards 2018 will be open in November 2018

Intergenerational Training Course for Practitioners and Trainers (CPD Accredited (£75 - Full / £50 Concession) planned for

- 11th September 2018, 10am – 4pm at Rowlands, 24 West Port, Selkirk, TD7 4DG
- 12th September 2018, 10am – 4pm at the Catstrand, High Street, New Galloway, DG7 3RN
- 3rd October 2108, 10am – 4pm in the media Room of general register House, 2 Princess Street, EH1
- 24th October 2018, 10am-3pm at Campbeltown Grammar School, Hutcheon Rd, Campbeltown PA28 6JS

To book a place on the courses detailed below or to see the learning outcomes please click on the link below: <http://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/training>

The **Intergenerational Leadership Institute (ILI)** is a certificate-training program developed by Penn State University for older adults seeking new lifelong learning experiences, skills and volunteer opportunities to contribute to innovation and change in their communities through an intergenerational perspective. Generations Working Together will be attending the training course in November and is looking for someone who works for an older people's organisation to accompany GWT on the training course. The ultimate goal is to bring the knowledge back to Scotland to work together to look at ways GWT could support older people's groups and how you can deliver this training to older people seeking new lifelong learning experiences, skills and volunteer opportunities to contribute to innovation and change in their communities.

You will need to cover your own travel and accommodation costs however GWT will cover one person's course fee which will include training materials, two lunches, three coffee breaks and your final certificate from Pennsylvania State University, USA.

Intergenerational Education in Spanish Primary Schools

Generations Working Together has a close partnership with the University of Granada and will be attending the following seminar hosted by Professor Mariano Sanchez to hear the results of the intergenerational school research project, Colegio Intergeneracional which is based on the Cleveland intergenerational school model.

GWT has been allocated two spaces and is looking for someone within Education in Scotland who would like to attend the seminar on the 22 & 23rd November 2018 in Granada, Spain along with Alison Clyde, National Development Manager. We are looking for someone who has a real interest in developing intergenerational work within primary schools who can come back to Scotland and share their new knowledge to education colleagues within their local authority area and wider with a view to creating more intergenerational projects within Scottish schools.

You would need to be able to cover your travel and accommodation costs (however refreshments, lunch and dinner on Thursday 22nd November will be included within the free seminar).

International Certificate on Intergenerational Learning (ICIL) – 6-week online course will run again starting on Tuesday 23rd October and finishing on Monday 3rd December 2018.

<https://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/international-certificate-in-intergenerational-learning-2nd-edition-23-10-2018>

Ideas for Intergenerational Work

Inspiring Purpose: Between the Generations enables young people to explore the history and events of the First World War, as well as the character strengths and values required to get through this tough time, through discussions and working together with a partner from a different generation. This project creates a bond and relationship 'between the generations' and brings everyone together. The programme is ideal for young people under the age of 16 but must be completed with a partner from an older generation.

Network Updates:

Connecting Generations Perth & Kinross update

New recruitment drive has resulted in 17 new volunteers who have been trained and are ready to start their new placements. We now have 29 volunteers within the two schools, having lost some from phase 1 through illness and family commitments.

CSoA volunteers in the Primary school, doing activities in the classrooms and also in small groups. The high school also have volunteers in Maths, English and student guidance.

We are testing a new referral process which has been introduced, to provide an infrastructure and creating a pathway for placements.

Perth Grammar has new areas of development, including a mentoring programme.

Working together with the schools' careers and employment services to assist pupils with career choices, looking at CV's, universities and giving focus to future life choices. The other area, through MOR attending student guidance Senior Referral team meetings is to develop mentors for positive male/female role model with some more challenging pupils. This will be tested until Christmas.

PG hosted the Eden project Big Lunch and Big Walk, with residents from Balhousie Nursing home, IG volunteers from Connecting Generations project, Staff and second year pupils who baked and provided a picnic lunch for everyone. A total of 76 people attended, and was a huge success.

Georgia Boswell – Carpenter court

Georgia has asked for help in promoting IG work in Carpenter Court. She is looking for pupils from a school to attend the housing complex for activities and also looking to set up an art project where pupils have the opportunity to design direction posters for dementia residents, which will be put up in relevant points within the housing.

Liz Edington from the Duke of Edinburgh award was welcomed to the group.

Katrina Dormer, Balhousie Primary School, still visiting Balhousie nursing home.

Perth & Kinross Network coordinator vacancy (volunteer) – If anyone is interested in taking on the role of coordinator, please get in touch with Maureen for further details.

Date of our next meeting – Tuesday 27th November 10am – 11.30am
Loch Leven Community Campus, Campus Road, Kinross KY13 8FQ.