

Glasgow and East Dunbartonshire Intergenerational Network Meeting

Date: 14.02.20

Venue: NG Homes, 10 Vulcan Street, GLASGOW, G21 4BP



In attendance: Lynsey Neilson (Glasgow's Golden Generation), Anne McLvain (EDVA), David White (Social Security Scotland), Courtney Thomas (Rosehill Housing), Gordon Giles (Knightswood Community Centre), Emma Porter (Springburn High School), James Higgins (East Dunbartonshire Leisure and Culture Trust), Jodie Wilkinson (Glasgow Film Theatre), Frances Doran (St Thomas' Playgroup), Marie Galligan (Pacific Care Ltd), Rowena Statt (Anderson Bell Christie), Jane Carrel (The National Lottery Community Fund).

Apologies: Margaret Graham McDonald (The Health & Social Care Alliance), Karen Moyes (Glasgow's Golden Generation), Patricia Cortés Cuadrado (University).

Generations Working Together discussed the aims behind intergenerational projects and defined the term as there were many attendees new to intergenerational work. Examples were discussed such as Cycling Without Age, Life Story, Tall Ship and Intergenerational Quiz. Generations Working Together advised that we are currently looking for more examples of intergenerational work for case studies and article.

GWT National Update:

Generations Working Together 2020 conference is being held soon, on Wednesdays the 4th of March 2020. The conference will take place from 9:00am - 3:30pm at The Technology and Innovation Centre, University of Strathclyde, 99 George Street, Glasgow, G1 1RD. The cost is £70 for members and £85 for non-members. It will include workshops, taking tables, intergenerational Q&A and intergenerational awards. Some topics include intergenerational cohousing, climate reduction, evaluation and places and spaces. Bookings are open on our website

<https://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/national-conference-2020-04-03-2020>.

Intergenerational Training - We are delivering both one day intergenerational training and online 7 week training. Current training locations in the next few months include Scottish Borders, Argyll & Bute and Tayside. Members from this network are welcome to come and book for any of these. Cost of training starts from £50 and can be booked online

<https://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/training>. The online training called International Certificate in Intergenerational Learning, ran jointly with the University of Granada is done completely online with a tutor and starts on 28th of April. Cost is £160 to GWT members. To learn more and register visit the website <https://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/international-certificate-in-intergenerational-learning-edition-5-28-04-2020>.

Impact Evaluation Exercise – Research is currently being undertaken by Dr Ali Sommers on the intergenerational networks and the views of members and coordinators. For members who have not filled out the questioner this can be downloaded from our website

<https://generationsworkingtogether.org/news/gwt-need-your-help-for-evaluation-25-11-2019>.

North West Learning Glasgow event – Attendees were told about the event taking place next week, 18th of February in Glasgow Clyde College. The event will consider topics such as community learning development and English for Speakers of Other languages. To contact organisers or to get information

on the next event please see the event page <https://allevents.in/glasgow/north-west-learning-partnership/1000090595773397>.

Presentation- Jane Carrel did a presentation on different funding strands available from the National Lottery Community Fund. Funding is available from £300 to £1 million and there are some intergenerational project opportunities. Some of the applications are online only. More information can be found on www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk.

Sharing and Networking

- **Lynsey Neilson, Dementia Development Manager from Glasgow's Golden Generation** talked about the work of the charity, including current intergenerational initiatives and day centres. She has recently started a Hen project which has been beneficial for people with dementia. There are similar projects across the UK, but this is a first one in Glasgow. Lynsey discussed the importance of a good risk assessment and has invited people to ask more or visit the project. More information can be found on the charity on their website <https://glasgowgg.org.uk/>.
- **Courtney Thomas, Public Engagement Coordinator from Rosehill Housing** said he is currently developing a resident panel and is looking for ideas to bring tenant together. The group has some suggestions including doing pizza nights, holding them in the evening and ensuring they were parent friendly.
- **James Higgins, Development Officer from East Dunbartonshire Leisure and Culture Trust** discussed a project that took place in the area which involved bring together young LGBT + people with older men in the area to build a boat. This project helped to bring the groups together with an artist and although there were initial challenges the barriers were broken as the project developed. Videos of the project can be found on the website on the council <https://www.eastdunbarton.gov.uk/news/project-makes-splash-first-boat-built-kirkintilloch-nearly-60-years>.
- **Gordon Giles, Development Officer from Knightswood Community Centre** has said that since the old Knightswood swimming pool has closed the public has voted to use the space as an intergenerational resource. Gordon is at the early stages of developing this and has ask anyone with ideas to get in touch with him.
- **Rowena Statt from Anderson Bell Christie architects** discussed the need for community and intergenerational spaces in housing and talked about some older examples of houses and how we can be inspired by them for future building and design.
- **Emma Porter**, a local school pupil mentioned she is very interested in doing an intergenerational project in Springburn. She has mentioned her current community building work and is looking for topics and ideas she can use to bring people together.
- **Jodie Wilkinson from Glasgow Film Theatre** mentioned Movie Memories (a project that ensures screening is dementia friendly) <https://glasgowfilm.org/plan-your-visit/venue-access/movie-memories> and the Glasgow Film Festival (taking place between 20th of February – 3rd of March) <https://glasgowfilm.org/glasgow-film-festival>.

Next meeting:

Wednesday 27th May 2020, 10:00am - 12:00pm at The Albany 44 Ashley Street, Glasgow G3 6DS. This will be a special meeting with the Soil Association focussing on food. Bookings for this are open now <https://generationsworkingtogether.org/events-training/glasgow-network-meeting-in-partnership-with-teh-soil-association-and-food-for-life-get-togethers-27-05-2020> .