

Draft minute of the meeting of TSWG held at 11.30am in the Board Room at Anchor Buildings, Kirkwall.

Present: Gail Anderson, Frazer Campbell, Erika Copland, Simon Gordon, Iain McCormack, Helen Moss, Sue Sulat, Sue Ward.

In attendance: Hannah Kerr (VAO – Observing), Shirley Ellis (minute)

1 Welcome and Apologies

Gail welcomed members and thanked them for attending.

Apologies had been received from: Ali Gunn, Ben Lindsey, Andy Spence-Jones and Olivia Tait.

2 Notes of Previous Meeting (29th August 2013)

The minute was accepted as a true and accurate record, proposed by Sue S and seconded by Simon Gordon.

3 Matters Arising

Page 1 GIRFEC – Gail advised members that Orkney had been chosen as a demonstration area. No date has been set for commencement of the project, it was thought it could begin mid-October.

Page 1 Item 4 – Gail advised that the revised Integrated Children’s Services Plan was being updated and would be reviewed at the end of March 2014.

Page 2 Item 5 - MADD (Make a Difference Day) – Kasha is has been contacting representatives of OHAC to ensure they are involved in the event. Members will be kept up to date with progress of any arrangements.

Page 2 – Item 6 - Members had received the Action Log which related to the Rehabilitation and Enablement Group for information. The event being held on 1st October at SELBRO would hopefully clarify where third sector fits into the patient journey.

It was thought the MADD event would go towards showing the range of health and care services which are currently provided by TS organisations.

There was discussion about the need to ensure discharge was co-ordinated and included relevant third sector organisations. In regard to a hot desk space being provided at the hospital, in order to avoid confusion, it was thought that organisations would have to work in collaboration to draw up a plan, to say when each organisation would use the facility. Gail thought it advisable to appoint a lead person who could liaise with the Discharge team at the hospital. This approach had been successful in other areas.

Page 3 Item 7 Gail had attended the Our Islands, Our Vision Conference and reported that it was a very interesting event which in part had given the European dimension of island autonomy.

4 **Third Sector Conference – Issues for discussion.**

Gail had attended a Third Sector Conference where a number of issues which were pertinent to the TSWG had been discussed. Members discussed each agenda sub-heading from which came the following points:

- Discussions had touched on support and mentoring issues which were on-going agenda items for TSWG meetings.
- Moving forward the expectation is very much focussed on partnership working and developing relationships across the sectors.

Gail commented on the change of focus over the years which had seen organisations concentrating their efforts on applying for funding rather than undertaking events to raise funds. Sue W added that she thought fundraising was as much about awareness raising as it was about raising money.

Social enterprises had been discussed and it was thought by some that social enterprise objectives were not always achievable if a project stood alone.

- Investment in local third sector organisations could show local funders that in the long run such investment could save money. Although members thought it was difficult to prove and evidence that preventative actions can work.
- Responding to commissioning opportunities was something which members would need to practice. Both VAO and Age Concern had submitted formal tenders and agreed that PQQs (Pre Qualifying Questionnaires) could be a barrier.
- OSCR – Gail reported that there were no real changes, except work was being undertaken on charitable objectives which currently do not fit with rural economic development (Development Trusts).
- Self-Directed Support – Gail explained that this is when people are free to choose and buy in their own support. Gail has information for circulation.

Action: Gail to circulate Self-directed Support information to members.

Contact Gail for further information which is available from the conference.

5 **Organisational Update**

Deferred to next meeting.

6 **AOCB**

- Gail had received an email from Ross Groundwater in regard to the sensory room at the new Lifestyle Centre. Members who would like to support the facility were asked to contact Ross directly.
- Gail noted that Gerd had circulated the SPICe report.
- An information sharing template from Childrens' Services was circulated to members. The form is intended to be the start of the information sharing process. This will also be part of the GIRFEC work. Members were asked to send comments/suggestions about the form to Gail.

Frazer left the meeting at 11.35.

7 Date of Next meeting

Members discussed frequency of TSF and TSWG meetings. It was agreed that members were happy to check when the meetings were scheduled for and allow for movement as appropriate.

The meeting closed at 12.35pm.