

Minute of the Third Sector Forum meeting held at 11am on Wednesday 22nd May 2013 in the McGillivray Room at Orkney Library and Archive.

Present: Inga Croy (Chair), Gail Anderson (VAO), Peter Cockburn (Kirkwall Bowling Club), Linda Lennie (OAAS), Sue Ward (Age Concern Orkney), Simon Gordon (OACAS), Helen Moss (Relationship Scotland Orkney), Jack Moodie (OIC) and Kris O'Brien, (The Venue).

In attendance: Rachel Peace (minute)

1 Welcome

Inga welcomed those present and thanked them for attending.

2 Apologies

Apologies had been received from Olivia Tait, Peter Scott, Jayne Traynor, Michael Moar, Michelle Koster, Sue Sulat, Iain McCormack, Jan Judge, Bashir Hasham, Gerd Peters, Derek Aiken, Erika Copland and Andy Spence-Jones.

3 The Venue (presentation by Kris O'Brien)

Inga welcomed Kris who had joined the Forum to give information on 'The Venue'. Kris began by giving a detailed account of his experience in the industry and explaining why he thought Orkney was lacking an appropriate creative learning centre. Kris explained he wanted to establish an environment where people of all ages and abilities felt safe to be creative and expressive. Kris went on to say that they're very keen to develop community arts projects and events using their own resources and are currently in the process of organising several one-day outdoor events. Kris gave a very informative presentation and finished by saying 'The Venue' are willing to work with all sectors, no affiliation, politically or environmentally.

4 Minutes of the last meeting

The minutes were approved as a true and accurate record proposed by Linda Lennie and seconded by Peter Cockburn.

5 Matters Arising

i) Item 7 (b) – Change Fund for Older People

Gail informed members that Kasha Jarosz had been successful in being selected for the new post and would start her new position on 27th May.

ii) item 7 (g) - Credit Union

A link providing information on the credit union is to be added to the VAO website.

iii) item 7 (g) – Sexual Health Strategy Group

Gail informed members that Lyndsey Johnson is now the third sector representative for the sexual health strategy group.

6 Partnerships

a) Draft Single Outcome Agreement

Comments from groups had been submitted and the document is available to view on the OIC website.

b) Rehabilitation and Enablement Services

Gail stressed how important it was for the third sector to be involved which was to be discussed further at the next TSWG meeting. It was noted that insufficient notice was given to scheduled meetings resulting in groups being unable to attend.

Action: Gail

c) Orkney Health and Care Presentation Slides

Had been issued to members for information.

d) All Age learning Disability Blueprint

The report circulated had been based on previous research. Further discussions to be held at the next TSWG meeting and information brought back to the next TSF meeting.

e) Domestic Abuse Forum

Members were informed that the forum had been re-established with a good balance of third sector members. Helen Moss asked to be added to the forum.

f) Autism Strategy

It was unclear what the third sector involvement was. Gail to check with other groups.

Action: Gail

g) Other

NHS Health Scotland active and healthy plan - information to be circulated to members.

Services for Children & Young People – a report has now been sent out which will be circulated to members.

Action: Gail

7 'Meet the Regulator' visit from OSCR

Gail informed members that OSCR had held a session on 'charity law issues' at VAO on 21st May which had been useful to VAO and groups that attended. OSCR then held a session on 22nd May with The Isles Development Trusts based on 'rapid growth & how to manage it'.

8 AOCB

New Build – Gail updated members on the new build and explained the OIC meeting had been deferred until September.

CRBS Checks – Simon Gordon queried how CRBS did checks and which volunteers they were relevant to. Helen Moss commented that counsellors and mediators weren't checked unless they're working with children or vulnerable adults. It was agreed to hold a presentation on CRBS at the next TSF meeting.

SLA's – Gail commented that all groups had now received their Service Level Agreement.

Action: Gail

Gail gave a vote of thanks to Inga Croy, Chairperson of TSF meetings and explained to members she was retiring from the board. Inga thanked members for the privilege of being part of the board.

9 Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 24th July at 11am in the McGillivray Room at Orkney Library and Archive.