

The Scottish Parliament's Cross Party Group on Older People, Age and Ageing

Minutes

AGM- 11th June 2014

1. Present

Present- Sandra White MSP, Fiona McLeod MSP, Hannah Lister (Age Scotland), Owen Miller (Alzheimer Scotland), Beth Ferguson (Centre for Cognitive Ageing and Epidemiology, University of Edinburgh), Robin Morton (CCACE), Andrew Lindsay (Big Lottery Fund), Heather Noller (Carer's Trust Scotland), Phillipa Faulkner (HIV Scotland), Katherine Brookfield (University of Edinburgh), Ramandeep Kaur (intern, Sandra White MSP's office), Andrea Bociooga (SIAA), Murial Mowat (SIAA), Tessa Law (Housing Options Scotland), Diana Findlay (SOPA), Aileen Bryson (RPS), Ann Proudfoot (Hollies Day Centre Musselburgh), Mariola Tarrega (QM University), Christos Theodorakopoulos (QM University), Yolanda Strachan (Age Scotland), Ursula Martindale (Physiotherapist-AGILE CSP Prof. network)

Apologies- Nanette Milne MSP, Elaine Murray MSP, Glenda Watt (SOPA)

2. Convenor's Welcome

3. Minutes from last meeting were agreed

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4. Election Of office bearers

Were as follows-

Convenor- Sandra White MSP -nominated by Hannah Lister, seconded by Ursula Martindale. No other nominations.

Co-Convenor- Nanette Milne MSP- nominated by Sandra White MSP, seconded by Yolanda Strachan. No other nominations

Secretary- Hannah Lister (Age Scotland) - nominated by Sandra White MSP, seconded by Owen Miller. No other nominations.

Treasurer- Yolanda Strachan –nominated by Sandra White MSP, seconded by Robin Morton (CCACE). No other nominations.

5. Proposals and agreement of topics for future meetings.

There was much discussion on potential future meeting topics. Proposals were-

- 1) Sandra White MSP- review of the 'Somewhere to go, something to do' report. The Minister, Shona Robison, had signalled to Sandra White in the debate about the positive contribution that older people make to society debate, that she would attend a future CPG meeting, where this document would be reviewed and discussed. Sandra's office to check the Minister's availability.
- 2) Muriel Mowat- suggested the results of a piece of research on the impact of advocacy for older people could be presented to the CPG in October
- 3) Yolanda Strachan and Christos Theodorakopoulos- regarding osteoporosis
- 4) Katherine Brookfield- Mobility mood and place- would like to present the findings of their research on age friendly environments- by a collaboration of universities
- 5) Philippa Faulkner- would like a discussion on sexual health and well-being of older people in Scotland
- 6) Aileen Bryson- would like a discussion on dementia and the clinical role for pharmacists including pharmacy guidelines
- 7) Andrew Lindsay- Big Lottery fund- is always looking for people to complete the survey on 'Your voice, Our Vision' - a link will be sent around to the completion of this online.
- 8) Owen Miller- future of residential care in Scotland- continuing care report
- 9) Robin Morton- suggested a general topic of healthy ageing which would look at positive healthy ageing, particularly maintaining a healthy active brain.

How the CPG could attract more press coverage was also discussed. Including establishing a twitter account for the CPG on Older people, age and ageing, and a hash tag.

The time of future meetings has been changed to 1.15pm-2.15pm, so that MSPs find it easier to attend.

6. Future Meetings

Future meetings of the CPG will be held on-

Wednesday 8th October 1pm Committee Room 2

Wednesday 10th December 1pm Committee Room 1

Wednesday 4th February 2015 1pm Committee Room 1

