



Glasgow and West of Scotland
Forum of Housing Associations

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GWSF FREE ANNUAL SUMMER REGENERATION CONFERENCE

'The Year of Young People in Scotland: celebrating the work that CCHAs do with young people in their communities.'

Friday 15th June: Cadder Community Centre

Draft Conference Programme

The Year of Young People 2018 aims to inspire Scotland through its young people: applauding their achievements; valuing their contribution to communities; and creating new opportunities for them to shine locally, nationally and globally.

This year our annual summer regeneration conference will celebrate the Year of Young People. Delegates will hear from a range of interesting and thought-provoking plenary speakers, young people themselves via a panel session, and from our members who will showcase their initiatives at our ever-popular café sessions.

Morning plenary - speakers include:

+ Maree Todd MSP, Minister for Childcare and Early Years (invited – tbc)

As keynote speaker the Minister will outline the Scottish Government's aims and aspirations for the Year of Young People.

+ Marguerite Hunter Blair – Chief Executive, Play Scotland

Marguerite will talk about the importance of play for all children and young people in Scotland. She will also discuss Play Scotland's work which is focused on creating increased play opportunities in every community.

Afternoon plenary:

+ Panel session with young people

Delegates will hear from young people themselves on their achievements and aspirations, the work they do in their communities, and on the challenges they face.

+ Loki aka Darren McGarvey – rapper, hip hop artist, novelist and social commentator

Loki will offer his unique perspective on what it means to grow up as a young person in Scotland.

Café sessions – (Please note - delegates should choose 3 café sessions to attend)

1. Creative Pathways – Barrhead HA/Impact Arts

Creative Pathways (CPs) is an employability programme, which is a close collaboration between Barrhead Housing Association and Impact Arts which uses the power of arts and creativity to inspire and motivate young people in Barrhead. The session will give delegates the chance to hear more about how CPs ensures that young unemployed people from Barrhead are able to engage in a programme that is creative, influential, dynamic and productive. The programme uses a creative, entrepreneurial approach to increase skills that are relevant to employers and relevant to the current growth area in creative industries highlighted by the Scottish Government. Taking the form of full-time workshops over a 12 week period, professional artists lead varied creative activities for 16-24 year olds who are not in employment, education or training.

Delivered by:

- Bryan Dando: Community Regeneration Officer, Barrhead Housing Association
- Fiona Doring: Director, Impact Arts

2. Year of Young People Activities – Cassiltoun HA

To celebrate the Year of Young People Cassiltoun HA are focusing their efforts in 2018 on a range of activities and programmes for young people which importantly have been influenced and co-designed by young people from across the Castlemilk community. This includes outdoor education, training and volunteer programmes, summer arts and creative activities, a quarterly competition celebrating young people, and the first year of our Community Bursary. Come along to this session to hear how Cassiltoun have captured the views of young people and how it has assisted the young people's 'Meet Up Group' to apply for funds and to get them involved with delivery.

Delivered by:

- Clair Malpas: Regeneration Manager, Cassiltoun HA
- Paddy McKenna: Community Development Officer, Cassiltoun HA

3. Community Based Employment Training – Linstone HA

Linstone HA delivers an employment and training programme involving 32 young people. The programme takes advantage of the supportive working environment of the HA to offer a transitional workplace for those in the local community, including Linstone tenants, in need of an intermediary environment as a stepping stone to gaining permanent work. Each week the employees engage in 3 days paid, mentored, work experience. In addition, vocational accreditations and employability support are delivered in partnership with training providers. This cafe session, with feedback from participants, will explain how the programme is funded and coordinated, as well as Linstone's plans for the future.

Delivered by:

- Carol Gemmell: Community Regeneration Officer, Linstone HA
- Chris McNally: CBET Coordinator, Linstone HA

4. Homework & Cooking Club – New Gorbals HA

Alongside partners Urban Roots and the local Health Improvement Team, New Gorbals HA provides this opportunity for young people and their families to come together. The focus is on helping to improve both educational attainment and cooking skills. The format is 1 hour homework, 1 hour cooking time followed by a shared meal for all the families. The session

will update delegates on how the Club operates and on the positive outcomes for participants.

Delivered by:

- Ailsa Clark: New Gorbals HA
- John Harkins: Health Improvement Team

5. Community Chest Fund – Queens Cross HA

Queens Cross HA's 'Getting to Know You.' surveys carried out with tenants (in 2012/13, and 2017) provided a range of invaluable information. This included details about tenants' health, income, fuel costs, household size, ethnicity, languages and economic status. Findings from the 2017 survey highlighted that many families could not afford to pay for their children or teenagers to attend activities or clubs. The Association responded by setting up its 'Community Chest Fund' which offers small grants (up to £150) to any young person under the age of 25 living or attending school in Queens Cross HA's area of operation. Come along and hear more about the fund.

Delivered by:

- Margaret Brannan: Business Strategy Manager, Queens Cross HA

6. Working with local schools - Reidvale HA

Since October 2017 Reidvale Youth Hub has worked in close partnership with local primary and secondary Schools in the area to provide young people with the opportunity of completing a Youth Scotland First Aid Ready Programme, and alongside this a chance to complete a Dynamic Youth Award. Reidvale HA provides funding for both of these activities. So far in the last academic year 98 young people in local schools have completed the First Aid course, the Dynamic Youth Award or High 5 Awards. On top of this 18 young people from St Mungos completed a one-day training course to become peer educators, in order to teach their peers First Aid. Come along and hear more about this success story.

Delivered by:

- Vicky Hemsley-Scoular: Youth Development Worker

7. Creating a local park - Southside HA/SWAMP

Southside HA is working with young people at Moss Heights in relation to a local Park the Association is creating. Southside are taking this forward with SWAMP who are facilitating the sessions with young people. SWAMP's aims are to enhance cultural awareness, promote social inclusion and build community spirit and its model is based on inclusion through creation. Attendees at this fun, interactive session will learn more about the creative ideas that the project uses and also hear from young people themselves.

Delivered by:

- Pauline Fletcher: Community Initiatives Manager, Southside HA
- Andy Peline: SWAMP Glasgow



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BOOK YOUR PLACE NOW!

Please book places for the following people (*list your delegates in priority order, in case we have to limit the number of places per organisation due to high demand*):

Delegate Name	Committee/Staff	3 café session choices (in order of preference)

Please mark * against delegates who have any specific requirements relating to mobility, dietary needs etc. We will then contact you to ensure that we can meet these requirements.

Booking Contact Name	Organisation	Email address

Please email completed booking forms to: eleanor.mccormack@gwsf.org.uk

If you have any queries please contact the GWSF office on – 0141 946 0645