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**Hello, and welcome to the latest issue of CHEX-Point Snippets.** As always, this issue contains all the latest news and information relating to community-led health. **If you would like to be mentioned in Snippets please send us your own news from your work locally.** Click [here](#) if you would like to view this e-bulletin as a PDF or read any previous issues of Snippets.

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The next issue of Snippets will be **Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> August** so please send anything you would like to be included before Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup>. You can send information/material for inclusion in CHEX-Point Snippets by sending an email to [andrew@scdc.org.uk](mailto:andrew@scdc.org.uk) or phoning 0141 222 4837. CHEX-Point Snippets is provided by CHEX – Community Health Exchange and compiled by Andrew Paterson. Thanks to all contributors to this edition.

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## **CHEX News**

### **Routes to Sustainability**

CHEX is delighted to announce that the Third Edition of our 'Routes to Sustainability' publication is now available. The [first edition](#) produced back in 2007, was a resource pack of pull-out sections which highlighted a different aspect of the support services and resources, both national and local, which could help community-led health initiatives with securing long term sustainability and the content was streamlined and revised for our [second edition](#) produced in 2011.

In this [NEW Third Edition](#) the content has been comprehensively revised to take account of new and essential resources which have appeared in the interim, while retaining material which we believe to still be of relevance.

In order for us to ensure that the information within 'Routes to Sustainability' remains relevant and up to date, we would welcome your assistance in identifying any additional information that you may have found to be useful and which you think would be of help to others. We hope that the publication will continue to be an invaluable resource for the CHEX network. Please contact [olivia@scdc.org.uk](mailto:olivia@scdc.org.uk) for further information.

### **Invitation to join CHEX-Point Editorial Board**

CHEX are inviting applications to join the CHEX-Point Editorial Board. CHEX-Point is our quarterly newsletter which goes out to over 1500 readers across Scotland. The Editorial Board meets quarterly to decide on content for the [CHEX-Point Newsletter](#).

As the Newsletter profiles good practice and policy issues the Board reflects a mixture of interests in health improvement and community development. Editions of CHEX-Point may reflect a single theme or cover a range of topics, identified by the Board. Articles are written by organisations from the CHEX network and a range of different health agencies. Our readership of approximately 1500 people typically includes community-led health initiatives, voluntary organisations, NHS staff, local authorities, researchers and interested individuals. Read CHEX-Point [here](#).

We want to hear your great ideas for the newsletter and help us ensure we cover the issues you are interested in as our network. If you are interested in becoming a member of the Editorial Board then please get in touch with [olivia@scdc.org.uk](mailto:olivia@scdc.org.uk).

### **CHEX at the Scottish Learning Festival**

CHEX will be delivering a workshop on our Health Issues in the Community (HIIC) course for Youth and Schools as part of a Fringe Programme of events in the CLD Village at this year's Scottish Learning Festival. Visitors will have the chance to hear how HIIC has been adapted for use in a school or community setting for young people and hear from the tutors who have delivered it in their area.

For those of you who are unfamiliar with the course, HIIC is a training programme aimed at increasing community capacity, increasing community participation, and establishing/ consolidating community development approaches to tackling

inequalities in health. Read more about HIIC [here](#). For news about the next HIIC Tutor Training course in October, [click here](#).

Go to the [Conferences section](#) of Snippets or general information on the CLD village at the Scottish Learning Festival.

### **Scaling-up evidence of community-led health – a consultation paper**

Those who work in community-led health know it is an effective approach to tackle health inequalities at a local level. Moreover, many community-led health organisations conduct regular and effective evaluation of their work. But, unless this evidence can be systematically gathered, organised and presented, there is a high likelihood that some national and local policy makers will remain sceptical and apprehensive about long term investment in such approaches and prioritising resources in this area.

CHEX has drafted a paper around scaling up the full impact of community-led work across the country that outlines the potential to compile and present the evidence to decision-makers. However, we need to know if there is a need or an appetite from community-led organisations to participate in such a programme. To this end we would very much welcome your feedback and ideas on the merit of such a programme.

[Click here to download the paper](#). If you would like to contribute to its development, please respond with your feedback before **Friday 28th September**. Email your comments to [andrew@scdc.org.uk](mailto:andrew@scdc.org.uk). You may find the questions at the end of the paper a helpful starting point.

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## **General Information**

### **Developments in land reform**

Promising a 'radical rethink' in the area of land reform, the Scottish Government has announced a new Land Reform Review Group to oversee a wide ranging review of land reform in Scotland. The Group, chaired by Convener of SCVO, Dr Alison Elliott will pay particular attention to looking at ways in which the growth of successful community land buy-outs in rural Scotland can be replicated in urban communities. It is anticipated that the group will have finalised a report recommending legislative changes by the end of 2013.

In addition to Dr Elliott, current members of the group include the author and long standing critic of current land policy Professor James Hunter of the University of the Highlands and Islands and Dr Sarah Skerratt of the Scottish Agricultural College. More additions will be made in future. Read more on the [Scottish Government website](#).

See the [funding section of Snippets](#) for information on the new £6m Scottish Land Fund

### **Helping older people garden in their own homes in Dundee**

The Reshaping Care team in Dundee (Care & Repair, Dundee) would like to hear from you. They have identified that maintaining a garden or window boxes may be an

issue for older people. If you are interested in helping or know of a community project who could assist, please contact Alice Burns, Healthy Homes Project Reshaping Care for Older People Change Fund, phone 01382 564755, 01382 201111, mob 07772 893990 or email [aliceburns@craigowl.com](mailto:aliceburns@craigowl.com)

### **New action research resource**

Institute for Research and Innovation in Social Services (IRISS) has produced an animated video on how action research can help to deliver better services. The 'creative storyboard' aims to explain what action research is and how it can help to improve public services. It uses the example of Cedar (Children experiencing domestic abuse recovery) to talk through how action research can be useful and offers some hints and tips for those thinking about undertaking action research themselves.

The storyboard was written and narrated by Cathy Sharp (Research for Real) with support from IRISS. [Watch the action research creative storyboard](#) on the IRISS website. [Learn more about how to create a storyboard.](#)

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## **Consultations and Surveys**

### **Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill – some thoughts**

Readers of Snippets may well be familiar with the Scottish Government's [Consultation on the Proposed Community Empowerment and Renewal Bill](#), which we have featured regularly over the last few months. CHEX's parent organisation, SCDC, is currently preparing its own response and has had an initial discussion to identify what it thinks are the key issues raised in the consultation papers. SCDC has written a paper summarising these issues which you can [download here](#). By circulating this paper, SCDC hopes to flag up some of the issues that others may wish to consider and respond to in their own submission.

The latest news on the Bill is that the Scottish Government have now produced an accompanying website called [Our Great Ideas](#). The website allows local community projects to upload text and images in order to highlight the work they are currently doing in and with Scotland's communities.

In addition, Community Development Alliance Scotland (CDAS) has made available material from its conference on the Bill held in June at Anniesland College in Glasgow (with the support of the College, the Scottish Government and the Scottish Community Development Centre). [Click here](#) to read more and access the conference report, presentations, workshop notes and participants' comments.

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## **Publications**

### **Putting asset based approaches into action**

Glasgow Centre for Population Health has launched its second briefing paper

focusing on asset based approaches. 'Putting asset based approaches into action: identification, mobilisation and measurement of assets' aims to present and discuss a range of methods and techniques which can be used to mobilise individual and community level assets. It suggests use of participatory outcome focused planning and evaluation approaches such as [ABCD](#) and [LEAP](#) as appropriate models for evaluating an assets approach.

The paper can be accessed on the [GCPH website](#). A full report of the Centre's case study research, 'Assets in Action: Illustrating Asset Based Approaches for Health Improvement', will be published shortly. Read more about an [assets based approach](#).

### **Good Life, Good Death, Good Grief information leaflets**

National palliative care alliance, Good Life, Good Death, Good Grief has launched a set of 10 information leaflets on different dimensions of palliative care. The resources are part of the organisation's efforts to make Scotland a place where people can be open about and support each other through death, dying and bereavement. They can be accessed at [http://www.goodlifedeathgrief.org.uk/content/online\\_resources/](http://www.goodlifedeathgrief.org.uk/content/online_resources/).

Good Life, Good Death, Good Grief was established by the [Scottish Partnership for Palliative Care](#) and is hosted by that organisation.

### **Childrens weight management e-book**

'Supporting Your Child to Reach a Healthy Weight' is an e-book aimed at supporting families and their wider circle to manage the day to day issues arising from managing healthy weight issues. The author, Clare Cairney, has organised local community groups in her Scottish home village to help support families whose children have body-weight issues. Clare herself is founder of Healthy Happy Humans.

The advice and information in this handbook comes from hands-on experience and from discussions with parents and children. It aims to offer simple, easy-to-read common sense advice which should help families deal with the practical and emotional issues involved in weight management and healthy eating for children. View more and purchase [online](#).

### **Other e-bulletins**

CHEX would like to point you in the direction of other e-bulletins relevant to community-led health. Some interesting bulletins this fortnight are:

- [August's CDAS \(Community Development Alliance Scotland\) bulletin](#), containing updates on community development policy, funding, research and publications.
- NHS Health Scotland has published the [July edition of Wellbeing in Sexual Health \(WISH\)](#), with details of a sexual health website for men in Tayside, information on NHS policy on gender reassignment and links to further resources.

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## **Funding**

**Co-operative Community Fund**

The Co-op provides grants of £100 to £2,000 to community, voluntary, or self-help groups to run projects that address a community issue; provide a good long-term benefit to the community; support co-operative values and principles and are ideally innovative in their approach. Applications can be submitted at any time. See the [Co-op website](#) for details

### **Action Earth Grant**

The CSV Action Earth campaign runs until the end of November, supported by SNH (Scottish Natural Heritage). The campaign offers up to £500 to cover plants, materials, tools and expenses and can make a big difference.

CSV Action Earth Awards are grants of £250 for projects providing or improving habitats for wildlife, enhancing local nature spots and getting communities volunteering together. CSV Local Nature Reserve Awards of up to £500 are available exclusively for projects taking place on Local Nature Reserves (LNRs) which involve volunteers. Activities can include practical work, celebration days, educational events and wildlife recording.

Grants are allocated on a first come first serve basis. You can apply online, download forms or get more information at <http://actionearth.csv.org.uk>. If you wish to discuss project ideas or discuss any issues relating to the campaign, please contact Robert Henderson on 0131 222 9083 or e: [rhenderson@csv.org.uk](mailto:rhenderson@csv.org.uk)

### **Scottish Land Fund**

The new £6 million Scottish Land Fund [has opened for applications](#). The Fund, delivered by Big Lottery Fund Scotland and Highlands and Islands Enterprise, will work with existing representative community bodies such as voluntary organisations, social enterprises or community councils to develop initial ideas about community ownership and consider the feasibility of taking a project forward. Applications can be made [here](#) at any time until 30 November 2014. Eligible organisations must:

- Be community-led and community-controlled
- Have a social purpose.
- Have an open membership defined by a geographical area.
- Not be profit-distributing.

### **Aberdeen Airport Community Fund**

[Aberdeen Airport Community Fund](#) is giving one local charity or group the chance to win a £50,000 donation. Known as the Trust Challenge Fund, local community groups or charities are invited to apply, explaining exactly what they would do with £50,000 to make a community dream come true. Please email [Aberdeen\\_communityfund@baa.com](mailto:Aberdeen_communityfund@baa.com) to request an application form. Applications must be completed and returned to this address by no later than Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August.

### **Challenge Fund**

The Electoral Reform Society has launched the [Challenge Fund](#), a new scheme to support local democracy groups with their campaigns. This includes campaign work and work that promotes better electoral representation. Click on the link above to find out more.

### **BT Community Connections**

Community groups which help, or want to help, people access the internet and improve their ICT skills could be eligible to receive 12 months free broadband from BT. Silver surfers, after school and youth clubs, even 'IT for the Terrified' groups have

benefitted from an award in the past and BT is now encouraging even more people to get online.

Go to [www.bt.com/communityconnections](http://www.bt.com/communityconnections) to apply for an award. The closing date for applications is Friday 7th September at 5.30pm. If you have any questions please contact BT Community Connections on 0845 257 6792 or [info@btcommunityconnections.com](mailto:info@btcommunityconnections.com).

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## Events

### **Older People's Week (Aberdeenshire)**

International Older People's Week runs from 1<sup>st</sup> October. To mark this, Aberdeenshire Community Planning Partnership is inviting local groups to get involved in celebrating – this could be day care homes, sheltered housing, community centres and so on. Groups seeking to hold an event for Older People's Week should send details of their group and planned event to [lesley.mackenzie@aberdeenshire.gov.uk](mailto:lesley.mackenzie@aberdeenshire.gov.uk). Groups can also publicise their events on Aberdeenshire Council's website at [www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/events/submit.asp](http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/events/submit.asp)

### **East Perthshire Volunteer & Information Fair (Blairgowrie)**

East Perthshire Volunteer & Information Fair 2012 takes place in the Wellmeadow, Blairgowrie on Saturday 8th September 2012, 10.00am – 3.00pm. If you want to highlight your work to the community and are interested in booking a stall read more [here](#).

### **The Green Craggs (Edinburgh)**

Run by Health All Round, 'The Green Craggs' offers the opportunity to explore the Royal Botanic Gardens and Holyrood park whilst learning about specialized & rare plants of rocky places (walks will be tailored to suit level of group).

You will have the opportunity to work in partnership with staff from the Royal Botanic Gardens and a Natural Communities trainee from TCV (The Conservation Volunteers.) Here you will be able to take part in activities such as walks, talks, food foraging skills, photography and art. For further information contact Alan at [alan@healthallround.org.uk](mailto:alan@healthallround.org.uk) or on 0131 537 7530.

### **Arts & health event (Edinburgh)**

'A Year of Art Sessions at the Dean and St Bernard's Clubs' is an art exhibition organised by Occupational Therapist & Artist, Amelia Calvert. It will take place at LifeCare, Stockbridge House, 2 Cheyne Street, Edinburgh on Wednesday 22nd August, 10.30am-12pm. The event is free and aims to inspire! Visit [www.artinhealthcare.org.uk](http://www.artinhealthcare.org.uk) for more on artinhealthcare.

### **NLP and Hypnotherapy (Edinburgh)**

Health All Round is running Hypnosis and NLP (Neuro-linguistic programming) services and is ready to take names for its waiting list. People wishing to use this service at Health All Round should be fully committed to personal change and willing to enter a hypnotic trance if deemed appropriate. Appointments can be made for both these services at Health All Round. A minimum contribution of £5 is encouraged for

this service. Please contact Claire on 537 7530 for more information or to be placed on the waiting list.

### **Community activities programme (Glasgow)**

The Albany Centre's new Community Activities Programme is now available to view online: [http://www.gcvts.org.uk/events/albany\\_community\\_activities](http://www.gcvts.org.uk/events/albany_community_activities). The programme, which runs from mid-August to the end of October, features a vibrant range of activities involving:

- leading a healthier lifestyle
- learning about support and provision in the local area, or
- broadening your horizons, gaining new skills and confidence.

Organisers, Glasgow Council for the Voluntary Sector (GCVS), are keen to involve local voluntary organisations/groups, to:

- Speak at our 'Youth Provision in the Community' event on the 9<sup>th</sup> October, 7pm – 8:30pm
- Participate in our Community Open Day on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> August: <http://bit.ly/AlbanyOpenDay>
- Generally help raise awareness of our programme of activities!

### **“Chap at the Door” (Glasgow)**

As part of GRAND week 2012, FASS (Family Addiction Support Service) is exploring issues experienced by families when faced with addiction and a drug related death. Taking place on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2012 at Glasgow City Chambers, Banqueting Halls, the event will include a drama production by family group members followed by presentations from Strathclyde Police, Procurator Fiscal and the Naloxone team. It's an opportunity to network and discuss the issues directly affecting those families affected by a loved one's addiction.

Registrations & refreshments will start from 10am and the event will begin at 10.30am, finishing 12.30pm. Please confirm your attendance by contacting Brenda Gavigan on 0141 420 2050 or email [brenda@fassglasgow.org](mailto:brenda@fassglasgow.org) no later than Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2012.

### **FREE Family Fun Day (Kelso)**

On Saturday 11 August, 2012, 10:00-15:00 Play Borders offers children and adults the opportunity to take part in free taster sessions of all kinds of activities which are on offer in your area and across the Borders. Activities include an inflatable climbing wall, an interactive dance mat, 'Zumba Tonic' and even Kickboxing!

There will be representatives from Wellybooters, Scottish Football Association and the Scottish Rugby Union plus all kinds of active groups around the Borders, all of them ready to not only encourage you to have a go but also to let you know what's available in your area. Venue - Springwood Park, Kelso, TD5 8LS

### **Volunteering Zone Sessions (Stirling)**

Volunteer Development Scotland are running more information sessions on the Volunteering Zone, an on-line method of registering volunteer roles across local authority areas to appear on the [Volunteer Scotland website](http://www.volunteer-scotland.org). In other words, you can now post your volunteering opportunities directly online and keep them up-to-date yourself. The online service offers a number of benefits including:

- secure online access to opportunities 24/7
- keeping volunteer recruitment information consistent across the country

- assigning access to branches to use volunteer role templates and register them locally
- statistics about how many people are looking at volunteering opportunities across the country

The next sessions take place as follows:

- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August, 10.00am – 12.30pm
- Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September, 10.00am – 12.30pm

In order to book a place please visit [this website](#). All the sessions will take place at VDS in Stirling. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis. If you have any queries, please contact Rebecca Dadge [rebecca.dadge@vds.org.uk](mailto:rebecca.dadge@vds.org.uk) or Tel 01786 479593.

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## Conferences and Seminars

### Merging Charities (Edinburgh)

Finlay Laverty, Senior Head of Business Development at the Princes Trust Scotland will discuss the challenges and opportunities behind merging charities at [Holyrood Magazines](#) Third Sector conference on September 12th. Discussion will centre on the benefits of merging, the challenges behind coming together and how drawing on a single voice can garner your message increased focus.

[Read the agenda online](#) and see the [full list of Speakers](#). If you have any queries or require further information on attending, exhibiting or sponsoring this event please do contact Karen Todd by email [karen@holyrood.com](mailto:karen@holyrood.com) or telephone 0131 272 2175

### Scotland's third sector communications conference (Edinburgh)

'Get the message: Scotland's third sector communications conference' takes place on Thursday 20 September at the John McIntyre Centre, Edinburgh. Organised by SCVO, the conference will provide top tips, training workshops and networking opportunities. The Daily Record, STV, Scotsman, The Social Tailor, Thinktastic and allmediascotland.com will all be in attendance giving workshops and presentations

The conference aims to be affordable to third sector organisations and is £96 for SCVO members or £120 for other third sector organisations. Click for [more information and booking](#).

### World Congress on Active Aging (Glasgow)

The World Congress on Active Aging is taking place in Glasgow from Monday 13<sup>th</sup> August – Friday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2012. This academic conference will also incorporate a variety of performances, activities and information stalls specifically targeted at older people. A Seniors Pass is available on a daily basis (£8) which will allow entry to the conference, key note speakers and "experience zone".

Furthermore, this event launches on the Monday with a "Walk with Me" challenge and a full programme in the Clyde Auditorium which is free for seniors to attend. Please visit [www.wcaa2012.com](http://www.wcaa2012.com) to find out more.

### CLD Village at Scottish Learning Festival (Glasgow)

The Community Learning and Development Fringe Programme and Exhibitor Guide (for the Scottish Learning Festival) is now on the [CLD Standards Council website](#). To register for the Scottish Learning Festival 2012, visit [www.scottishlearningfestival.co.uk](http://www.scottishlearningfestival.co.uk) where you can download the conference programme.

See the [CHEX news](#) above for information on CHEX's involvement in the festival.

### **Physical Disability: doing things differently (Perth & Kinross)**

The Perth & Kinross Joint Physical Disability Strategy Group invite you to attend this event from 12.30pm-5pm in Perth Concert Hall. The Keynote Speaker will be Dr Colin Cameron, Northumbria University "Doing things differently: the need to reconsider what we mean by disability" who will challenge everyone to think beyond the social model of disability. For further information contact Carly Hay, 01738 476775 or e-mail [carly.hay@pkc.gov.uk](mailto:carly.hay@pkc.gov.uk) or Textphone 01738 442573.

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## **Training**

### **Receipts and Payments Training (Dundee and Perth)**

ACIE (association of charity independent examiners) is offering two days' training for anyone -volunteer or paid - who works with or for a charity in Scotland and prepares Receipts and Payments Accounts, or anyone who examines them or who wishes to ensure that their knowledge of the subjects are up-to-date. The days can be attended as stand-alone days or as a two-day course. The two days are:

- Preparation of Receipts and Payment Charity Accounts, Dundee Voluntary Action, 24th August 2012
- Independent Examination of Charity Accounts, Perth Concert Hall, 30th August 2012

Enquiries: contact ACIE tel: 01524 34892, or email: [info@acie.org.uk](mailto:info@acie.org.uk)

### **Literacy, numeracy and IT courses (Fife)**

Stepping Stones is offering these FREE courses which aim to help clients benefit from help with literacy, numeracy or IT. This course is an ideal 'Stepping Stone' to those looking to go further in education. It offers the opportunity to:

- work on any aspect of literacy, numeracy or IT
- work towards qualifications in Communication, numeracy and/or IT, if you wish
- have a guaranteed 3-hour session per week (more in quieter periods)
- gain formal SVQ certificates

Help is available for childcare and travel costs. Stepping Stones sessions are held at Stenton Road Campus Glenrothes, St Brycedale Campus Kirkcaldy, Cosmos Centre St Andrews and Leven Campus. Enrolment is on an on-going basis starting on 3rd September. Karen Wilson, Literacy Link Worker, would be happy to come along to any group and chat about the course and bring along some sample resources. To arrange a visit or for more information about joining a Stepping Stones course please contact Karen at Adam Smith College on 01592 223307 or 07834 482563.

### **Street Audit Training Courses (Glasgow and wider)**

Living Streets Scotland, in partnership with Paths for All, is running 4 free training courses on how to use the tried and tested method of street audits to improve local neighbourhoods. The courses are open to anyone interested in leading their group through the street audit process. By taking part in the one-day course you will learn:

- what makes a walkable community;
- how walkable communities help increase everyday physical activity, i.e. everyday walking;
- how small and larger scale improvements can make a big difference;
- what is involved in the audit process – including trying a sample audit for yourself;
- how to plan for and organise your group to undertake an audit; and
- how best to get results from the audit process.

The first course is in Glasgow on 9 October 2012 with upcoming courses in Alloa, Edinburgh and Inverness. For more information see their [website](#) or contact Janice Gray, Communities Co-ordinator, Living Streets Scotland, 0131 243 2649, [Janice.gray@livingstreets.org.uk](mailto:Janice.gray@livingstreets.org.uk).

### **Social Enterprise Events (Highlands and Islands)**

Highlands and Islands Social Enterprise Zone continues its series of events around the region with the following events coming up:

- Strengthening your Social Enterprise, Inverness, 21 August
- Energising Ideas for All, Oban, 28 August
- Better Business Planning, Ullapool and Stornoway in September

See the full list of events at <http://www.eventbrite.co.uk/org/1179912977?s=5303822>

### **Curriculum for Excellence and Youth Work (Glenrothes, Aberdeen and Irvine)**

This three-hour Youth Scotland training session is a hands-on introduction to Curriculum for Excellence, with a particular focus on the contribution youth work can make to this key education policy. These events are supported by Scottish Government, Education Scotland and are hosted by Local Authority partners. Suitable for youth workers, teachers and anyone else working with young people, participants will:

- Develop their understanding of Curriculum for Excellence and how their work relates to it
- Understand the Curriculum for Excellence experiences and outcomes and to be able to describe their own work in terms of them
- Discover how non-formal learning awards can demonstrate achievement of experiences and outcomes

When and where?

- 28th September 2012, 10am till 1pm, Rothes Halls, Rothes Square, Glenrothes, Fife
- 9 November 2012, 10am till 1pm, Marr Room, Woodhill House Annexe, Westburn Road, Aberdeen/Aberdeenshire
- 16 November 2012, 10am till 1pm, Greenwood Conference Centre, Greenwood Gate, Dreghorn, Irvine, North Ayrshire

This event is free. Cancellation and non-attendance fees apply. [Book your place here](#). To view feedback from the training so far, download the [evaluation summary](#).

### **Connecting Moray**

The aim of this project is to provide training, expertise and equipment to provide a portable web streaming facility that will allow individuals and groups across Moray and beyond to create online conferences, trainings, meetings and community events.

To be able to deliver this project The Findhorn Foundation is offering two free training opportunities to learn the skills needed and this is followed by practical sessions on how to deliver real time events. Training One is on Monday 20th – 24th August 2012 (5 days). Training Two is on Monday 10th -14th September 2012 (5 days). Plus practice sessions between September and January 2012 at various locations around Moray (up to 5 additional days). For more information or to apply, visit [Voluntary Action Moray's website](#) or contact Iain Davidson ([iain.davidson@findhorn.org](mailto:iain.davidson@findhorn.org)) for an application form or call 01309 690 808.

### **Professional Development Award (PDA) in Youth Work (Stirling)**

Linked Work and Training Trust (LWTT) are starting a new Professional Development Award (PDA) in Youth Work in Stirling in September 2012 and are now taking Expressions of Interest. The PDA in Youth Work is a nationally recognised accredited SQA qualification at SCQF Level 6. Course units include:

- Understanding and exploring Youth Work
- Engaging with Young People
- Delivering Youth Work

All sessions will take place at a central location in the Stirling area. For further information or to complete an Expression of Interest Form please contact Pauline Mercer email: [pmercer@lwt.org.uk](mailto:pmercer@lwt.org.uk) or Tel: 01324 489666.

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## **Vacancies**

### **Chairperson (Offices in Alloa and Inverness)**

Paths for All is looking for a new Chairperson as the current Chairman, George Lawrie, will retire in October 2012. The ideal candidate will already be an experienced chairperson, have a good all-round knowledge and experience of the health, active travel and path development agendas in Scotland. The successful candidate will also become a Director of Paths for All and will hold office for a 3-year term initially. The Chairperson and other Director positions are not remunerated but expenses are reimbursed. Go to [www.pathsforall.org.uk](http://www.pathsforall.org.uk) for more information. The closing date for applications is Friday, 17 August 2012. Successful applicants will be contacted by Friday, 24 August and invited to an informal interview.

### **Building Healthy Communities posts (Dumfries and Galloway)**

Building Healthy Communities is recruiting for the following posts:

- Clerical Officer (Data Entry) Self Management Programme (Long Term Conditions, Older People and Carers). 20 Hours per Week – Fixed Term until March 2014. Salary: £14,258 - £17,003 pro rata.
- Self Management Programme Workers (6 posts) Long Term Conditions, Older People and Carers, 18.5 Hours per Week – Fixed Term until March 2014. Salary: £18,402 - £21,798 pro rata.

Informal enquiries to Thomesena Lochhead, Health and Wellbeing Specialist /BHC

Lead: Telephone: 01387 272776 / 07664 316593 or email [tlochhead@nhs.net](mailto:tlochhead@nhs.net). To download application pack(s) please visit the NHS website [www.jobs.scot.nhs.uk](http://www.jobs.scot.nhs.uk) or email [dg.recruitment@nhs.net](mailto:dg.recruitment@nhs.net). Closing Date: 23 August 2012

### **Information Services Manager (Edinburgh)**

Young Scot seeks an Information Services Manager (£25,000) to directly manage Young Scot's Information Services Team and lead on the development and management of key information products and services online and offline, including the roll out of Scotland's National Youth Information Framework and ensuring information is of extremely high quality across all of our online and offline channels.

Further details and the application materials are available from Young Scot on our website at [www.youngscot.net/](http://www.youngscot.net/) or via email at: [recruitment@youngscot.org](mailto:recruitment@youngscot.org) or by telephoning 0131 313 2488. Closing date for the receipt of applications for all posts is noon on Thursday 23rd August 2012.

### **Senior Office – Commissioning, Adult Services (Glasgow)**

Glasgow City Council Social Work Services is seeking to recruit 5 experienced Social Care practitioners to join the Adult Services Commissioning Team within Social Work Services. The Team provides commissioning expertise and leadership in relation to service provision for Adults with Learning Disabilities, Physical Disabilities, Mental Health, and Older People. Key functions of the team include developing Adult Services Commissioning Strategy; promoting & developing commissioning practice; Implementation of the Contract Management Framework; Developing commissioning & contracting practice in a personalised world. Further information and application details are available from <http://www.myjobscotland.gov.uk>

### **Temporary, part time Outreach Services Co-ordinator (Glasgow)**

RNIB seeks an Outreach Services Co-ordinator (£22,221 - £28,636 pro rata, 18hrs per week) to develop and co-ordinate a comprehensive outreach service for adults who have a learning disability and (suspected) sight loss as well as manage a staff team. With strong team leading and communication skills, along with a qualification in care and management deemed appropriate for registration with the SSSC, you will manage and lead a staff team to the highest standard. Access full details at <http://digbig.com/5bghjd>. Closing date for applications: 10 August 2012 2pm  
Interview date: 22 August 2012

### **Senior Youth Worker (Kirkcaldy)**

YWCA Scotland is advertising for a Senior Youth Worker (10 hours per week term time, £10.65 per hour). Initially, the post will run to 31 Dec 2012, with confirmation of contract extension to either June 2013 or June 2015 and potentially up to 4 additional hours per week by early September.

The role involves developing, delivering and evaluating evidence-led sessions to support and develop the knowledge, skills, confidence and aspirations of young women, 8 - 18 in Kirkcaldy. Experience in a similar role (paid or unpaid), ability to lead a team, understanding of the importance of user-involvement and a commitment to the mission, aims and values of YWCA Scotland are essential.

Download an application pack here: <http://digbig.com/5bghkp>, or email [reception@ywcascotland.org](mailto:reception@ywcascotland.org). Closing Date: Thursday, 2 August 2012 at 1 pm.  
Interviews Wednesday, 8 August 2012 in Kirkcaldy. Open to female applicants only.

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## Websites

### Participation & sustainable development in Europe

An initiative of the Austrian Ministry of the Environment, this website promotes and gives guidance on public participation, which may be relevant to anyone working in or interested in community-led health, community engagement, co-production and asset based approaches. The website contains standards of public participation which have been adopted by the Austrian Government. Visit the English version of the site at [http://www.partizipation.at/standards\\_pp.html](http://www.partizipation.at/standards_pp.html)

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