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## **CHEX News**

### **News from the Network - Safe Space Write-athon**

**CHEX-Point Snippets tries to include a piece of news from a CHEX Network organisation in each issue. This time, Pauline McGee from Safe Space in Dunfermline contributes the following article about Safe Space's Write-athon campaign:**

In this depressing climate of cut backs, increasing costs, lack of funding opportunities and concerns about the future, Safe Space in Dunfermline have taken the bull by the horns and launched their own fundraising campaign, the Write-athon. The amount raised so far has totalled an impressive £9,332.75.

The initiative from one of their Directors, Danielle MacLeod, was launched in September 2012 by a panel of renowned authors including Iain Banks, Safe Space Patron.

The idea behind the Write-athon is that everyone has a good book in them but never had an opportunity or confidence to sit and write it. Rather than run a marathon this is the chance to write a marathon with writers signing up for anything from 5,000 words to 52,600 (the ultra marathon) or even a team relay of 26,300 words. A young writers section reduces the word count enabling them to take part.

Danielle said, "It's amazing that everyone has really become involved in the Write-athon and feels confident to ask for sponsorship knowing that they will complete their book. It doesn't involve great physical activity but is the equivalent of a mental marathon"

Safe Space service users want to contribute to the service that supports and understands their needs and feel strongly about the need for its survival.

"This is a fantastic idea to involve us all in fundraising for a service so needed and close to our hearts. Due to sexual abuse as a child I have always been self-conscious about my lack of education and ability to write. Safe Space has given me hope as well as confidence and I know I will achieve so much from taking part in this. Even if I can't raise lots of money it's been fantastic to be part of something bigger without worrying about the outcome. For me this is a winner all round" (Service user)

Authors who have backed the project have offered on-going support through free writers' workshops, letters of encouragement and inspirational ideals to help everyone reach their target.

Manager Pauline McGee has been delighted at the profile of this fundraiser:

"Iain Banks as our Patron is always a fantastic supporter of the work we do and has offered a lot of backing to this initiative. To have best-selling authors, publishers and editors working alongside us has been such a boost to us all and we can't thank them enough"

A grand finale to the Write-athon will be a Race Night at Dalgety Bay Sailing Club on Saturday 11th May 6 -12pm. Tickets £10 available from Safe Space.  
To read more about the Write-athon visit [www.safespacewrite-athon.co.uk](http://www.safespacewrite-athon.co.uk)

### **Launch of the 'Engagement Matrix'**

The launch of the 'Engagement Matrix' at the 'Gathering' on 27th February was welcomed by a positive response from participants at the Health and Social Care Seminar. The Engagement Matrix is a tool & guidance to strengthen engagement between third sector organisations and health boards.

The audience of third sector and public sector representatives heard Clare Stevens, Voluntary Health Scotland, Selina Ross, West Dunbartonshire Interface and Sandra Cairney, East Dunbartonshire CHCP describe the aim of the 'Engagement Matrix' and emphasise its use in collaborative working on the planning and delivery of health and social services.

CHEX was one of the partners who developed the tool through a Scottish Government short life action group. The 'Engagement Matrix' consists of a template for third sector organisations and health boards to complete together and focuses on:

- mapping existing engagement
- identifying where there are gaps
- agreeing what developments could be undertaken

Led by Voluntary Health Scotland, the partners will now work with the network of Health Board leads for the third sector in promoting and supporting use of the tool and guidance. This will help to ensure that both sectors bring together their expertise and experience in the delivery of services. [Click to download the tool.](#)

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## **General Information**

### **Scottish Government response to Integration of Health & Social Partnerships Consultation**

This paper provides a summary of the Scottish Government's response to the key points made by respondents to the integration of adult health and social care consultation, and describes Ministers' thinking with regard to the Bill that will be introduced to the Scottish Parliament later in 2013. It addresses points made in the written responses that were submitted and also draws together a number of key observations that have been made to Ministers and officials during the period of consultation, during public discussion events and at other meetings.

CHEX welcomes the report's emphasis on the need for real engagement with third sector organisations. For example, the Scottish Government states:

*"It is therefore our intention, as respondents have suggested, to legislate for a duty on Health and Social Care Partnerships to 'engage with and involve', rather than merely to 'consult' local professionals, across extended multi-disciplinary health and social care teams, the third and independent sectors, and for representatives of patients, people who use services, and carers regarding how best to put in place local arrangements for planning service provision."*

[View the report on the publications page of the Scottish Government website](#)

### **Mind Waves is recruiting**

Outside the Box's Mind Waves recruiting for new volunteers to be community reporters. The project promotes mental health and wellbeing through positive use of the media. Mind Waves is built around the work of volunteer Community Reporters, who receive training and support to identify and produce stories or more visual ways of getting the message over. For more information about the project and what is involved in being a community reporter please go to [www.otbds.org/mindwaves](http://www.otbds.org/mindwaves).

### **Scottish Welfare Fund**

The Scottish Government has made £33 million available to local authorities to help people in poverty. The newly created Scottish Welfare Fund provides Community Care Grants and Crisis Grants to the disabled, elderly, lone parents and other vulnerable groups. The money is awarded to people facing a financial crisis and in need of short term help, and to help people get essential household items to set up or stay in their own homes, rather than be in care. You can [view a table of how the funding is divided up by local authority](#) on the Scottish Government website. More information, including guidance, is also available on [this Scottish Government page](#).

### **News from other e-bulletins**

[The Scottish Women's Convention February newsletter](#) contains news on International Women's Day 2013 (Sat 9<sup>th</sup> March) and other events, training and resources.

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## **Campaigns**

### **Still Waiting**

Age Scotland's Still Waiting campaign calls for a change to the National Concessionary Travel system so that it meets the needs of all of Scotland's older and disabled people. The following campaign documents are available:

- [Driving Change](#), which details the economic case for including all community transport services within the concessionary travel framework (with a 100% reimbursement rate).
- [Case Studies](#), documenting interviews conducted with older people across the country.

The campaign aims to extend the bus pass scheme to include all community transport routes for older and disabled people and the fares charged by community operators are fully reimbursed. Visit [Age Scotland's website](#) to find out how to support the campaign.

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## Consultations and Surveys

### Scottish Government call for evidence on welfare

The Scottish Government Expert Working Group on Welfare has issued a [Call for Evidence](#) to gather views on:

- The prospective cost of welfare in an independent Scotland at the point of Scotland becoming independent in March 2016
- Arrangements for delivery of benefit payments in an independent Scotland
- The immediate priorities for change

Responses must be submitted by 8 March 2013.

### Dunfermline Public Park consultation

Central Dunfermline Community Council together with the Public Park Improvement Group wants to transform Dunfermline Public Park into a park of high quality, where people want to spend their free time. In addition these partners want to create a park fit for the future; one that is able to cope with the challenges changes in our climate will bring about. [This survey](#) is to find out what you want from your local park, how you use it and what you would like to be able to do there now and in the future.

The Dunfermline Public Park Improvement Group is an informal working group including Fife Council, Central Dunfermline Community Council, Visit Dunfermline and the Dunfermline Carnegie Trust. Greenspace Scotland is working with the Improvement Group to develop Dunfermline Public Park as one of Scotland's emerging climate change parks and there will be more public consultation in spring. Take a look at the Dunfermline Public Park Facebook page [here](#).

### Invitation to North Lanarkshire Voluntary Sector Strategy Consultation Session

North Lanarkshire Voluntary Sector Partnership Group (VSPG), following agreement with other local Community Planning Partners, is currently in the process of developing a new North Lanarkshire Voluntary Sector Strategy covering the period 2013-17.

Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire (on behalf of the VSPG) would like to invite volunteers, voluntary sector organisations and other partners with an interest in community development to a consultation session to support development of the new Strategy document. This will take place on Wednesday 13 March 2013 from 12noon-2pm at Voluntary Action North Lanarkshire's Community Hub (former church building), Kenilworth Avenue, Wishaw, ML2 7LP. The VSPG would very much value the input of as many voluntary sector partners as possible to the new Strategy document. If you would like further information, please contact Craig Russell on 01698 358866 or e-mail [craig.russell@vanl.co.uk](mailto:craig.russell@vanl.co.uk)

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## Publications

### Long-term benefits of cooking classes

A longitudinal study of cooking class participants in Glasgow has found that cooking programmes improve cooking confidence and food consumption patterns over time. Researchers from University of Glasgow and NHS Ayrshire & Arran interviewed participants on cooking programmes delivered by NHS community food workers before and after the intervention, and also followed this up one year later.

The interviews asked about confidence in cooking using basic ingredients, following a simple recipe, tasting new foods, preparing and cooking new foods on consumption of ready meals, vegetables and fruit. Findings showed participants, who were mostly women with nursery age children ate more fruit and vegetables and fewer ready meals a year later. They were also more confident about following a simple recipe. The researchers suggest refresher courses would boost the effects further.

Read more on the [BBC website](#). The report abstract can be read [here](#).

### **This is where it starts**

[This is where it starts](#) is a collection of case studies of work with children and parents in the early years (pre-birth to eight years old) produced by IRISS (Institute for Research and Innovation in Social Services) as part of its Early Years Evidence Project for 2012/13. The case studies are based on in-depth interviews with those working with children and parents in the early years to uncover what professionals perceive supports positive outcomes, early intervention and prevention. The case studies attempt to capture some of the experiential knowledge held by professionals working in the early years, to share this knowledge more widely across the sector and to provide inspiration to others.

An overview report, which explores learning from the seven case studies, is also available. [Read \*This is where it starts\* overview report and case studies](#)

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## **Funding**

### **Climate Challenge Fund**

Keep Scotland Beautiful has announced that the next deadline for applications to the [Climate Challenge Fund](#) is 5 April 2013. Communities across Scotland can apply for grants of up to £150,000 per year to help reduce their carbon footprint and become more energy efficient.

### **The Communities and Families Fund and 2014 Communities**

Last month the Big Lottery stated that its Communities and Families and 2014 Communities funds were undersubscribed. We're not sure if this is still the case but it might be worth checking out.

Communities and Families is a grants programme funded jointly by the Scottish Government and the Big Lottery Fund in Scotland. The fund supports local projects that help families and communities give children the best start in life. There are no deadlines and applications can be submitted at any time. Find out more on [Big's website](#).

2014 Communities is particularly aimed at projects focusing on physical activity as well as sports projects. It offers grants of between £300 and £2,000. See

[http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog\\_2014\\_communities](http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/prog_2014_communities) for more.

### **The Hilden Charitable Fund**

The Hilden Charitable Fund's grant making priorities are: Homelessness, Penal Affairs, Asylum Seekers and Refugees, and Community Based initiatives for Disadvantaged Young People Aged 16 to 25. Preference is given to supporting small community organisations with an income of less than £200,000 per year. For more information, please visit: [Hilden Charitable Fund](#). The next deadline for main grants is 19<sup>th</sup> March 2013.

### **Midlothian Community Safety Partnership funding**

Community groups and agencies seeking financial support for community safety projects and initiatives have the opportunity to apply for funding from the [Midlothian Community Safety Partnership](#). The Community Safety Fund is set annually by Midlothian Council and applications for 2013/14 funding are now being invited. All applications must be received by the council by Monday 8 April 2013.

### **The Recovery Initiative Fund**

The Recovery Initiative Fund offers small grants to support grass roots recovery initiatives in Scotland. Independent recovery groups and organisations can apply for a one off grant of up to £1500 to support their work. Email Lesley Galbraith, Recovery Grants Support Officer, for any questions that relate to the fund at [Lesley@scottishrecoveryconsortium.org](mailto:Lesley@scottishrecoveryconsortium.org) or telephone the SRC office on 0141 226 1662. More information on the fund along with an online application form and downloadable application pack are available at [www.scottishrecoveryconsortium.org](http://www.scottishrecoveryconsortium.org)

### **Tesco Charity Trust - Support for the elderly and/or people with disabilities**

[The Tesco Charity Trust](#) is currently accepting applications for projects supporting the elderly and/or people with disabilities. Community and Voluntary groups can apply for grants apply for grants of between £500 and £4,000. The types of projects supported in the past have included befriending schemes; luncheon clubs; specialist equipment for disabled people; and day trips / social trips - for elderly / disabled people, etc. The Tesco Charity Trust Trustees also consider grant applications at their tri-annual meetings. These grants range between £4,000 and £25,000 and are to support local, national or international projects in areas where Tesco's operate. The closing date for applications is the 31st March 2013.

### **TSB Foundation for Scotland**

TSB Foundation for Scotland is holding a small number of surgeries on Skype which will allow people from anywhere in the country to have an appointment. These will be run in exactly the same way as the Foundation's face to face surgeries, with groups making an appointment in advance for a specific time. To make an appointment call 0131 444 4020 or email [enquiries@tsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@tsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk).

Visit: [www.tsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk](http://www.tsbfoundationforscotland.org.uk) to find out more about funding available, including the Henry Duncan Awards.

### **The Volunteering Support Fund**

The Scottish Government has awarded the Voluntary Action Fund (VAF) the contract to deliver the Volunteering Support Fund, which will see £2.2 million distributed during 2013/14 and 2014/15. The Fund will support third sector organisations to create new volunteering projects, increasing the diversity of volunteers, especially those from disadvantaged groups and improving opportunities, skills and personal development through volunteering. The Fund will also support third sector organisations to enhance their services and improve their capacity to deploy, support and train

volunteers.

Grants will be available through the Volunteering Support Fund to third sector organisations with an income under £250,000 with priority given to those with an income under £100,000. The following grants for activity of up to 12 months will be available:

1. Volunteering Cluster Support Grant– A grant of up to £30,000 for a Cluster of organisations; and
2. Volunteering Support Grant – A grant of up to £10,000 for an individual organisation.

Application packs with further information and application forms will be available on VAF's website at the beginning of April. For further information please [contact VAF](#).

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## Events

### **Grow Forth Local Food Summit (Alloa)**

This summit from Forth Environment Link, on Saturday 16th of March 2013 10am-2pm, takes place at Alloa Town Hall, Marshall, Alloa FK10 1AB. There will be speakers, workshops and the opportunity to have a blether and network. On the menu for this summit:

- Laura Stewart Director of the Soil Association Scotland as keynote speaker
- Opportunity for networking
- Interactive stalls to visit
- Opportunity to be instrumental in the development of the Grow Forth Network and online community map

If you are interested in coming along please complete [this online form](#). If you have any problems with completing the form or wish to speak to us about the event please contact Emily Harvey event co-ordinator on [emily@forthenvironmentlink.org](mailto:emily@forthenvironmentlink.org) or call 01786 449215 or mobile at 07545247489.

### **Feeling Good Festival (Buchan)**

The organisers of Buchan Feeling Good Festival, which runs from 8th to the 17th March 2013, are again looking for assistance to help highlight and promote community activities, groups and local services which help promote health & wellbeing. You can support the festival in a number of ways, for example: by promoting your group, club, service or organisation in the festival programme; by holding a new members session or organising a one off event such as a walk or healthy eating activity. You could link with other groups, do something for another section of the community or simply join in and take part in one of the many festival events.

If you would like further information or if you wish to discuss your ideas please contact Steph or Calvin Little, Public Health Co-ordinator, Maud Resource Centre, Tel: 01771 613990 or email: [calvin.little@nhs.net](mailto:calvin.little@nhs.net)

### **Wisdom in Practice Event (Glasgow)**

Outside the Box is holding an event on Wednesday 13th March at The Albany Learning and Conference Centre, Glasgow, 10:30 – 3:00, as part of the Wisdom in Practice project. The event will bring together members of older people groups and organisations offering services to older people. The aim is to share what people are learning around the possibilities to improve services for older people.

You can find out more on Outside the Box's website: [www.otbds.org/wisdom](http://www.otbds.org/wisdom)

### **Inverclyde Community Awards (Greenock)**

The Inverclyde Community Awards will be presented on the evening of the 25th April 2013 at CVS Inverclyde, Unit 9 Ladyburn Business Centre, 20 Pottery Street, Greenock PA15 2UH. Nominations have now passed and the judging panel will be meeting shortly to shortlist the awards. Look out for features in the Greenock Telegraph that will give you an opportunity to vote for the Voluntary Organisation of the Year award. If you'd like to attend the event tickets are available priced £15. Contact Alexis Hood on 01475 711 733. The Facebook page for the event is [here](#).

### **Inverclyde Third Sector Forum meetings (Inverclyde)**

I3SF is your opportunity to network with others, find out what's happening, influence decisions and develop partnerships. The dates & times for the next meeting of each of the networks is below. Register [here](#) to receive information about venues and the agenda for networks. Upcoming network meetings include the following:

- Intergenerational Activity Thematic Network, 16 April 10am-12
- Older People's Services Thematic Network, 30 April 2-4pm
- Adult Health Services Thematic Network, 16 May 10am-12

There is also a series of Locality Networks running across Inverclyde, bringing together communities and services to identify what communities want and can achieve for themselves.

Read [CVS Inverclyde's latest e-bulletin](#) for more on these, and other, events.

### **Grow Your Group (Portlethen, Aberdeenshire)**

CVSA (Council For Voluntary Services Aberdeenshire) will be hosting the Grow Your Group event this year in Portlethen. This free event aims to provide information, guidance and inspiration for committee members, trustees and anyone else involved in the day-to-day running of community organisations. The emphasis for the day is on putting forward practical options presented by groups that have 'been there, done that and probably got the t-shirt' so that people in the audience can learn directly from others' experiences. There will be speakers, workshops and networking opportunities on the day.

For more information, to book a place or if there are any topics you would like to see covered at the event, please contact Ed Garrett at [ed.garrett@cvs.co.uk](mailto:ed.garrett@cvs.co.uk) or phone 01569 668055.

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## **Conferences and Seminars**

### **ASH Scotland conference (Edinburgh)**

Join ASH Scotland, on June 20<sup>th</sup> & 21<sup>st</sup> at the John McIntyre Conference Centre, Edinburgh, for an international conference exploring the ideas and actions that will drive forward its tobacco-free Scotland agenda.

The event will ask:

- How can we tackle the lingering appeal to young people, and put tobacco firmly out of fashion?
- How can we provide flexible support to communities where quitting is especially difficult?
- What must we do to create an environment that makes tobacco-free the norm?

Visit [ASH's website](#) for more and to book a place.

### **Improving the Health and Well Being of Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities (Glasgow)**

This one-day conference, at Hilton Glasgow Grosvenor Hotel on Friday 26th April 2013, has been developed to be of interest to a multidisciplinary audience of educational, health and social care professionals, voluntary and charity organisations as well as others who care and support people with learning disabilities. The conference offers the chance to refresh knowledge, share good practice, meet key experts and learn new ideas and practical information. For more, contact: Medica Cpd Tel: 0141 270 8097, [carolyn@medicacpd.com](mailto:carolyn@medicacpd.com), [www.medicacpd.com](http://www.medicacpd.com).

### **2nd Festival of Public Health UK (Manchester)**

The Manchester Urban Collaboration on Health is pleased to announce the 2nd Festival of Public Health UK will be taking place at the University of Manchester on July 4th. The Festival proved to be a resounding success last year and organisers say they have taken into account all of the feedback received to make further improvements for this year's event.

Full details of the event can be found at [www.festivalofpublichealth.co.uk](http://www.festivalofpublichealth.co.uk) where you can register and submit abstracts. The abstract submission process is open straight away and it will close on 31st May.

### **Defending our Democracy (Stirling)**

Electoral Reform Society Scotland and the University of Stirling invite you to discuss the role of the media, lobbyists, corporations and information sharing in our democracy. "Defending our Democracy: How do we stop vested interests having too much influence?" is part of ERS Scotland's Democracy Max inquiry. The seminar will cover questions to do with the internet, press regulation, freedom of information interest groups and lobbyists. It will take place on Monday, 18 March 2013, from 18:00 to 20:00, at Stirling University Stirling, United Kingdom Visit the [event's webpage](#) for more information and to book a place.

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## **Training**

### **Joyworks Certified Laughter Yoga Leadership Weekend (Glasgow)**

Joyworks Certified Laughter Yoga Leadership Weekend runs on 20th & 21st April 2013 at the Theosophical Society, Glasgow. Through this training you will be

registered and endorsed as Certified Laughter Yoga Leader – an internationally recognised qualification. You'll receive a 60 page e-manual and leave equipped to lead laughter sessions in a wide range of settings (school, hospitals, seniors, special needs, recovery and corporate) or set up your own local laughter club. Contact Joyworks on 07842414765 to secure your place or visit [www.joyworks.co.uk](http://www.joyworks.co.uk) for more information. Only 12 places available, costing £295 each, although funding is available.

### **Social Return On Investment Training (Glasgow)**

GCVS's sixth SROI Evaluation Development Programme is a four day course (plus individual coaching) running on:

- Friday 15th April 2013
- Wednesday 22nd May 2013
- Thursday 23rd May 2013
- Friday 2nd August 2013

Training will be at The Albany Learning and Conference Centre Ashley Street, Glasgow. A Flexible Training Opportunities grant could cover almost 50% of the cost of this training. Find out more online [here](#)

### **Equality Impact Assessments – making them practical & useful (Glasgow)**

This half-day briefing from Positive Action in Housing (PIAH) will give you an understanding of such assessments and how to make them practical to your organisations equality & diversity approach. By the end of the day you will be able to:

- Understand what equality impact assessments mean in practice to your equality & diversity approach
- Develop initial practical experience of carrying out an equality impact assessment
- Review your own organisations practice

The training will be delivered at 10.00 am - 1.00pm, Monday 18th March 2013, at 98 West George Street Glasgow G2 1PJ. Visit [PIAH's website](#) for more information and to book a place.

### **Cooking and hygiene training (Garioch)**

Garioch Community Kitchen is delivering weekly Adult Cooking Classes, covering healthy eating, basic cooking techniques and confidence in the kitchen, from Monday 15th April to Monday 20th May, 2pm - 4pm. The course costs £24 for 6 week course (this fee can be waived for individuals receiving benefits). To book a place contact: [gariochcommunitykitchen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:gariochcommunitykitchen@hotmail.co.uk)

In addition, Garioch Community Kitchen is running a REHIS Food Hygiene course on Wednesday 13th March 9.30am - 4pm. To book a place please contact Janette Gascoine on [jan.gascoine@btinternet.com](mailto:jan.gascoine@btinternet.com)

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## **Vacancies**

### **Volunteer Coordinator (Aberdeen)**

A challenging and rewarding opportunity has arisen within CASA (Community Alcohol Service Aberdeen), for a part-time Volunteer Coordinator (17 hours per week, £10,179 per annum, full-time equivalent £20,358). The successful candidate will primarily be responsible for coordinating, supporting and supervising a team of volunteer 'Buddies' who provide support to CASA service users. Flexible working hours, full training as well as on-going support and development offered. For an application pack, visit: [www.drugsaction.co.uk](http://www.drugsaction.co.uk) or contact 01224 577120. Closing date: Friday 8th March.

#### **Development Worker (Aberdeen)**

Grampian Regional Equality Council Ltd. requires a Development Worker (£23,551 pro-rata, 20 hours per week until 31 March 2015) for its Advancing Equality in the North East of Scotland Project.

The ideal candidate will be highly motivated with initiative and willingness to work flexibly. You will possess excellent communication skills, ability to manage a diverse workload and develop and promote the project. Experience in community/volunteer development or equality work and access to a car highly desirable. Find out more on [Goodmoves](#). Closing date: 22 March 2013.

#### **Community Health Development Officer (Broxburn, West Lothian)**

West Lothian Health Improvement Team is recruiting for a Community Health Development Officer (18 hours p/w £26673 - £30502 pro rata) to develop and deliver all aspects of the [Health Issues in the Community course](#) in West Lothian. This will involve recruitment of students and tutors, delivery of the course, addressing the on-going support to students and networking with a variety of local groups and projects. The post holder will be a member of the multi-agency Health Improvement Team and contribute to broader team activities.

Knowledge of The Health Issues in the Community course is essential along with experience in organising and delivering training programmes. A relevant professional qualification is essential (degree in community education, health or social work) as well as an ability to demonstrate knowledge and experience in community development and health work. The post is 18hrs per week, worked according to need, and fixed term till 31st March 2014. Application packs and information on the post are available at [myjobscotland.gov.uk](http://myjobscotland.gov.uk). The closing date for this post is provisionally set at 17 March 2013. This may change and close early depending on applicant response levels. Previous applicants need not apply.

#### **Project Worker (Edinburgh)**

Health Opportunities Team, a voluntary sector agency working to improve the social, emotional and sexual health of young people (aged 12-25) in the Portobello/Craigmillar and Liberton/Gilmerton areas of Edinburgh, is looking for a skilled Project Worker (£23,082 - £25,551 pro-rata, 2 days a week) to engage with young people and to deliver 1-1 support and emotional health group work sessions to young people in the Liberton/Gilmerton area of Edinburgh. See more on [Goodmoves](#). Closing date: 21 March 2013.

#### **Contracts and Monitoring Officer (Edinburgh)**

One Parent Families Scotland is seeking a Contracts and Monitoring Officer (35 hours per week, Salary: SJC points 27 to 34, £23,232 to £28,866) to join its core team. The successful applicant will have experience of the development and implementation of monitoring and evaluation systems and processes, and information analysis. Further details and application forms available from our [website](#) or [email](#) Rory Ross, One Parent Families Scotland, 13 Gayfield Square, Edinburgh, EH1 3NX

Telephone: 0131 556 3899. Closing Date for applications 9am on 25 March 2013.

### **Community Food & Health Worker (Edinburgh)**

The Ripple Project is looking for a resourceful and experienced worker (£21,819 pro-rata, 22 hours per week) to join a busy community organisation which provides a wide range of opportunities for enhanced health and wellbeing to all ages within the Restalrig, Lochend & Craightinny area of Edinburgh.

Key areas of work for this post include ensuring the smooth running of the Hub Grub Community Café, support and development of its café worker and team of café volunteers, provision of simple, nutritious meals within the café setting for a Lunch Club for older people and developing/supporting a range of other community health based initiatives. See the full job description on [Goodmoves](#). Closing date: 11 March 2013

### **Project Manager (Glasgow)**

Institute for Research and Innovation in Social Services (IRISS) is currently seeking a Project Manager (2 years fixed, £29,541 - £36,928) who has experience of delivering in the public sector and has skills in co-design methods to work in IRISS's Innovation and Improvement team. IRISS is looking for a self-starter with a passion for using their design skills to improve the way people access support. You will work on a number of projects and will be expected to manage your time across these projects. For further information and an application pack please visit:

<http://www.iriss.org.uk/jobs>

### **New VAF posts (Highland, North East, East and West)**

Voluntary Action Fund requires 5 Development Officers (£28,000 - £30,000) to work within its new Violence Against Women Grants Team. Each Development Officer will support a range of organisations in a specific geographic region: Highland, North East, East and West (2 regions). A Job Description, Application Form and Equal Opportunity Monitoring Form are all available on the Voluntary Action Fund website. Closing date midday 18 March 2013.

See <http://www.voluntaryactionfund.org.uk/our-people/recruitment/> for this and other posts, including:

- Programme Development Officer (Equality Grants Programme)
- Programme Manager (Violence Against Women Fund) and
- Finance Manager

### **Midlothian Sure Start posts (Midlothian)**

Midlothian Sure Start (MSS) is looking to fill the following posts as part of its work supporting families with young children across Midlothian:

- Improving Futures Midlothian Coordinator (21-35 hours, £28,866)
- Family Support Workers x 2 (20 hours per week, £16,818 pro rata plus pension)
- Bank Staff Family Play Workers, Hourly Rate £7.67
- Centre Co-Ordinators x 2 (20 hrs per week £23,232-25,716 pro rata + pension)
- Family Play Workers x 2 (16 hrs per week, £13,956-£15,873 pro rata + pension)
- Board Member with HR knowledge.

Full details of all posts is at <http://www.midlothiansurestart.org.uk>. Application packs can be downloaded from the website or phone Sharon Sinclair on 0131 654 0489 or email on [sharonsinclair@midlothiansurestart.org.uk](mailto:sharonsinclair@midlothiansurestart.org.uk). Closing date for applications Monday 18th March 2013.

### **Project Manager (Shapinsay, Orkney)**

Shapinsay Development Trust is advertising for a Project Manager (£25,000) who is experienced in rural community development to help lead the organisation to become more efficient, more dynamic and have more of an impact on its core purpose.

The Trust was formed by the residents of Shapinsay. Its role in the greater scheme of things is to be the vehicle through which the islanders can collectively help to maintain and improve their lives on the beautiful, peaceful island of Shapinsay.

For a Job Description please visit: <http://www.orkneycommunities.co.uk/SHAPINSAY> or contact Debbie Sarjeant at [shapdev@gmail.com](mailto:shapdev@gmail.com). Tel: 07955744022 or 01856 711702. Send your CV and covering letter to Debbie Sarjeant. Barebraes, Balfour Orkney, KW17 2EA. For an informal discussion please contact John Rodwell on 01856 711770. Closing Date: 28th March 2013.

### **Cycling Hub Officers (Stirling)**

Forth Environment Link seeks two Cycling Hub Officers (£18,000 pro-rata, part time) for the Stirling Cycle Hub. The cycle hub is a pilot which aims to promote and increase cycling. Based at Stirling Train Station, the hub will provide information and resources about cycling, and develop partnerships in the local community. The hub is being funded by Transport Scotland in partnership with ScotRail, and will be open 7 days a week. The role of the Cycle Hub Officer is to provide cycle-related information and referral services to the public and be an ambassador for cycling. [Click for more on Goodmoves](#). Closing date: 11 March 2013.

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## **Websites**

### **Online Logic Model tutorial from Learning Link Scotland**

Thought I'd put this item in again since I forgot to add the link in the last issue! Here it is for those who wanted it: [http://www.learninglinkscotland.org.uk/lis\\_tutorial/](http://www.learninglinkscotland.org.uk/lis_tutorial/)

Learning Link Scotland has produced a simple to use tutorial on logic modeling, guiding you through the different elements of the model and giving you a chance to test your knowledge. As LLS state on their website, "a logic model is a visual way to illustrate how your project organisation works". Of particular note is the Little Red Riding Hood logic model game, which allows you to try out creating a logic model around the well-known children's' fairy tale!

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