

Fife Third Sector Strategy Group and Fife Voluntary Action Tuesday 27 May 2014, Rothes Halls, Glenrothes

## programme

AN EVENT TO REFLECT ON THE QUALITIES OF FIFE'S THIRD SECTOR AND PREPARE FOR THE FUTURE IN THESE CHANGING TIMES

- 09:00 09:30 Registration and Coffee
- 09:30 10:00 Welcome and overview: Ninian Stuart, Chairperson of Fife's Third Sector Strategy Group And Carolyn Stenhouse, Chair of today's event

Introductions to each other

**10:00 – 10:40** Changes in the air: The potential of the Third Sector in Scotland over the next 5 years

> **Derek Mackay** MSP, Minister for Local Government and Community Planning

**Shulah Allan** MBE, Convener of Scottish Council of Voluntary Organisations

- **10:40 11:00** Questions, answers and comments from the floor
- 11:00 11:30 Coffee Break
- **11:30 12:00** Fife's Third Sector Preparing (ourselves, our organisations and our sector) for a better future

**Norma Philpott**, Vice Chair of the TSSG on work-so-far and plans for the future

**Kenny Murphy**, CEO of Fife Voluntary Action on the issues that face the third sector in Fife

**12:00 – 12:55** Table Reflections: First Impressions:

> What do you think the third sector could contribute to Fife in the next five years? What are the challenges and opportunities we face?

How might we best face these challenges and make the most of opportunities?

- **13:00 14:00** Lunch and networking time to hear and see what is going on
- 14:00 15:30 Sowing the seeds
  - What might healthy growth look like in each of the fields below? How can the third sector make the most effective contribution in each field?

What can the other sectors (private and public) contribute to these fields?

How might we work most effectively with other sectors to maximise benefits?

## **Fields to choose from**

- Employment and skills training
- Housing and homelessness
- Environmental awareness and action
- Children and young people
- Ageing
- Culture and heritage
- Health and wellbeing
- Poverty and fairness
- Advocacy and empowerment
- Life-long learning and education
- Localism and community action
- Sport, activity and fitness
- **15:30 15:45** Harnessing the energy in the room hearing what's alive and strong as we step into the future
- **15:45 16:00** What next and how can we each play our part in the next phase of strategic thinking and action?

Carolyn Stenhouse, Shulah Allan and Ninian Stuart round off the event.



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