**CLD CPD Regional Networks Forum**

Meeting – Thursday 19th April 1.0pm – 4.30pm

@Scott Street Perth

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|  | **Agenda Item** | **Discussion** | **Action** |
| 1 | Welcome and apologies | ***In attendance:***  Karen McGowan (KMc) Karen Delaney (KD) Sue Briggs (SB) Rhona Cameron (RC) Sue Holland-Smith (SHS) Alona Murray (AM - **Education Scotland**) John Galt (JG **Education Scotland**)  ***Apologies:***  Kirsty Gemmell, Joan McVicar, Tricia Ryan, Diann Govenlock, Linda Gray.  New representative for South West Network to be added to list [Steven.jack@dumgal.gcsx.gov.uk](mailto:Steven.jack@dumgal.gcsx.gov.uk) | Also circulate up to date Network - Consortium (x 5 ) list  \*North Alliance  \*Tayside and Fife  Consortium  \*South East and Central  Consortium  \*West Alliance  \*South West Network |
| 2 | Minutes of previous meeting | Meeting of 1st March cancelled due to bad weather.  Minutes of meeting 23rd November agreed as accurate  Group agreed minutes of these meetings should be circulated and agreed before wider circulation – including potentially being lodged on i develop shared space for Regional Networks | SB circulate as draft – then post agreed version on i develop and circulate to membership |
| 3 | Matters arising | Proposed Standards Council working group to look at creative content for i develop – seek update from Kirsty Gemmell  STEM – Cath Mackay leading on for Education Scotland. Lead Officers for local authorities have been identified. Education Scotland leading on professional learning aspect of STEM and CLD. Science Centres to develop plans for community involvement with partners – encouraging wider participation – some funding attached to this approach.  Moray Council are exploring STEM in context of Family learning.  Midlothian now have a dedicated Officer.  Aberdeenshire have established a CLD - STEM working group  For info - Open University have interesting data on STEM related students by location. | KD follow up  SB – circulate STEM Workshop training materials to JG |
| 4 | Consultation – Education Bill  Update - JG | Closing date for responses was end January 2018. Results still being analysed. Full results can be seen on Scottish Government website in the meantime. |  |
| 5 | Network Updates  **Tayside / Fife Consortium** | Comprehensive coverage of all local authorities across this Network now.  **Research** – Standards Council funded looking at the impact of professional learning on practice. Very good response – 190 across Network. Researchers x 2 completed a Masters module. Report and findings will be available to other Networks when ready.  ***Family Learning Conference*** – Network annual conference. Focus will be on social inclusion – likely to be September – stalls/info welcome. Last year’s conference attracted school colleagues which was welcomed.  An e learning module in ***community*** ***empowerment*** has been developed by the 4 authorities involved – shortly available publicly. |  |
|  | Network Updates  **South East / Central Consortium** | Ran x 2 ***Family Learning*** sessions for Consortium members – well attended.  Delivered x 2 ***self-evaluation*** sessions to Consortium members And partners  About to run a ***Big Learning Day*** for part time staff and volunteers – focus on Family Learning / using learner feedback / using digital learning / working with challenging learners  Conference event planned later in year focussing on young people and ***mental health***.  Aiming to build a ***data base of skills*** across the Network – being explored. |  |
|  | Network Updates  **North Alliance** | North Alliance involved in developing role with the ***Regional Improvement Collaborative****.* Resources for collaborative work was discussed.  ***Reflective Practice event*** – with Professor Karen McArdle – likely September. Residential Centre in Aberdeenshire. Harnessing K. McArdle’s 30 years of involvement in CLD related work in workshops built around professional reflection. TBC  Exploring ***satellite events*** strengthening common understanding and practice around ***Family*** ***Learning*** – using the new Family learning Framework and materials from other Networks. Building on learning from recent Moray event.  Annual Conference under discussion – potential to link into ***Northern Alliance Learning Festival*** held in February. |  |
| 6 | ***Discussion –***  ***RIC’s*** | ***Regional Improvement Collaboratives***  Wide ranging discussion around formation of RIC’s – Northern Alliance making progress in relation to CLD involvement. Long established North Alliance role contributed to this – has the Professional Learning function. All RIC’s now have an Education Scotland Lead and a Coordinator. |  |
| 7 | Updates  **Education Scotland** | **Education Scotland “Offer”**  ***Sharing Interesting Practice***  Education Scotland planning 3 seminars showcasing best practice from CLD inspections so far – exploring dates and venues – first one in Livingston in May. They would like to work with others (possibly Training Consortia) to host the others. North Alliance and Tayside and Fife potentially host an event in autumn.  ***Live Narrative***  Education Scotland seeking to work with an organisation or partnership to compile a live narrative – involving blogs etc – real time example of development of CLD work around Attainment Challenge  ***QI 1.1. Seminar***  Likely in June – led by HMIe – calling on learning from inspections.  ***Induction programme – Associate Assessors***  Programme delivered last year successful – want to build on this. Model replicated inspection process with focus groups / meetings on the ground in 3 authorities plus evaluative writing element. Education Scotland plan to develop a pilot to extend this model in the field. Requires interested parties to offer to participate.4 people from each interested (neighbouring!) authority to take part. Essentially a peer evaluation approach.  Intention – upskilling focus around self-evaluation  ***Changes*** - Policy lead for CLD transferring to Directorate of Advanced Learning and Science in the Scottish Government to sit with Colleges, employability etc. Handover by end August. Development Team to stay together in that Directorate with more focus on improvement and workforce development. Inspection arrangements stay the same.  The ***Family Learning Framework*** was published this week – in circulation. Education Scotland are gathering information on what is happening around ***YOYP*** across the country. Numeracy Day x 3 authorities participating.  ***Learning for democracy*** – report and initial resources from the research undertaken in 2015 now on i develop – Education Scotland seeking interest in action research around this topic. | AM to pursue with relevant Networks  Interested parties contact AM or Sheila Brown.  Respond to AM as soon as possible with indications of interest  Contact JG with interest |
| 8 | Workforce Development Action Plan | ***Survey is closed*** – information being collated – draft circulated with initial information. Working Group meeting on Monday 30th via VC to take the finalising of the plan further forward | Working Group – AM & JG |
| 9 | AOCB | ***Parental Engagement 5 Year Plan***  expected to be published soon  ***Scottish Government Ministers*** are keen to get out and about to visit local events/ practice showcases….reminder to extend invitations.  ***Standards Council Conference*** – group feedback very positive – venue and programme very good – well done Standards Council Team  Colin Ross (Standards Council)is looking for ***case studies*** capturing where CLD work impacts on wider achievement and reducing poverty – check SC website  ***IACD*** (International Association for Community Development) ***Conference*** to be held in 2019 in Dundee – papers for the Conference will be sought.  ***Workforce Survey*** last conducted 2015 and showed picture of who identifies as working in CLD across Scotland – to be repeated in 2019 – Education Scotland and Rocket Science taking forward along with Standards Council  Education Scotland are working on a ***Learning Participation Toolkit*** for young people though their Inclusion Team – seen as a Year of Young People resource. Children and young people ***version of How good*** ***is our school?*** Being launched very soon.  Potential highlighted by group for links to ***GLOW*** to promote and inform around CLD developments. JG and AM to take to g Education Scotland working group in this. |  |
| 10 | Date of next meeting | Thursday 6th September 11am to 3 pm in Perth – venue to be confirmed***.***  South East and Central Consortium to Chair. Minute taker to be agreed at meeting***.***  Note – agenda item for next time – CLD Plans Update (JG) |  |