



PORTOBELLO & CRAIGMILLAR VOLUNTARY SECTOR SUBGROUP

Briefing Note to Portobello & Craigmillar Neighbourhood Partnership

13June12

The Portobello/Craigmillar Voluntary Sector Subgroup met on Monday, 21st May in Portobello. The meeting was chaired by Susan Carr - Local Voluntary Sector Representative - and there were four people present from a range of local voluntary organisations.

The Subgroup agenda included a brief discussion about the implications of local Council elections, information on the Scottish Government's People and Communities Fund, and Issues of current relevance.

Feedback to the Neighbourhood Partnership

- One Voluntary Sector co-representative, Laura Plumb, had stood down from her role as she had moved to another post within her organisation. Susan Carr would continue to represent the interests of the local Voluntary Sector. The group felt that having two co-representatives to share the load and to support each other had been worthwhile.
- Recognising how central community engagement was to the work of the Neighbourhood Partnership, the subgroup wished the Partnership to consider the best way to explore how it might make the best use of the tool VOiCE (Visioning Opportunities in Community Engagement - developed by the Scottish Community Development Centre. [<http://www.scdc.org.uk/what/voice/>])
- Date of Next Meeting:
Monday 27th August 2012 at a Craigmillar venue