



PORTOBELLO & CRAIGMILLAR VOLUNTARY SECTOR SUBGROUP

Briefing Note to Portobello & Craigmillar Neighbourhood Partnership

14 September 2011

The Portobello/Craigmillar Voluntary Sector Subgroup met on Monday, 22nd August at Cre8te in Craigmillar. The meeting was chaired by Laura Plumb – Local Voluntary Sector Representative - and there were eight people present from a range of local voluntary organisations.

The Subgroup agenda included selection of co-representative to the Neighbourhood Partnership, Local Community Plan re-fresh, and Issues of current relevance.

Feedback to the Neighbourhood Partnership

- A robust and inclusive election process having been conducted, Susan Carr – of the Craigmillar Neighbourhood Alliance – was duly elected to serve as the co-representative of the local voluntary sector (alongside Laura Plumb) on the Portobello & Craigmillar Neighbourhood Partnership.
- It was agreed to report to the Neighbourhood Partnership that the Portobello & Craigmillar Voluntary Sector Subgroup remained keen to achieve clarity on (a) just how the voices of local people and the views of voluntary organisations who serve them are ‘to influence mainstream services;’ and (b) what progress had been made towards the long-awaited city-wide Anti-Poverty/Regeneration Framework.
- Hearing that work to re-fresh the Local Community Plan continued while work to re-shape the city-level Single Outcome Agreement was ongoing, the Subgroup was keen to explore links and relationships between Neighbourhood- and City-level Community Planning. The group was of the view that coherent links were essential, so long as all were clear that ‘one size’ would not ‘fit all.’
- Date of Next Meeting:
To be arranged once dates of NP meetings and Business meetings are agreed.