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ANNUAL CONFERENCE Stirling 2007

This is the annual conference of the *Scottish Youth Housing Network*, and is aimed at those concerned with young people's housing and the prevention of homelessness. The programme covers a range of topical subjects where you can share ideas and approaches. Throughout the day eight invited young people will simultaneously be working with Alison Glen of John Gilbert Architects to create their own vision of a supported accommodation unit, which will be presented at the end of the day.

Who should attend? Anyone from local or national voluntary organisations; from services such as housing, social work, employment, education, aftercare, addictions, health services; training agencies, registered social landlords and interested individuals.

PROGRAMME

- 10.00 Welcome from the Conference Chair
- 10.05 Developing supported accommodation. Alison Glen of John Gilbert Architects on the challenges of designing and building a supported accommodation unit
- 10.15 Grand designs: your ideal supported accommodation unit. Working in groups, delegates will generate ideas and outline priorities for developing a supported accommodation unit. While this is happening, a group of invited young people will work with an architect to create their own design
- 11.10 Coffee
- 11.30 Choice of sessions (you can attend one)
- 12.45 Lunch
- 13.45 Choice of sessions (you can attend one)
- 15.00 Coffee break
- 15.15 Training young people to build their own homes. Jill Cronin, Policy and Strategy Manager, Regeneration and Housing, South Ayrshire Council, and Jess Christman, Development Manager, Community Self-Build Scotland
- 15.40 Grand designs revealed. Highlights of the best ideas produced by delegates in the morning session, followed by a presentation of the supported accommodation unit design created by young people during the day
- 16.00 Close

CHOICE OF SESSIONS

Some only run once

- 1 Housing briefing session – a legal update: A discussion of developments and the forthcoming changes in homelessness and housing. Alice Ann Jackson, Convener, SAY Women (AM)
- 2 Rewards for learning – nurturing success in young people with housing issues: This workshop will explore different methods of recognising learning and skills in young people used by housing projects in Scotland, and will draw on the findings from a recent SCSH survey. Wendy Devall, SCSH (AM)
- 3 Using graphic facilitation to engage with young people: How to capture information and views by drawing large-scale graphics during meetings, consultation and discussions. Karen Irvine, Infusion Co-operative (AM & PM)
- 4 Repairing the harm: using restorative justice techniques: An introduction to the use of restorative practices as a way of addressing behaviour that has caused harm, in the context of working with young people in supported accommodation or similar settings. Dr Derek Brookes, Restorative Justice Consultant, Sacro (AM & PM)
- 6 Are you ready to let go? Disengaging with young people: A discussion of the issues for staff when it's time for young people to move on. Carole Simpson, Operations Manager, Open Door Fife, and Colin Paton, Training and Development Co-ordinator, Dundee Cyrenians (AM & PM)
- 7 What we want from a support service: Service users set out what's important in how their support is delivered, eg listening, respect, boundaries, involvement. Interactive activities will explore how these key features of support can be met and examples of when and how they are put at risk. Link Living service users (AM & PM)
- 8 Whose 'best interests'? The impact of UK asylum legislation and policy on unaccompanied asylum-seeking children in Scotland: The Government is implementing a raft of legislation and policy affecting some of the most vulnerable children in Scotland. This workshop will discuss the implications, in particular the New Asylum Model, the UASC Reform Programme and the review of 'legacy cases'. Joe Brady, Operations Manager, Scottish Refugee Council (PM)
- 9 Practical Steps to Sustaining Tenancies: Based upon the award winning *My Space My Place* tenancy sustainment resource, this workshop will provide fun and practical sessions that can be used when supporting young people in their first tenancies. Ingrid Fitzsimons and Wendy Devall, SCSH Youth Unit (PM)
- 10 YouthBank, a grant making and empowerment initiative run by young people for young people: An introduction to this innovative and flexible approach to youth empowerment, decision making and grant making in this interactive workshop. Heather McVey of YouthLink Scotland and two young people active in YouthBanks (PM)



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