

Cross-Party Group Annual Report 2022-23

Cross Party Group on Intergenerational Solidarity

1. Group membership and Office Holders.

Chair: Delyth Jewell MS

Members:

- Altaf Hussain MS
- Jayne Bryant MS
- Peredur Owen Griffiths MS

Secretary: Dewi John (Office of the Older People’s Commissioner for Wales)

External Members:

Name:	Organisation:
Heléna Herklots	Older People’s Commissioner for Wales
Rachel Bowen	Older People’s Commissioner for Wales
David McKinney	Older People’s Commissioner for Wales
Amadna Everson	Council for Wales of Voluntary Youth Services
Amanda Gallivan	Swansea Council
Andy Wallsgrove	Children's Commissioner for Wales
Carole Butler	Swansea University
Carole Maddock	Swansea University
Carole Phillips	Kidscape
Catrin Hedd Jones	Bangor University
Ceri Cryer	Age Cymru
Chris Dunn	Diverse Cymru
Chris Thomas	COPA
Dan Townsend	Youth Cymru
Deborah Morgan	Swansea University
Dereck Roberts	NPC Wales
Elisabeth Carney-Haworth	Sliver Stories
Elizabeth Jones	Swansea University
Fayne Patten	Care and Repair Cymru
Gino Parisi	Aneurin Bevan UHB
Heather Ferguson	Age Cymru
Jamie Smith	Hafod Housing Association
Katie Howson	Swansea University
Katherine Algar-Skaife	Bangor University
Laraine Bruce	ConneXions
Linda Jenkins	Hafod Housing Association
Marie-Clare Hunter	ENRICH Cymru Advisory Group
Mike Rance	Hafod Housing Association

Mirian Llwyd Roberts	Gwynedd Council
Neil Williams	Care and Repair Cymru
Nia Richards	Tybed
Nina Finnigan	Bryncynon Strategy
Oral Tarn	NUS Wales
Pheobe Brown	Repair Café Wales
Ross Thomas	Tai Pawb
Sandy Clubb	Future Generations Commissioner for Wales
Sharon Ford	National Museum Wales
Stephanie Green	Swansea University
Stephen Burke	United for All ages
Sue Egersdorff	Ready Generations
Tanya Strange	Aneurin Bevan UHB
Kathryn Morgan	Shared Lives Plus
Tom Magner	Carers World Radio
Andrea Nicholas-Jones	Action for Elders
Rhun Dafydd	Lottery Community Fund
Alan Hatton-Yeo	Volunteering Matters Wales
Tamasree Mukhopandhyay	Kiran UK
Harriet Wright-Nicholas	Welsh Youth Parliament
Harrison Williams	Welsh Youth Parliament
Ellis Peares	Welsh Youth Parliament
Rosemary Squires	Welsh Youth Parliament

2. Previous Groups Meetings 2022-23

Meeting One

Meeting Date:

Attendees:

Name	Organisation
Delyth Jewell	Senedd Cymru
Rhys Jackson	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Rachel Bowen	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
David McKinney	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Alistair Davey	Welsh Government
Amanda Everson	Council for Wales of Voluntary Youth Services
Andrew Pithouse	Welsh Government
Catrin Hedd Jones	Bangor University
Carol Maddock	Swansea University
Ceri Cryer	Age Cymru
Chris Dunn	Diverse Cymru
Chris Thomas	COPA
Deb Morgan	Swansea University
Dereck Roberts	NPC Wales
Gethin Edwards	Welsh Government
Elizabeth Jones	Swansea University
Harriet Wright-Nicholas	Welsh Youth Parliament
Jacob Prowely	Age Cymru
Julie Morgan	Senedd Cymru
Laraine Bruce	Connections in North Wales
Mirain Llwyd Roberts	Gwynedd Council
Phoebe Brown	Repair Café Wales
Rosemary Squires	Welsh Youth Parliament
Sharon Ford	National Museum Wales
Tom Magner	Carers World Live

The Meeting was held virtually on Microsoft Teams, and the Minutes are included in [Appendix 1](#).

Summary of Communications

The group held its Annual General Meeting and listened to a presentation by the Deputy Minister for Social Services, Julie Morgan, on work the Welsh Government was undertaking to promote solidarity and understanding between generations.

Meeting Two

Meeting Date: 13 March 2023

Attendees:

Name:	Organisation:
Delyth Jewell	Senedd Cymru
Dewi John	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Rachel Bowen	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Tim Crahart	Shared Lives Plus
Stephanie Green	Swansea University
Sue Egersdorff	Ready Generations
Neil Williams	Care and Repair Cymru
Tom Magner	Carers World Radio
Andy Wallsgrove	Children's Commissioner for Wales
Marie-Clare Hunter	ENRICH Cymru Advisory Group
Carole Phillips	Kidscape
Deborah Morgan	Swansea University
Catrin Hedd Jones	Bangor University
Elizabeth Jones	Swansea University
Sharon Ford	National Museum Wales
Eleri D'Arcy	Swansea University Health Board
Mirain Llwyd Roberts	Gwynedd Council

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Summary of Communications

Members discussed Intergenerational Awareness Week 2023, falls prevention and the intergenerational lens to falls prevention.

Meeting Three

Meeting Date: 05 June 2023

Attendees:

Name	Organisation
Delyth Jewell	Senedd Cymru
Dewi John	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Rachel Bowen	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
David McKinney	Older People's Commissioner for Wales
Catrin Hedd Jones	Bangor University
Chris Thomas	COPA
Dereck Robers	NPC Wales
Heather Ferguson	Age Cymru
Rhian Angharad Morgan	Age Cymru
Hilliary Edwards	Repair Café Wales
Tim Crahart	Shared Lives Plus
Carol Maddock	Swansea University
Sharon Ford	National Museums Wales
Marie-Clare Hunter	ENRICH Cymru Advisory Group
Rhun Dafydd	Lottery Community Fund
Mirain Llwyd Roberts	Gwynedd Council

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Summary of Communications

Members agreed the future work plan for the Intergenerational Solidarity CPG.

Topics will include:

- Social and Civic Inclusion.
- Ageism/Ageism in the media.
- Climate Change.
- Cymraeg 2050 offer for older generations.

Future meetings for 2024 have been detailed in [Appendix 2](#) following the agreement of the workplan for 2023-24.

3. Professional lobbyists, voluntary organisations, and charities with whom the Group has met during the preceding year.

[names of lobbyists/organisations/charities should be included as follows, e.g.]

Name of Organisation:

- Centre for Innovate Ageing, Swansea University
- Nuffield Trust, Bioethics of Health Ageing Project.

Name of Group:

N/A

Annual Financial Statement

08 September 2023

Cross Party Group on Intergenerational Solidarity

Chair: Delyth Jewell MS

Secretary: Dewi John (Office of the Older People's Commissioner for Wales)

Title	Description	Amount
Group's Expenses	None.	£0.00
Costs of all goods	No goods bought.	£0.00
Benefits received by the group or individual members from external bodies	No benefits received.	£0.00
Any financial support or other support.	No financial support was received.	£0.00
Total		£0.00

Appendix 1: Minutes from the meetings of 2022-3

Meeting One: Cross Party Group on Intergenerational Solidarity - 14 November 2022

Previous Minutes

The group accepted the minutes from the last meeting.

AGM – Nomination of Chair and Secretariat

Rhys Jackson nominated Delyth Jewell as Chair of the Cross-Party Group – this was approved by the Group with no objections. Jayne Bryant, Peredur Owen Griffiths and Altaf Hussain were nominated as vice Chairs of the CPG by Delyth Jewell – this was approved by the group with no objections.

Delyth Jewell nominated the office of the Older People’s Commissioner for Wales as secretariat of the Cross-Party Group – this was approved by the group with no objections. Catrin Hedd Jones seconded all nominations.

Work that the Welsh Government is doing to promote solidarity and understanding between generations – Julie Morgan, Deputy Minister for Social Services

Julie Morgan praised the CPG’s focus on intergenerational practice. She said this can take many forms and have many benefits for reducing ageism as well as improving health. She said this is important with the rising cost of living and war in Ukraine.

She said Welsh Government is working to create strong resilient communities that harness people’s strength highlighting Connected Communities, their Loneliness and Isolation Strategy, and Age Friendly Wales as key drivers of this.

As part of the Connected Communities cross government strategy, Julie Morgan highlighted a three-year loneliness and social isolation fund to support community-based activity by building the capacity and sustainability of grass roots organisations to bring people of all ages together. She highlighted £1.5m has been allocated across Wales from 2021-2024 which enables Local Authorities to work with County Voluntary Councils to support community-based organisations. She said initial

reports are encouraging on how the money has helped. A report will be published soon and shared with the CPG.

The Deputy Minister said National Survey statistics show community cohesion is improving. She highlighted that working with colleagues in Gwynedd, the Welsh Government showcased good practice during Global Intergenerational Week, which demonstrated a Welsh approach to community cohesion. She highlighted examples of this have been gathered into a dedicated Welsh Government webpage which serves as a portal to all things intergenerational in Wales.

Julie Morgan highlighted that, as a result of showcasing this good practice, Repair Café Wales has successfully bid for Welsh Government Foundational Economy funding to tackle the cost-of-living crisis in partnership with local schools by setting up repair cafes in some of the most deprived areas of Wales. She said these help as they are places where information on entitlements can be shared.

Julie Morgan said the Welsh Government is working with partners to forge strong and lasting connections between those involved in intergenerational projects and those who can benefit as they want to build these practices into communities.

The Deputy Minister highlighted funding provided to set up Age Friendly Communities across Wales which has enabled a lead officer in place in each Local Authority. She also highlighted work with the Older People's Commissioner for Wales (OPCW), Age Cymru and partners in health, social care, and arts sectors to work together to map out the breadth of intergenerational activity to see its benefits.

She said more of this activity will continue to be embedded into communities and that this impacts the quality of life in communities. Delyth Jewell agreed that intergenerational projects bring joy to people and that a big part of the CPG is to celebrate learning from connections.

Catrin Hedd Jones asked the Deputy Minister about mapping of intergenerational work and who is leading this. Julie Morgan said it is important to ensure a person in each local authority who works with older people, which is an aim worked on with the OPCW. Gethin Edwards highlighted members of the Welsh Government who work on the report and highlighted the importance of empowering AFC officers to get out and work on intergenerational. Catrin Hedd Jones also said that Health Boards could

also help with this. Catrin Hedd Jones also asked about embedding intergenerational practice on a national level, noting good work across Wales but that this is often patchy. Julie Morgan said mapping projects will help with this.

In a question on links to other work, Gethin Edwards said the webpage is a source for intergenerational activity and asked CPG members to let Welsh Government know of any updates that should be included for the future. The website can be found [here](#).

Delyth Jewell asked members to get in contact with either herself or Rhys Jackson if there is something to be shared via the website or if there are any further ideas for intergenerational work the Welsh Government should look at.

Laraine Bruce highlighted the importance of following individual's journeys. Julie Morgan agreed, noting that funding has tried to be wide ranging in who is supported and said this is why she is keen on supporting grass roots projects.

Marie-Clare Hunter asked about the possibility of lifting age restrictions to the lifelong learning agenda. Julie Morgan said she and Gethin Edwards will take this back to Welsh Government, noting this is for the Employment and Education Minister. Gethin Edward said that any further information on this would be welcome. Marie-Clare Hunter will send Delyth Jewell and Rhys Jackson any further information on her question.

Tim Crahart highlighted the launch of the third Homeshare pilot in Wales, asking the Deputy Minister whether these intergenerational living models are something she would like to see more of. Julie Morgan said she is supportive of Homeshare, highlighting her appearance at a previous launch. Delyth Jewell thanked the Deputy Minister and her officials for attending.

Update on photo competition to tackle ageism – Catrin Hedd Jones

Catrin Hedd Jones gave background on the photo competition, noting its launch at Global Intergenerational Week 2022. She highlighted the work the Welsh Government have done on intergenerational alongside the other work that has been done to tackle loneliness and social isolation. She argued there has been little investment on intergenerational practice in stark contrast to Scotland.

Catrin Hedd Jones went on to highlight the event in the Senedd on 15th November which will include an exhibition of photos from the competition that aims to promote intergenerational practice. The exhibition is then being toured around the Welsh national museums. Catrin Hedd Jones will share the images and dates for the tour.

Any Other Business

Tom Magner reminded the group to contact him with anything that would be newsworthy for Carers World Live. Tom Magner can be contacted by emailing news@carersworldlive.co.uk.

Deb Morgan flagged an intergenerational research project that looks at climate change from an intergenerational perspective, noting they will be working in Gypsy Traveller sites, rural farming, and coastal care homes. She said she would be happy to chat about the project to the group. Deb Morgan said she will circulate more information on the work once available.

Chris Thomas asked about the Centre for Intergenerational Work, questioning why Wales does not have one now. Catrin Hedd Jones said this was funded for three years and that the funding ended. She says a lot of other countries have advanced and been provided government support while Wales has focused on creating reports and strategies.

Rachel Bowen highlighted a project from the University of Stirling called Reimagining the Future in Older Age which is based around challenging ideas that older people aren't as invested in the future. A toolkit around intergenerational best practice from the project can be found [here](#).

Additionally, another report that specifically links intergenerational and age-friendly concepts in living ecosystems can be found [here](#). Delyth Jewell asked the group whether they would like to write to the Welsh Government to set out the intergenerational challenges and what the group would like to see the Welsh Government do. The group was happy to explore this idea. Delyth Jewell asked the group for anyone who would like to work on this to contact her by email.

Meeting Two: **Cross Party Group on Intergenerational Solidarity - 13 March 2023**

Welcome and Introductions – Delyth Jewell MS

Delyth Jewell welcomed the group members and introduced new members to the group.

Minutes of last meeting

The group approved the minutes. In terms of a letter to the Deputy Minister for Social Services, Julie Morgan, setting out issues that the group would like to raise, members were asked to send issues to Dewi John to compile.

Sharing a Journey

Item held over to the next meeting.

Homeshare UK

Tim Crahart explained that Homeshare UK is an intergenerational live-in model, in which two people share their lives together. The home share is between an older person who is looking for low-level support or friendship and a young person who is looking for somewhere to live.

Tim noted that the scheme has received funding from the Welsh Government for three pilots across Wales, which are in:

- Swansea (Coordinated by Ruth Robinson)
- Pembrokeshire (Coordinated by Dean Flood)
- Carmarthenshire (Coordinated by Richard Wyn Williams).

The matching process takes time and the older people, and their families can meet the applicant as many times as the host requires. Homeshare UK also requires all applicants to have a DBS and a reference check.

Marie Clare asked if Homeshare UK had considered working with community and/or religious centres particularly those for people belonging to ethnic/social minorities to consider matching refugees and international students to older households of a similar background.

Mirain Llwyd Roberts explained that this is something they are doing as part of the Gwynedd pilot that they had already had conversations with Bangor University and that there is a refugee support project currently in Gwynedd.

Tim Crahart explained that the scheme was quite popular with international students in England because the students wanted to live in the community and practice language skills and that Homeshare UK was working with Bangor and Swansea University. International students need to be careful because of visa conditions and the amounts of hours of support they could provide.

He also explained it was harder to work with asylum seekers because of right to housing. He added that they have been able to work with Ukrainian refugees because they have visas.

On religious groups Tim said that the Pembrokeshire coordinator has already been working with religious groups in the area.

Sue Egersdorff said that Edinburgh Garden Partners ([Edinburgh Garden Partners](#)) were doing something similar with gardens where older people wanting someone to maintain their garden are matched with people who want an allotment but cannot get one.

Delyth invited members who attended the Generations Working Together Conference to share information with the group. She also asked members to share relevant stories from intergenerational living situations with Tim so Homeshare UK could celebrate them and use them on social media.

International Intergenerational Week 2023

Mirain Llwyd Roberts highlighted that International Intergenerational Week 2023 will be held on 24th April until 30th April. She explained that there are four executive members who are responsible for organising the related events for the week across the four nations.

Mirain said there was a need to restart intergenerational events since Covid across the UK. She suggested members could do this by holding for example a coffee morning in schools, care homes or community venues to get children and older

people together, which is important for creating early cross-generational relationships.

Mirain asked if groups can sign up to the [link](#), so members can learn more about how they can get involved in Global Intergenerational Week 2023. She also asked if members knew people who could get buildings lit up for Global Intergenerational Week to get in contact.

Sharon Ford, offered to connect Mirain with Big Pit to get the winding frame lit up.

Catrin Hedd Jones said that CADR will try and host an online webinar and that she will circulate the details with Dewi.

Mirain explained that the advisory board to create standards for Intergenerational work met at the Generations Working Together Conference and said the group would be looking to influence UK Government. Mirain offered anyone who is interested in getting involved to email her.

There was a discussion of areas where intergenerational work is strong and how this can translate into other areas, particularly those which may be more closely related to economic growth. Work on age friendly communities undertaken in local authorities is positive although there is more to be done to break down silos.

Delyth Jewell asked the group if they had any points to raise on cross-governmental and cross-departmental gaps which could form part of the letter to the Deputy Minister for Social Services. Delyth asked Dewi John to remind people of the letter before the minutes are circulated.

Mirain finished by saying if anyone had any ideas for International Intergenerational Week to get into contact with her (mirainllwydroberts@gwynedd.llyw.cymru).

There was further discussion on the need for the Welsh Government to build on their existing research on the benefits of intergeneration work.

College courses or apprenticeship schemes that have a wide age range cohort of students could be another way of exchanging knowledge across generations. Delyth asked if anyone had information on this to share it with the group.

Falls Prevention Taskforce

Neil Williams said Falls Prevention Taskforce was a good example of practical intergenerational work and highlighted that Falls Awareness Week will be 18th to 22nd September.

Neil said the taskforce had done some work with Cardiff and the Vale University Health Board and that they had done work with schools in the area. Pupils learnt about the risk of falls and to engage mamgu and tadcu on this. He highlighted that 500 children across Cardiff and the Vale had joined in 2022 and the theme was around carers.

Neil explained despite limited opportunities in 2022, the campaign saw three areas of success in Betsi Cadwaladr, Swansea and Cardiff and the Vale and that the taskforce was looking to work with the Ambulance Trust, Fire and Rescue and the guides for 2023.

Swansea Intergenerational Falls Group

Eleri D'arcy highlighted the intergenerational work that Swansea had been doing through their crime scene tool to identify falls risks with children and older people. She explained that there were 1000s of hazards especially toys, rugs, and handbags for example. Feedback was that the crime scene was very effective and was used across KS2 and used George's Race for KS1.

Delyth Jewell said it was important to see practical and policy ideas side by side.

Sharon added that her colleague Zoe at National Waterfront Museum has been hosting seated dance sessions with 'Dance to Health' falls prevention agenda and that they would like to feature this with museum and intergenerational groups.

The issue of whether this could become more widespread and perhaps link to an intergenerational activity through ongoing support given to people who have lost mobility confidence to go out for walks etc. was raised. Neil said they could batten a decondition campaign onto the Falls Prevention campaign to improve confidence.

Rachel Bowen added that Swansea already has a well-established Age Friendly walk.

Delyth Jewell asked Eleri to share work updates to Dewi John so he can circulate to group.

Any other business

Catrin asked if the group could revisit the original four priorities, especially around ageism. Delyth asked Dewi John to recirculate the sub-groups and areas of priority to the group and add it as an item on the agenda for the next meeting.

The group also discussed ageism in the media and were alarmed at recent development in publications across the UK. Delyth asked the group to note specific instances and that this would be an item at the next meeting. In the meantime, examples should be sent to Dewi for discussion at the next meeting.

Delyth Jewell invited any members who are interested in being on a sub-group on ageism to email Dewi John.

Close and date of next meeting

Delyth Jewell thanked members for their contributions. The next meeting will be on **June 5th at 11am - 12:30pm on Microsoft Teams**. She also invited members to email Dewi if they had an item for discussion for the next agenda.

Meeting Three: **Cross Party Group on Intergenerational Solidarity - 05 June 2023**

Welcome and Introductions

Delyth Jewell MS opened the meeting and explained that the main focus was the purpose of the group going forward and establishing a forward work plan.

Minutes of last meeting

The minutes from the previous meeting were noted and agreed. Members agreed. Heather Ferguson noted that since the last meeting that she has taken over as chair for the Falls Prevention group and invited members to get in [contact](#).

Matters Arising – Discussion Space

Members shared updates:

Liz Jones - the [Troedrhiwfuwch](#) project is coming to an end and the garden has been restored with the new mural being installed. She invited Delyth Jewell and members to attend the opening on 6th July at 3:30pm. To give a brief overview of the project, she explained that the whole village was subject to a compulsory purchase order in 1985-6 because of the surveys of coal tips after the Aberfan disaster and that the garden was to commemorate the history of the village.

Dereck Roberts explained that NPC Wales has had its AGM and all members were re-elected. The NPC Wales will be focusing on access to healthcare, end-of-life care and care and repair services. In addition to this NPC and NPC Wales will be producing a pensioner's manifesto for the 2024 general election.

Deb Morgan said that she has been working on a project looking at digital technology and older people's needs, which is launching later this year. Carol Maddock has been working with care homes, and youth groups to make an intergenerational comic book on climate change.

Delyth Jewell congratulated Carol on the creation of the comic book and invited Carol to present it to the group. She also invited Ellis Peares to work with Deb on the comic book. (d.j.morgan@swansea.ac.uk)

Cartin Hedd Jones [shared](#) a talk that CADR hosted on bringing generations together.

Dave McKinney gave an update on what the Older People's Commissioner for Wales has been doing on age-friendly communities. Dave explained that more local authorities (Flintshire and Isle of Anglesey) are joining the WHO's Network for Age-friendly Cities and Communities. He also added that the Commissioner's office will be publishing work on public toilets this summer.

Tim Crahart said that since the last meeting Homeshare UK have organised an event to promote Homeshare UK's pilots in Gwynedd and Swansea. Event links:

- [Rydych yn adnabod rhywun sydd angen clywed am Homeshare yng Nghymru . Tickets, Wed 14 Jun 2023 at 12:00 | Eventbrite](#)
- [You already know someone who needs to hear about Homeshare in Wales Tickets, Wed 14 Jun 2023 at 12:00 | Eventbrite](#)

Heather Ferguson highlighted Age Cymru's work on blue badges which connects to digital exclusion and access to services. Delyth Jewell commented that this has been a common theme of members updates that technology is leading to a gap between people who use technology and those who don't, which is growing as society progresses forward and recommended that this can be a strand of the forward workplan.

Chris Thomas explained that COPA is also looking at digital exclusion as part of its work plan.

Ellis Peares explained he is going to table a 90-second statement on access to defibrillators as a joint meeting of the Senedd and Welsh Parliament after working with Rhun ap Iorwerth MS and Mabon ap Gwynfor MS.

It was important to expand provision because many people have hidden reasons why they might need a defibrillator.

Cartin Hedd Jones shared a [link](#) to help with Ellis' statement. Heather offered Age Cymru's support. She also raised concerns about language: many over 50s are not feeling represented and they have internalised the negative language used during the pandemic like being described as a burden. The issue of language was discussed.

Post-pandemic priorities and purpose of the group

Delyth Jewell explained that since the group was established during the pandemic, priorities have changed. She suggested it would be a good opportunity to set a forward work plan for the group and opened the item for members to discuss what themes they wanted to focus on. The four themes that the group agreed to focus on were:

- Access to Services
- Ageism/Ageism in the media.
- Climate Change.
- Cymraeg 2050 offer for older generations.

Delyth explained that during the last meeting that members had mentioned the rise of ageism in the media and the rise of unpleasant narratives. Members agreed that they wanted to examine this issue. Heather highlighted that ageist narratives can be applied to younger people too.

Deb noted the Telegraph's [article](#) on calculating how much of people's salaries funded benefits as an example of sowing intergenerational animosity. Deb agreed and explained that this language has led to real life consequences.

Cartin Hedd Jones shared a [link](#) on the importance of older people's contribution to the Welsh economy.

The group discussed ageism in the media and entertainment industry.

Dereck had recently made a complaint to the BBC over their coverage of the pension and triple lock where they used language which suggested that older people were stealing money from the younger generations.

Members were asked to send Dewi John suggestions for discussion points and speakers for the themes the group had agreed.

Heather Ferguson suggested that the group should look at buses: access to buses is becoming more problematic and it threatens older people's access to social activities and healthcare appointments. Delyth Jewell added that the issue of access to services is important and links with digital exclusion. She suggested that as a thread.

Marie-Clare suggested that Cymraeg 2050 should be theme: there is an offer for younger people but not older people. Delyth and members agreed.

Sharon Ford said during our Museums Inspiring Memories consultations, a recurring theme has been accessible community transport - or the lack of it. Many people have the desire to visit museums, but they are not always easy to access. She also explained that Voluntary Emergency Service Transport (VEST) in Cardiff for example is fully booked until November. This is proving a massive barrier to engagement.

Delyth suggested that the group focus on access to services as part of social and civic exclusion. She linked this to climate change as a lack of public transport would lead to more cars. She then asked the group if they wanted to add climate change as a strand. Members agreed.

Rachel Bowen recapped what the group agreed and said that she will work with Dewi John to create a forward work plan for group to be agreed by members.

Nuffield Health – Presentation on Council on Bioethics Healthy Ageing Project

Item held over to the next meeting.

Any other business

Delyth Jewell asked members if they had any other items to discuss. Catrin Hedd Jones about the letter to the Deputy Minister for Social Services. No contributions or suggestions for the letter had been received. Delyth agreed to allot 15 minutes to revisit this at the next meeting.

Close and Date of Next Meeting

Delyth Jewell thanked members for their contributions. The next meeting will be on Monday, 9th of October 2023 **on Microsoft Teams.**

Appendix 2: Date for Upcoming Meetings

Dates of meetings for 2024 and the topics they will cover from the work plan have been laid out below:

- 22nd January 2024 (11:00-12:30) (Ageism)
- 16th May 2024 (16:30-18:00) (Climate Change)
- 11th November 2024 (11:00-12:50) (AGM/ Cymraeg 2050/ Future work plan)

All these meetings will be conducted on Microsoft Teams.