

Trellis 5th Annual Networking Conference

Tuesday 15th March 2011, Perth Concert Hall, PH1 5HZ



Gardening - The original feel-good activity

'Where you have a plot of land, however small, plant a garden. Staying close to the soil is good for the soul.' Spencer W. Kimball

In association with the Federation of City Farms & Community Gardens (FCFCG)

Programme

09:30 **Arrival & Registration** – please arrive promptly to make your workshop choices: numbers limited.

10:00 **Welcome Address – Jim McColl, MBE.** Plus a few words from: Fiona Thackeray, Development Manager and Alan Bell, Chair, Trellis & Helen Pank, FCFCG.

10.15 **Project Showcases**

10:15 **Larkhall Community Growers, South Lanarkshire.** Lesley Speedie, Project Manager.

10:30 **Between these Walls, The Walled Garden, Perth.** Debbie Butler, Co-ordinator

10:45 **Healthy Woods, Healthy People.** Hugh Fife, Blairbuie Woodland Co-ordinator, Argyll.

11.00 **Break**

11.15 **Keynote Address - Pam Whittle, CBE, Chair, Greenspace Scotland**

12:00 **Workshops – Round 1** (NB: Workshop 4 will take place in Perth Museum)

1. SOS: Sink or Swim - Surviving Lean Times through reinvention and diversification – learning from two projects in Aberdeenshire plus bonus session on how to raise profile for your project – *John Duncan, Easter Anguston Farm Training Centre, Tony Archer of Aberdeen Forward & Alan Reid of VSA.*

2. Fruit Tree Pruning Master Class - Demonstration of pruning techniques to achieve the desired shape or size of tree for the required purpose – *Colin Stirling & Jim McColl*

3. A Year Working in Community Gardens: a new project enabling gardeners with learning disabilities to work in 5 community gardens in Edinburgh, plus an income generating pilot project. – *Alison Edelsten & Kerry Kirkwood, Columcille Centre, Edinburgh*

4. The Story So Far – preliminary findings on the evidence for HT (from the PhD literature search jointly supervised by Trellis & Stirling University) – *Di Blackmore, PhD student & Dr Ruth Jepson, Senior Research Fellow.*

5. Horticulture Therapy in a Secure Setting – *Peter Ross, Team Leader, Nicola Devlin Deputy Ward Manager & Tommy Harrison, Project Nurse, Acorn Project, Leverndale Hospital*

13:00 **Lunch & networking**

14:00 **Workshops – Round 2** (1-5 as above, your chance to attend a second workshop).

15:00 **Evaluation, Raffle & Summary of the Day in Pictures.**

Post-event - use the Trellis forum to continue to share ideas & further thoughts arising from the conference.