Sccan Community Climate Action

Hybrid

10.30 am - 3.30 pm

Fri 11 march

AUC, George IV Bridge Edinburgh

+ online



Timetable plus active links to further information

10.30am Welcome SLIDES LINK

10.40am Keynote: Dr Ife Okafor-Yarwood: Climate Justice

10.55am Reflections on that contribution

11.05am ScotGov Support for Communities: Louisa Harvey SG

11.10am Investing in Regional Networks: Gill Davies, SCCAN

11.15am Climate for Change: Jean-Matthieu Gaunand, SCCAN SLIDES LINK

11.30am Morning Workshops to share learning

- 1. Climate for Change: an offering to engage new people Slides Link
- 2. Climate Cafes: Friendly, local, supportive with Jess Pepper
- 3. Weaving Stories that engage people

1.30pm Afternoon Workshops to share experience

- 1. Networks may become Hubs
- 2. Climate Cafes: Exploring Climate Anxiety see Edinburgh Climate Cafe dates
- 3. Widening Participation: Equity, Diversity & Inclusion + CEMVO

3.00pm Endnote: <u>Dr Alette Willis</u>: Telling Our Stories

Ideas collected from Morning Workshop 1 - online

Facilitator: Pam
Who joined in:
Main points shared:

- Holding our government into account is one key way to provide agency for concerned citizens
 - For instance writing to our MSP to get them to move!

Ideas from Morning Climate Cafes Workshop 2 - in person

Facilitator: Jess Pepper

Main points shared:

- Having a space
- Website to connect people
- Keep it simple
- Used by local authorities to inform planning and dialogue
- Global conversations in cafe
- Everyone has ownership
- Many different models
- Community led

Ideas collected from Morning Workshop 2 - online

Facilitator: Joana

Slides from the Storytellers Collective with resources and links

Who joined in: Main points shared:

- Value of sharing stories
- A need to bring farmers around the table and set up permanent solutions that help them to grow more sustainably and in better connection with their local community, e.g. CSA schemes, fixing subsidy programmes and not just doing one-off education that doesn't get carried on.

Ideas collected from Afternoon Workshop 1 - in person

Facilitator: Tara Murray

Who joined in: Kate Munro, Kate Bovill, Munro Fraser, Pam Maxwell, Elizabeth Mnenula, Jonny

Bennet, Amanda Coghill, Pam Candea, Andrew Drummond

Main points shared:

Barriers

- hard to reach people in remote areas geography.
- Public transport infrastructure is terrible.
- People feeling overwhelmed about climate
- People not knowing their actions are climate action need to help folk understand there are many ways to make a difference.
- Islands act as self sufficient entities, not used to working with others for help/support.
- Islands also don't have many community groups involved in climate action.
- Even getting people to respond is hard.

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- Not re learning the same lessons given the timescales we are up against.
- Can create some complicated and big network, but need to keep focus on enabling action
- The network must support action not just map what already exists. Enough reports already.
- Tech expertise, funds and volunteers with the passion are often separated. They are all required to work together. That needs to be the networks' mission.
- Much of this networking has previously done this (eg Transition groups) now the focus has gone to HUB this may deny funding to existing groups.
- Regional Network Coordinators may come in when much of this information is already held by regional Third Sector Interfaces.
- It's really hard to get funds and they are always competitive and stretched.

Opportunities

- Really good to have Network coordinators can really help find the best way for local hubs
- Time on this is really valued
- We love fuzzy boundaries this allows people / communities to join the groups they feel match them
- Short cutting lessons from different projects
- Solutions need to work for the community actions must be a true picture of what community thinks and needs
- Find the gaps, don't duplicate
- How do we connect and share the learning effectively?
- Funding scramble with help this might be easier
- Lots of people have been working in this so far, it is good to try new approaches
- The existing trial hubs have different approaches one a Dev Trust, One community group partnerships. Interested to know the advantages of each

Anything else

• Elizabeth is a researcher working with farmers in Malawi, she would like to connect with others and share experiences and learn to make more effective interventions.

Ideas collected from Afternoon Workshop 3 - in person

Facilitator: Reem Elsapagh

Main points shared:

- Transparency
- Diversity data- planning a strategy and sharing it
- Tailor roles
- Advertise with different groups
- Funding for creche, translation etc
- Utilise support in place to remove barriers including disability
- What is the incentive for them to join?
- Engage with groups in appropriate opportunities
- Showcase your role models
- We need to go them in an environment where they are comfortable

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