

OA 2020 - Local Community Engagement program

WORKSHOP SESSION 1

North Skye & Raasay

Present : Anne Gillies (Raasay), Catriona MacDonald (Portree), Neil Ferguson (Glendale) , Mairi MacDonald (Staffin), Jessica Donaldson (Minginish), Maureen Webster (Minginish), Neil Campbell (Portree) , Sophie Isaacson,

Feedback on the proposed sessions/ Logistics



The group thinks that 3 hours should be the max length for a meeting online




The group also asked for there to be a 15 minute break in the middle of the three hours for people to get a cup of tea / use bathroom.




The group asked for icons / clear buttons / images to be used for voting if possible

**Workshop 2 Scheduled for Friday
13th November 10 - 11**

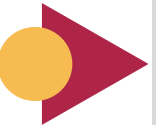
Observations / Thoughts




Because of Covid - The group thinks that there might be some different people who want to be involved in the OA, or who might now value health and wellbeing more who might want to have their voices heard




The group are keen to engage with more younger people and involve them in the process somehow



The group identified that there are 2 levels of engagement and representation. 1) Representation from each area at the OA meetings and 2) Ensuring representatives are engaging and feeding back info and feeding in thoughts and concerns with their local community / village throughout the process

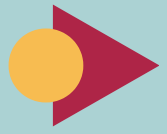


The group suggested that as well as third sector representatives we should also be engaging with representatives of different groups of vulnerable people in our community (mental health / complex needs etc)



Ensure the process has large text / visuals / is open to all - accessibility eg for those with sensory impairment

Key Suggestions as we approach the OA



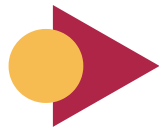
Clear , bright, friendly graphics - so people recognise that we are talking about the OA, what it is / used for all posters / adverts / online / even in paperwork sent out



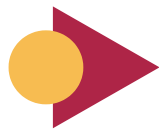
We must make sure we offer clear IT support & how to access it on the posters / info as we advertise



The group suggested that the zooms should be recorded and then shared on our website - so community representatives can share links to the OA pages with local community members - so they have all of the info.



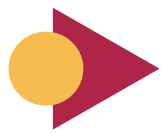
Clear pathways for community members to send comments and feedback - with clear guidelines - so as not to have lots of negative spam - clear, constructive feedback and comments.



Sophie will get in touch with the modern Studies department of Portree High School to see if they would like to engage with the process / watch the recordings and give their own feedback - a project for them - and would be interesting to have their feedback and thoughts :)



The group would like to have a half page in the paper for 3 weeks running up to the event starting so that people can have lots of info - see the graphics / descriptions regularly in advance.



The group felt it was very important for there to be a current 'the new situation' information session before we launch into the OA again as things have changed .We need lots of clear, up to date information / scene setting