



Orkney Youth Conference 2023

#OrkneyYC2023

16 March 2023

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Muddisdale Rd, Kirkwall, KW15 1LR

Programme

Registration	09:30 – 10:00	Grainayre
Welcome and Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • OIC Convenor Graham Bevan – Opening Remarks • Richard Smith, Community Learning Officer – Format of the Day • Bruce Adamson – Children and Young People’s Commissioner - Welcome 	10:00 – 10:20	Cinema
Keynote Speakers <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Iain Corbett • Andrew Kean 	10:20 – 11:00	Cinema
Workshop	11:00 – 11:45	As per below
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Lunch and Marketplace (staggered lunch)	12:30 – 13:30	Grainayre / Cafe
Workshop	13:30 – 14:15	As per below
Involvement / Engagement session with panel	14:15 – 14:45	Cinema
Closing remarks and Evaluation – Tim Frew, CEO, YouthLink Scotland	14:45– 14:55	Cinema

Keynote Speakers



Bruce Adamson, Children and Young People's Commissioner: Bruce is a lawyer with over 20 years of experience in human rights. As Commissioner since 2017 he has been responsible for promoting and safeguarding the rights of children and young people across Scotland. His office, working with their young advisers, have helped secure legislative change in relation to the age of criminal responsibility, the physical punishment of children, and hopefully within the next few months the incorporation of the UNCRC into Scots law.

Bruce has acted as an international expert for the United Nations, Council of Europe, European Union, OSCE, and during the covid pandemic advised the WHO on children's rights. He has worked in over 20 countries and has been a member of international advisory groups on issues such as child human rights defenders, strategic litigation, strengthening children's rights institutions, and reform of the European Court of Human Rights.

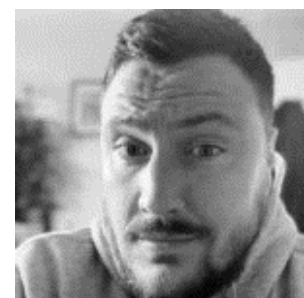
He is a former Chair of the European Network of Ombuds for Children representing 44 Independent Children's Rights Institutions from across the Council of Europe. He was a member of the Children's Panel for 13 years and is a former Chair of the Scottish Child Law Centre.

Andrew Kean, CEO and Founder Firstpoint USA: After spells with Hearts and Motherwell, Andrew earned a soccer scholarship to the University of Cincinnati and became the program's first All-American award winner in their history.



In 2001, Andrew founded FirstPoint USA with the assistance of a £1,000 loan from the Prince's Scottish Youth Business Trust, and 20 years later the company has gone on to support over 20,000 young sportsmen and women to pursue a similar life-changing experience. A highly respected business leader, he has been a finalist in the Shell LIVEwire Entrepreneur of the Year and Royal Bank of Scotland Young Entrepreneur of the Year awards, respectively. In 2002, he was named as a finalist for the 'Scotsman of the Year' award, while he has also served on the Board of the England Women's Golf Association (now England Golf) and as an Aftercare Advisor for the Prince's Trust.

Iain Corbett: Iain is a youth worker and community development practitioner with a wealth of experience supporting young people in Glasgow and the west. Currently he is involved in a number of projects. He is a youth mentor at G20 works – a CiC looking to reduce violence and offending by providing jobs and personal development. He is a Research Associate at the University of Glasgow exploring Public Health, Youth and Violence Reduction and is a Project Development Lead at NeighbourlyLab, a UK wide non-profit organisation using innovative ways of bringing people together. His own lived experience of violence, antisocial behaviour and navigating the justice system also led Iain to joining the Executive Governance Group at the Children and Young Peoples Centre for Justice (CYCJ)

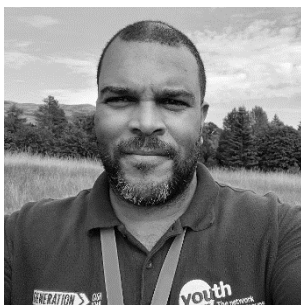


Tim Frew, CEO Youthlink: Tim Frew is Chief Executive of YouthLink Scotland. He graduated with MA (Hons) in History & Classics at the University of Glasgow, in 1996, completed a PGCCE to qualify as a Community Education practitioner from the University of Edinburgh in 2000 and achieved an MBA from University of Strathclyde Business School in 2011. Tim has been working in the youth work sector for over 20 years, in England and Scotland for the public and voluntary sectors. Tim has had a range of roles at YouthLink Scotland and led on a number of key sector initiatives and national programmes. He is a proud member of the Standards Council for CLD, and was one of the first committee members as a member of CeVe and served on the Approvals Committee of the Council from 2008 until recently. Tim is an Associate Assessor for Education Scotland and Co-Chairs the #IWill Advisory Group for Scotland and the NYWS Stakeholder Reference Group.



Workshops

Cost of Living (Pool Viewing Area)



Kobi Cooke -Youth Scotland

Attitudes to money – We will explore the importance young people place on money & stereotypes regarding money

Cost of Living - Using digital resource we will provide an explanation of what 'Cost of Living' means and then relate this to young people's own situation.

Inflation – We give young people the basics of what inflation is and what the impact may be for young people.

Tax & Payslips – We give the basics of tax and explain how payslips are your receipt for work.



Mental Health Awareness (St Magnus Suite)



Claire Jennings and Orla Murray – SEE ME

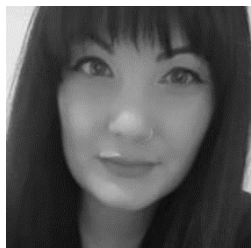
This will be an interactive workshop to build confidence in talking about our mental health and having supportive conversations.

Through activities from See Me's 'What's on Your Mind' pack and 'Feels FM', the world's first emoji powered jukebox, we can learn together about how we can normalise conversations about our mental health and know where to find resources and tools to support this.



Content Creation (The Noust)

John Nicholson and Charlotte Holder, Young Scot



You'll work with our Creative Team and discover how you can create fun and interesting video content to share on our website.

In groups, you'll get the chance to create a storyboard, explore current trends and media effects and learn how to record your own videos to share your thoughts on the issues that are important to you.



Marketplace

The marketplace will host national and local organisations and is an opportunity for young people to find out more information about organisations that can support them with their lives and futures.

Involvement/Engagement session

In this session a panel of representatives will engage with young people. This will be an interactive session with discussions, polls, quizzes and debate. It is an opportunity for young people to express their views and opinions to help shape Youth Engagement in Orkney.

Evaluation

Young people will be linked up to an interactive evaluation session using Mentimeter.



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