*Children and Families Third Sector Forum*

Tuesday June 18th, 2-4pm, In person

**Chair:** Helen Davis

**Note taker:** Victoria Isbister (VSGWL)

**Guest Speaker:** Caroline Millar (Children’s First) and Douglas Guest (Circle)

**Apologies:**

Raymond Branton (Play Works) Daisy Drop in Tracy Kerr (VSGWL)

Karen Nailen (CAB) Rosemary Sleith (Open Door)

**Attendees:**

Garry Walker (The Larder) Collette Moran (School Bank) Hazel Tyson (Circle)

Wilma Murray (Carers)

Welcome

Helen welcomed everyone to today’s in person meeting and thanked Douglas and Caroline for coming today to talk about The Promise.

Meeting Dates

Victoria advised there were 9 survey responses – seven people preferred every second month, two people preferred six weekly.

All agreed to cancel next meeting in July due to summer holidays.

Decision to meet as planned August 20th and discuss future dates with awareness of *Third Sector Strategy Group (TSSG) forum dates.*

June 27th August 22nd October 3rd November 14th

*Currently booked Meeting Dates:**\*Hybrid \* Gateway Tuesday 1pm to 2.30pm*

August 20th September 17th October 22nd November 19th

December 17th January 21st February 18t March 18th

Forum admin

Terms of reference to be reviewed at next meeting.

Forum may require a new Chairperson going forward.

Presentation: The Promise

Please see attachments – Victoria to circulate.

Group work

Whole family support: People wrote on a post it note what their organisation does and had discussions around how that work fits into the Promise principles.

* Conversations around challenges.
* Discussions surrounding gaps and next steps.
* Importance of knowing what other organizations in West Lothian do to promote positive working partnerships across The Third Sector.

Next Steps

What is the best way for organizations to engage with this policy? Collaboration.

Caroline and Douglas will have a conversation with the council and present feedback. Thanked all for input.

Further discussion about co-design at August meeting.

Possibility for future event once more in place (if helpful).