



The Professional Association of Lecturers
in Youth and Community Work

THE ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL CONFERENCE: 10th JULY 2020

Delivering differently: a brave new world for education in youth and community work?

Time:	Content:	Contributors/Notes:
10.25am	Please log in early, delegates will be welcomed in from the Zoom waiting room at 10.30am	Any issues with log on, please email: hello@tagaplycw.org
10.30am	Welcome and introduction to the day <i>Including Zoom conference etiquette</i>	National Officer: Paul Fenton
10.35am	Sector updates: Short presentations from national representatives across the UK and all Ireland.	<i>In alphabetical order of nations...</i> England: Kevin Jones, NYA/ETS England Ireland: Olive Ring, NSETS/NYCI Scotland: Marion Allison, CLD Standards Wales: Gill Price, TAGCYMRU/ETS Wales
11.00am	Open questions and feedback on activity and engagement across the membership	Chair: Paul Fenton
11.15am	Theme 1: Practicing Differently Exploring how we provide meaningful practice opportunities for students; including methods and approaches to engagement with 'socially distanced' models of youth & community work.	Chair: Christine Smith Rapporteur: Paula Smallcombe This will be an open conference session in the 'main room'.
11.45am	Comfort Break – Grab a Coffee! Please <u>remain logged in</u> to the room but switch off video/sound while we allocate you to a group	<i>Breakout groups will be allocated in this window, so please remain logged in</i>
12.00pm	Theme 2: Delivering Digitally Exploring the policy and practice of teaching that embraces digital tools; and digital approaches to supporting the development of teaching and learning opportunities in HE courses.	Opening Presentation: Dr Jane Melvin: University of Brighton <i>Once Upon a Time There was a Virus...</i> <i>(See description on page 3)</i>
12.10pm	Theme 2 Breakout Group Discussion You will be automatically moved to a discussion group to respond and add comment to the theme	Each group will be facilitated by an Association member, with a colleague recording commentary in the chat tool.
12.40pm	Theme 2 Plenary You will automatically return to the main room to hear feedback on this theme from all groups	Each group will feedback through their facilitator and/or rapporteur.
1.00pm	Lunch Break – Take a break and grab some food	

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1.00pm	Lunch Break – Take a break and grab some food Colleagues that wish to remain online to chat over lunch are welcome; and small breakout groups can be enabled by request using ‘chat’.	
1.30pm	The Association’s Annual General Meeting This will involve a look back on the work of the Association in 2019-20; confirmation of the election of the Board of Directors; and a presentation of the Association’s new strategic direction in the form of our ‘Project 2025’ plan to enable greater distributed agency in enabling the membership through WIRE Groups in 2020-21.	Chair: Christine Smith National Officer: Paul Fenton Secretary: Paula Smallcombe
2.15pm	Comfort Break – Have a shimmy & grab a drink! Please <u>remain logged in</u> to the room but switch off video/sound while we allocate you to a group	<i>Breakout groups will be allocated in this window, so please remain logged in</i>
2.30pm	Theme 3: Social Change Exploring perspectives on innovation in educational practices that challenge social injustice and promote social change.	Annette Coburn and Sinead Gormally <i>What does a well-being economy mean for Community and Youth Work Education?</i> <i>(See description on page 3)</i>
2.40pm	Theme 3 Breakout Group Discussion You will be automatically moved to a discussion group to respond and add comment to the theme	Each group will be facilitated by an Association member, with a colleague recording commentary in the chat tool.
3.10pm	Theme 3 Plenary You will automatically return to the main room to hear feedback on this theme from all groups	Each group will feedback through their facilitator and/or rapporteur.
3.30pm	Comfort Break – take a walk, stretch your legs! Please <u>remain logged in</u> to the room but switch off video/sound while we allocate you to a group	<i>Quiz groups will be allocated in this window, so please remain logged in</i>
3.45pm	Plenary and Birthday Celebration A summary of outcomes from the day and celebration of the Association 10 th Birthday	Summary: Sheila Curran Birthday thoughts: Lyn Boyd
4.00pm	Quiz of the Year A fun and friendly social activity to end the day. Random groups will be created to introduce colleagues, share a virtual drink and relax.	This is purely fun, bring a hat (!), pour a drink – kick back and enjoy the company of colleagues as we see out the day with a few laughs (hopefully).
4.30pm (ish)	The big wave! Following the quiz results	Photo opportunity as we say goodbye

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Full Conference Presentations:

12.00pm

Theme 2: Delivering Digitally

Dr Jane Melvin: University of Brighton

Once Upon a Time There was a Virus...

A whimsical exploration of the experiences of tutors and students, both under-graduate and post-graduate, English and Mauritian, during the global Covid-19 lockdown. This presentation is based on auto-ethnographical accounts of teaching and learning online, and will explore narratives collected during the lockdown period from March to June 2020.

The brilliant moments and the epic fails, as well as the frustrations and the celebrations of teaching and learning digitally, will be explored through the stories and anecdotes of those that participated. Of particular interest is the ability of both tutors and students to become digitally agile when they really have to, and questions whether remote teaching and learning may now have a greater role to play within work-based learning programmes than once thought.

2.30pm

Theme 3: Social Change

**Eddie Beggan, Annette Coburn (University of West of Scotland)
and Sinead Gormally (University of Glasgow)**

What does a well-being economy mean for Community and Youth Work Education?

This presentation considers whether HE practice supports CYW for well-being, beyond, the current Covid pandemic. The Scottish Government's Advisory Group on Economic Recovery has offered guidance in response to the Covid Pandemic. The group was asked NOT to signpost a return to the status quo and consequently has proposed measures that support different sectoral challenges during the recovery period. These measures seek to maximise practices which facilitate transition towards a greener, well-being economy. Underpinned by an understanding that 'quality of life' should be as important as economic growth, the report notes that, despite its devastating mortality impacts, Covid- 19 offers a chance for social change. It advocates for development of a more robust and resilient economy that is grounded in four pillars of Economic, Environmental, Human and Social capital.

Specifically the presentation draws on perspectives from community arts, open access youth work, and autobiographies of HE practices, to show that we are well-placed to respond to this shifting economic context. It also considers how the curriculum in current qualifying programmes and community practices, might need to change in contributing towards making change happen. This raises questions on the realities of a meaningful interface between our programmes and local or regional communities.