

CRAIGMILLAR ABILITY NETWORK

YEAR TO 31 MARCH 2008

Objectives and Activities

The company aims to provide:

- > To provide information, advice and guidance on opportunities for training, education, skills development and employment for people with disabilities.
- > To provide support and advocacy for people with disabilities, their families and carers, to enable them to have equal access to all local facilities and services.
- > To improve understanding of and encourage commitment to the promotion of disability equality among policy-makers, planners, employers, service providers and the general public.
- > to bring together and maintain a forum or similar body of people with disabilities living within the area of benefit as a means of:
 - > exchanging information and experiences.
 - > providing mutual support and encouragement
 - > enabling collective responses to consultation; and
 - > representing the interest of disabled people on relevant bodies.

Significant activities

Members will have improved standard of living due to increased income and reduced debt achieving £100,000 of client financial gain annually

The number of members experiencing social isolation will be reduced significantly by engaging in community activities

Members will have access to improved health through group activities.

Members will be supported to access education, training and employment.

Quantified use of volunteers

Volunteers are recruited, inducted and supported through the volunteer agreement.

Achievements and performance

Outcomes are agreed and monitored by funders. Currently the City Of Edinburgh Neighbourhood Partnership. The Big Lottery Fund and Lloyds TSB Foundation for Scotland
Performance indicators include

- > The satisfactory submission of an annual Self Monitoring Annual Report (SMAR)
- > Compliance with the Fairer Scotland Fund and the Conditions of the Grant
- > Annual operational budgets being submitted and agreed
- > Project targets with evidenced achievement of outcomes

Fundraising

Fundraising performance are set at the regular meeting between designated board members and the manager. These targets are monitored within the monthly report to the board of directors at the board meeting.

Reduction in central government budgets has a knock on effect by reduced allocation to City budgets and then local Neighbourhood Partnerships. Competition for Big Lottery Funding e.g. The 2012 Olympics, and changing criteria by the various grant makers.