

Focus Group 18/08/15

In attendance:

- Joseph
- Erin Slaven
- Katie
- Emma
- Niamh McC
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- Hannah
- Fiona

Aims of the project

Members were asked if they felt as though the objectives of the project were being met. These objectives were:

- Increased understanding/awareness of issues
- Being able to 'fight your corner'
- Experience for field of work/study
- More positive use of the media
- Be able to educate others/discuss issues.

Members said they felt as though these objectives were being met, that there were opportunities to get experience for uni/work. Reminded to bring forward anything that might be useful for their work or study that is relevant to the project and that references are always available. Members also said that there was definitely more positive use of social media through following accounts and increased education through articles being posted – members felt as though articles were relevant and informative.

Forum

We talked about the online forum. Asked members whether they felt that the online forum was easy to navigate? Did they receive alerts when something was updated on the online forum? Members said they found the online forum quite difficult to navigate and there were no alerts. Suggestion that we create a private Facebook group for discussion amongst members, although we would need to decide how best to share documents, perhaps through a mailing list or dropbox?

- Hannah will create private Facebook group and invite members.

Articles and Blog