

International Special Interest Group Report for 2009/10

Introduction

It has been another challenging year for the ISIG's Management Board and the volunteers have continued to take on extra responsibilities to further progress the work done to date. Mark Elliott was appointed as the Chair since January. Thanks to Les Milne for his leadership during his role as Chair. Peter Minhinnett continues to be an active President for the ISIG.

CPD Hours for 2009/10

An indication of the Region's CPD hours from 1 October 2009 – 30 September 2010 is attached in a spreadsheet.

Highlights of 2009/10

This year the Region has:

- Organised 2 very successful training days for members including training event with RedR
- Engaged with Tim Everett at CIEH to draft the International Strategy
- Produced 5 newsletters for members
- Joint meeting with Port Health SIG
- 4 Commonwealth Fellows from Jamaica, Kenya, Uganda and Zambia hosted by different Regions

2010/2011

Next year we intend to build on our current successes by organising another two CPD training days for members to provide an opportunity to learn and network on international activities. We also plan to:

- Work with the CIEH in producing an International Strategy
- Develop the membership database
- Improve communication with our members
- Collate information on twinning links for all the Regions/SIGs

- Explore access to support and funding streams available.

Finances

Our financial position has been stable over the past year and all arrangements have now been passed to our treasurer David Purchon.

Communicating with Members

We have made full use of our website, newsletters and Open Members Forum event this year and intend to continue to develop these further during the forthcoming year. We have also set up a Facebook Group.

Who's who / More information

The ISIG Management Board is made up of:

Chair – Mark Elliott

Vice Chair – Tony Bride

Secretary – Sarah Johns

Communications Secretary – Barrie Whitehead

Treasurer – David Purchon

President - Peter Minhinnett

MB Members - Claire Turbutt, Charlotte Landeg, Helen Perry, Teresa Isaacs, Terry Nevin, Rowan Hughes, Viv Mason, Les Milne, Alan Page and Andrew Mathieson.

Further information about the ISIG, including contact details for all our Secretaries and Officers, is available on our website: <http://www.cieh.org/international>