Transition Trainers’ Dreaming Circle for “Groups”

If you have a Yes! to all of these, please join Naresh and Sophy of Transition Training at our first Dreaming Circle for people with expertise in teaching how to create and sustain effective groups at Braziers Park, on Dec 1-3rd, 2010.

What is it?

Our intention is to develop the next generation of training for Transition Initiatives (TIs), and to widen the group of people who are involved in creating and delivering this.

In this dreaming circle we will be piloting a new idea – to take a theme, invite practitioners, and create a collaborative community who can work in partnership with Transition Network to offer training in a particular field of relevance to Transition. For our first pilot we have chosen the question of groups - how to get one started, how to get it to work well, and what to do with difficulties. Just about everything in Transition works in groups, so getting them to be fun and effective is fundamental to the growth and wellbeing of projects.

Who is it open to?

We welcome all facilitators and trainers who have expertise in teaching people how to get groups and group process to be successful. This includes group forming and stages of group life, group dynamics, structuring effective meetings, understanding roles and tasks, communication and conflict, building trust and depth, designing the appropriate structure, and creating healthy cultures of power and leadership. As we will be assuming a fair level of experience, it is not open to people wishing to learn about groups.

How will it work?

As a pilot we will be figuring the process out as we go, following a plan that looks something like this:

• Identify training objectives, from knowledge of Transition and other groups and issues
• Identify training or other interventions that can support groups with these issues
• Share practices, modules, methods for training or facilitating learning and support
• Identify ways forward to fully develop training and other offerings
• Create project groups responsible for taking the work forward

Our plan is that this is the first of several dreaming circles to develop new trainings, as well as learning to work in a self organising and evolving way with the Transition model and practice.
Costs

You will need to cover your own cost of travel, accommodation and food, otherwise the event is free. The cost of accommodation for the 2 days, room plus all meals will be £155 for a single room, £135 double, and £115 camping and £105 non residential including all meals. The venue is Braziers Park near Oxford. www.braziers.org.uk

Arrival time: from 11am on 1st December
Depart: 4pm on 3rd December

To Book

Email Sasha Nathanson sasha@transitionnetwork.org to book, or send a £30 deposit to:

Sasha Nathanson, Transition Network, 43 Fore Street, Totnes, TQ9 5HN, enclosing a cheque or details of BACS payment.

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