

Children and Young People's Network



Representing the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS)
Working with Children and Young People in B&NES

Update 2015/16 e-bulletin

Welcome to the December Update e-bulletin of the Children and Young People's Network. If you have any relevant information (details of meetings, events, training, consultations, conferences, developments etc.) that you would like included in future bulletins, please contact me. If you have any feedback regarding this bulletin, or would like to let me know what you think should be included, then please do not hesitate to contact me.

I hope you find the e-bulletin useful.

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Christmas Closure – the Network Office will now be closed from Thursday 17 December and will re-open Monday 4 January 2016. Have a great holiday and all best wishes for the new year ahead.

National News and Information

Is your Charity's Financial Management Robust Enough. A practical guide to financial management of voluntary sector organisations, appropriate to organisations of all sizes, regardless of activity, remit or constitution.

The book covers topics such as:

- structuring the organisation for financial strength
- budgeting
- resource management
- charity accounts and financial management
- tax.

<https://www.ncvo.org.uk/component/redshop/1-publications/P79-good-guide-to-financial-management>

The Council for Disabled Children (CDC) at the National Children's Bureau has launched a new website to inform children and young people of their right to high quality healthcare from the NHS. [Get your rights: everything you need to get the most out of the NHS](#)

Minister outlines future education role for councils. The government has clarified the role it expects councils to play in shaping and monitoring local education services as the number of schools that convert to academy status increases. Schools minister Lord Nash said the government expected local authorities to retain responsibility for a range of school functions including sufficiency of places and admissions, special educational needs (SEN) and safeguarding. There are also plans to cut £600m from the **education services grant (ESG)** given to councils to support their school improvement and pupil support work. David Cameron said local authorities controlling schools was a "failed approach of the past". Roy Perry, chairman of the **Local Government Association's** children and young people board, said councils are well placed to intervene to improve education. "Councils should be regarded as education improvement partners and be allowed to intervene early and use their solid experience, integrity and desire to help improve the system," [Read more here.](#)

FGM 'Everybody's Business' is a new website launched by young people to educate their peers about FGM and what they can do to stop it. Visit: <http://fgm-every-bodys-biz.co.uk/>

A Parental Guide to Coping with Self-Harm. The Department of Psychiatry at the University of Oxford has published a guide for parents on coping with their child's self-harm which is based on their in-depth research with parents. [Download the guide here.](#)

New documentary from Men Get Eating Disorders Too. 'Millstone' is a new documentary by Men Get Eating Disorders Too* and director Florence Pellanci. It tells the stories of men who speak about their experiences from illness to recovery: vimeo.com/143140171

Local and Regional News and Information

The 'Voice Minority' film is the creation of the young people of the Black Families Education support group's Saturday supplementary school, and Bristol based film maker Michael Jenkins of 8th Sense Media. The young people want the Voice Minority film to be used as a tool and a starting point to highlight, explore and challenge the stereotypes, micro aggressions and racism

that they face as black and minority ethnic young people living in B&NES. See <http://bit.ly/1N5WE3u> For information about the Voice Minority film or the Black Families Education support group contact the supplementary school coordinator Mark De'Lisser E: coordinator@educationequals.org.uk

Rampage Life Skills re-starting in January 2016. Following a short break, Bath Area Play Project has successfully secured funding from Children in Need to continue its Rampage Life Skills sessions for a further three years starting on Tuesday 4 January, 5-6.30pm at Odd Down Community Centre, Odins Road, Bath. Rampage Life Skills is a small, relaxed group for young people with mild to moderate learning difficulties. The free sessions, which have no more than 8 young people in each, are planned and adapted according to those attending and young people are supported to give their input and ideas. Everything is practical with snacks, cooking and trips included. T: Sam Ward 07792 552 767 E: sam@bathareaplayproject.co.uk

Transforming Mental Health and Wellbeing Services. The B&NES Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) Transformation Plan has now been assured by NHS England and an allocation of £333,000 per year can now be drawn down. The plan will be published in December on the NHS BaNES Clinical Commissioning Group and local authority websites. Within the funding that has been allocated a substantial amount has been ring-fenced for services who work on eating disorders.

Wheels for All - new winter sessions. Wheels for All is running a series of indoor cycling sessions for children and adults with health, learning and social needs, this winter. The sessions will be held at Beechen Cliff School Sports Barn and are being made possible thanks to funding from St John's Hospital in Bath. Sessions take place from 12 noon – 1pm on the following Saturdays: January 16 & 27, and February 12 and 27. To find out more or book a place please call 0753 026 3014 or email wheelsforall@bathnes.gov.uk

Meetings, Conferences and Events

Launch of Early Help Strategy, Parenting Strategy and Thresholds Document

on Monday 18th January 2016 from 10.30am-12.30pm at The Fry Club & Conference Centre, Keynsham, Bristol, BS31 2AU. If you would like to book a place please email chloe_tees@bathnes.gov.uk or call 01225 477959.

Interagency meetings for 2016

- Tues 23rd Feb, Southdown Methodist Church, Bath, 12.30pm - 2pm
- Tues 15th Mar, Chew Magna Baptist Church, Tunbridge Road, Chew Magna, 12pm - 2pm
- Wed 20th April, Council Chamber, The Hollies, Midsomer Norton, 12pm - 2pm
- Wed 18th May, Community at 67, Queens Road, Keynsham, 12pm - 2pm
- Tues 14th June, Southdown Methodist Church, Bath, 12.30pm - 2pm
- Wed 20th July, Council Chamber, The Hollies, Midsomer Norton, 12pm - 2pm
- Tues 18th Oct, Chew Magna Baptist Church, Tunbridge Road, Chew Magna, 12pm - 2pm
- Wed 16th Nov, Community at 67, Queens Road, Keynsham, 12pm - 2pm

Connecting Communities Forums

The November meetings of the Connecting Communities Forums hosted the Council's Budget proposal and the consultation on the West of England Joint Spatial Plan. [View the presentations](#) from the meeting. The next round of Forum meetings will take place as follows:

21st Jan, 6pm, Bath City Forum

17th Feb, 6pm, Keynsham Area Forum

22nd Feb, 6pm, Chew Valley Area Forum

23rd Feb, 6pm, Bathavon Area Forum

25th Feb, 6pm, Somer Valley Area Forum

[Papers and agendas will be available online](#) in due course. For more information contact Mark Hayward on 01225 396975 or e-mail mark_hayward@bathnes.gov.uk

Supporting Volunteers - Volunteer Hub Event This evening cheese and wine event aims to enable organisations and groups that are or wish to utilise volunteers in their work supporting people, to get together and plan how to work together to best support volunteers. Some potential outcomes from a Hub:

1. Volunteers have access to lots of good quality training provided by many organisations, you provide a few of these
2. Volunteering comes with the option of a qualification
3. All volunteering delivered in line with latest good practice
4. More opportunities for volunteers to progress (socially, confidence, education, employment)
5. [Investors in volunteers](#) – Working together to achieve

Thursday 28th January 2016 6.15pm – 9pm, The Bubble, St John's Hospital, Chapel Court, Bath, BA1 1SQ. **How to book** - E-mail events@thecareforum.org.uk Please include: Volunteer Hub Event, your name, organisation, any access requirements. The 45 places allocated on a first come basis – open to staff and volunteers.

Building Young People's Character and Resilience in Schools Regional Conference.

Learning South West is planning a regional conference on building young people's resilience and character in schools and colleges, using youth work and non-traditional approaches. The conference will take place on **Tuesday 1st March 2016 at Bishops Hull House, Taunton.**

If you have experience of using youth work or other non-traditional methods to support young people in education, they would love to hear about your experiences. They want the conference to be an opportunity to share learning and develop practice that builds young people's resilience, helps raise their aspirations and achievement, and enables them to develop the skills and qualities they need to make successful transitions. If you would be prepared to contribute to the conference, please contact Jane Shipton: jane_shipton@learning-southwest.org.uk or Tel: 01823 365441 / 335491 by **Friday 15th January 2016.**

More details and booking arrangements for the conference will be circulated in the New Year, once the programme is in place.

Business and Funding

The Medlock Charitable Trust is based in Bath - priority is given to organisations in the City of Bath and the Borough of Boston, charitable organisation across the UK may apply for a grant. Trust that offers grants to charitable organisations active in the UK. Grants have previously been made to fund projects in the areas of:

- Education;
- Medicine;
- Research; and
- Social welfare services for the benefit of the local community.

The largest grants were awarded of £250,000 over 5 years to the University of Bath to help establish a department in Military Veteran Health and £250,000 over 5 years to the Holburne Museum for educational purposes. However, **most of the 176 grants awarded were for £15,000 or below** (158) and of the 18 grants over this figure £305,000 went to small grant making trusts such as Boshier-Hinton, Quartet and Somerset Masonic Charities. The application process is ongoing and interested applicants may apply at any time in writing. The Trust does not have a website. Further information, however, is available on the [Charity Commission website](#).

Transforming Care for children and young people with learning disabilities and / or autism Grants Programme 2015-16. NHS England have launched a small grant programme with the following aims;

- to help children and young people with mental health problems or behaviour which challenges to be supported to stay with or close to their families in their local communities;
- to support children who live away from home or in learning disability and mental health hospitals, or;
- to improve the support for children through their transition into adulthood.

Any not-for-profit organisation can bid for part of the £400,000 grant. Download [Info for Stakeholders](#) and [Application Form](#) here. The deadline for bids is 30th December 2015. <https://www.england.nhs.uk/learningdisabilities/care/camhs/>

Free Lunch-Time Webinars on Public Procurement from Stone King Solicitors: <http://www.stoneking.co.uk/news-events/event/lunchtime-webinar-series-charities-and-public-procurement-2-12.01.16>

Funding Bulletin. B&NES are now producing a monthly Funding Bulletin. Read the latest and sign up here: <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/neighbourhoods-and-community-safety/community-grants-and-funding/funding-bulletins> or contact the funding and programme team E: FundingAndProgrammes@bathnes.gov.uk or T: 01225 477669/477278. **Here is something from this month's bulletin:**

The [Near Neighbours programme](#) offers small grants between £250 and £5,000, providing seed capital for local groups and organisations who are working to bring together neighbours, to develop relationships across diverse faiths and ethnicities in order to improve their communities. Deadline: scheme will close in March 2016.

Training

Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work Practice - Venue in Central Bath, February 2016

The Regional Youth Work Unit at Learning South West is working with Bath and North East Somerset Youth Connect Service to offer the new ABC Awards Level 3 Diploma in Youth Work Practice. This course is nationally recognised as a qualification for Youth Support Workers and will suit you if you are currently working with young people in a youth work setting.

The course will be held in Bath starting in February 2016 and will combine regular taught sessions with individual assessment and tutorials and practical experience in youth work.

To complete the course you will need to:

- Be working or volunteering in a youth work setting
- Attend regular taught sessions
- Complete course work that shows that you understand youth work concepts and approaches
- Be observed in your work with young people and provide a portfolio of evidence of your practical youth work skills
- Participate in 1-1 tutorials and assessment meetings.

You should be able to complete the course by Autumn 2016.

Bath & NE Somerset's Youth Connect Service is providing free places on the course for its staff. Other places are available to voluntary organisations working within Bath & North East Somerset at a cost of £600. To apply contact: Jane Shipton on 01823 365441 or jane_shipton@learning-southwest.org.uk and **submit application by Friday 8 January 2016**

Find out more by contacting Gill Millar at the Regional Youth Work Unit on 01823 347958

Safe Network confirms designated safeguarding officer (DSO) training The total cost of the Safe Network DSO training is £175. This includes the introductory module and the one day face-to-face input. The dates and venues (specific details of venues will be confirmed shortly) are:

- 14th January 2016 – NSPCC National Training Centre, Leicester
- 11th February 2016 – Leeds Beckett University, Leeds
- 17th March 2016 – The Gestalt Centre, London

Prior to attending the course you will need to have completed the introductory session. Until the e-learning module is ready, this will be delivered via a specially pre-recorded webinar, which will be made available to successful applicants. [More information.](#)

B&NES Children's Workforce Training:

To book your place on these courses or to find out more information, please visit <http://bathnes.learningpool.com>.

- **Report Writing**, Mon 11th Jan 2016 from 09.30 – 16.30. Midsomer Norton
- **Deliberate Self Harm And Suicide**, Mon 18th January 2016 from 09.30-13.00. Guildhall
- **Eating Disorders**, Weds 27th January 2016 from 09.30-16.30. Keynsham.
- **Introduction To Attachment**, Thurs 4th February 2016 from 09.30-16.30. Midsomer Norton
- **Initiating and recording difficult conversations**, 10th February 2016 from 10.00-12.00
- **Emerging Borderline Personality Disorders And DBT**, Weds 10th February 2016 from 09.30-16.30. Keynsham
- **Loss and Bereavement**, Tues 8th March 2016 from 09.30-13.00. Midsomer Norton

All Course Bookings for Children's Workforce Training should be made through the new online booking system. Bookings must be made through <http://bathnes.learningpool.com/> where you can book onto courses under the following headings:

- [Early Help & Integrated Working](#)
- [Physical & Emotional Wellbeing](#)
- [Safeguarding & Child Protection](#)

Further information available from Children's Workforce Training: 01225 394210 or childrensworkforce_training@bathnes.gov.uk

Remember there is free Child Sexual Exploitation training available from B&NES - look for it on [the B&NES Learning pool site](#):

- Half day introductory course
- Full day course available please check the Learning Pool for dates.

If a multi-agency group gets together and wants training – Rachel will come and do the training free.

What is Child Sexual Exploitation?

Child sexual exploitation is when children and young people receive something (such as food, accommodation, drugs, alcohol, cigarettes, affection, gifts, or money) as a result of performing, and/or others performing on them, sexual activities. Child sexual exploitation can occur through the use of the internet or on mobile phones. In all cases, those exploiting the child or young person have power over them because of their age, gender, intellect, physical strength and/or resources.

Read more in the Network Meeting notes (attached with this email).

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