

Children and Young People's Network



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

March 2016 e-bulletin

Welcome to the March 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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Children and Young People's Network News

CYP Network Meeting 23 February – Please [find meeting notes](#) here.

Further information on potential support for VCS in B&NES will be available in the meeting notes and minutes for the Public Services Board VCS Reference Group on 24 Feb which are being prepared. These will be circulated soon.

.Reps Reports.

LSCB – Roz Lambert. A huge amount of documentation , strategy, policy has come from LSCB recently. It is all on their website – have a look at what is applicable for your organisation:

<http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/children-young-people-and-families/child-protection/local-safeguarding-children-board>

Children's Trust Board – Caroline Haworth. In September the CTB will become a subgroup of the Health & Wellbeing Board. This will ensure that, within our ageing population, the work of the Health & Wellbeing Board looks at the needs of children & young people as well as adults. The focus of the CTB will still be driven by the Children & Young People's Plan and Caroline will continue to sit on this board as our rep.

National News and Information

Charity Commission Guidance on Trading. Some charities engage in trading as a way to raise funds or to further their objects. This guidance explains how a charity can trade itself, and when a trading subsidiary should be established. The guidance also contains some basic information on the application of income and corporation tax on trading profits. [Guidance: Trustees trading and tax: how charities may lawfully trade \(CC35\)](#).

NCVO Report - The Road Ahead. The annual report on the opportunities and threats for your charity, in four key areas; politics, the economy, social and technology trends. [Download The Summary](#) or read [Associated Blog Post](#) more here.

Changes in Small – Medium Charity Finance. Over 40,000 charities in England and Wales have an income between £25,000 and £1m, representing one-third of the voluntary sector. Today, NCVO published a report, commissioned by Lloyds Bank Foundation for England and Wales, that explored the finances of these small and medium-sized charities to improve our understanding of the challenges and opportunities that they face. [Read more here](#).

New anti-advocacy clause added to government grant agreements. Read NCVO's [letter to the Prime Minister](#), signed by over 130 charities, asking him to reconsider. And their analysis of why the clause is a bad idea:

- [Anti-advocacy clause is counter productive](#)

[Three types of grant funding that will be affected by the new anti-advocacy clause](#)

Video to Support Children with a Dad in Prison. Ormiston Families have produced a short film, aimed at children, about what life is like in HMP Bedford. Children and family members are all curious to know what goes on inside a prison and this short film from a prisoner Dad's perspective should help to curb this curiosity and anxiety. **It can be used as a supporting tool for children who have a Dad in any prison.** [Watch it here](#)

Why Charities Run Public Services – a response to recent criticism:

<http://blogs.ncvo.org.uk/2016/02/02/why-charities-run-public-services/>

Sign Up for NCVO Monthly Update. Get your own e-copy by contacting Andrew Walkey, NCVO: ncvouupdate@ncvo.org.uk .

Working with Children Who Have Been Sexually Abused. The NSPCC has published a report highlighting what children and young people are telling ChildLine about their expectations and experiences of receiving therapeutic services following sexual abuse. It also looks at contacts to the NSPCC helpline from adults concerned about child sexual abuse. [Getting help: what children tell us about accessing services after sexual abuse \(PDF\)](#)

NSPCC practitioners who deliver their Letting the Future In programme have created a guide for mental health and social care practitioners working with children who have been sexually abused. [Someone to lean on: advice for professionals giving therapeutic support to children who have been sexually abused \(PDF\)](#)

McMillan HR Toolkit for Supporting Employees Affected by Cancer. [Information on the McMillan website.](#)

Supporting children to rebuild their lives after abuse or neglect. Piloted by New Philanthropy Capital and NSPCC this new information-sharing platform SupportShare.org enables organisations to share ideas, evidence, and best practice. By exchanging information on what works, they hope this will help organisations learn from each other, improve services, and build a community.

Supporting Children Returning Home from Care The NSPCC has published a reunification practice framework, created in partnership with the University of Bristol. It brings into one place all of the research messages on supporting children returning home from care. It also provides practical guidance and tools for practitioners working with children and families. See: [Reunification: an evidence-informed framework for return home practice \(PDF\)](#)

Government Response to Youth Mental Health Support Recommendations. The government has released its response to the Youth Select Committee's report on young people's mental health in which it sets out actions relating to each of the report's recommendations. See http://www.byc.org.uk/media/279518/ysc_report_response_cleared.pdf

Local and Regional News and Information

The Online Directory of VCS Services in B&NES is now online with 350 listings. To have a look and add your details visit: <http://www.vol-centre.org.uk/localdirectory> There is also a local venue hire section – make sure you are included.

Bath City Forum – Agenda Items. It is still possible to suggest items for the agenda of the next Bath City Forum meeting which will be on the Tuesday, 26th April, 2016 5.15 pm. Contact Rosie Phillips RosiePhillips@dhibath.org.uk More information on the [Bath City Forum](#).

B&NES Interagency Bulletin. This bulletin is produced monthly and there are regular Interagency meetings held across the district to provide service providers an opportunity to share information, learn about other programmes and activities taking place and improve partnership working. Some of the meetings are organised by Bath & North East Somerset Council and others are organised by partner organisations. The meetings are very informal and are open to anyone working in the area. A monthly bulletin is produced that provides information about events, news, funding and much more. [View latest bulletin and info on meetings here.](#)

Princes Trust – offer group of trainees as volunteers. The first ever Princes Trust programme is currently taking place in Bath. The team are due to undertake a second community project w/c 4 April where they will be required to plan and carry out activities for a community organisation. If you would appreciate the support of the team (age range 16 – 25) during the first week in April, particularly if you work with the younger age range (playgroup/nursery) please contact Julie Poll: Julie.Poll@bitconnect.org

Next Princes Trust Programme for Young People in Bath 9 May – 29 July. Working with up to 14 young people over 12 weeks, starts with a residential trip then some community projects - from regenerating a garden to creating a short film to inspire people to make a change, they do everything from planning, fundraising to the finished job. In addition to this, there is help with CV and interview skills. "Gaining a nationally-recognised qualification along the way, you can put your new talents to the test in a two-week work experience placement". Find out more here: <https://www.princes-trust.org.uk/help-for-young-people/get-job/boost-your-confidence/team-237126>

Bath Magistrates Court to be retained as a result of Public Response. Bath & North East Somerset Council is pleased to learn that Bath Magistrates, County Court and Family Court have been saved from closure. The Lord Chancellor has agreed to retain the Courts after weighing up evidence received during a public consultation.

Avon and Somerset Police and Crime Commissioner Elections 2016: use your vote! The Police and Crime Commissioner, who is elected for a four-year term, is responsible for holding the Chief Constable and police force to account on behalf of the public. Elections for a new Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) for the Avon and Somerset Police Area are on Thursday 5 May. A new website has been launched to provide up to date information on the PCC election – visit www.avonpccselection2016.org.uk – with updates including key dates and how to vote. The list of candidates standing for election as PCC in the Avon and Somerset Police Area will be published on the website on Friday 8 April.

Data Handling Information Event - are you aware of your obligations for handling personal and sensitive data and how B&NES deal with this in their commissioning and procurement processes? B&NES are holding two information sessions on Wednesday 16 March. One is in the morning and the other in the afternoon. (Please only book for one of the sessions.). They are also taking this opportunity to update attendees on a couple of other procurement-related areas of interest. [More details here.](#)

Brake Testing Service. Did you know that in addition to its compulsory annual test MOT, it is recommended that your commercial or PCV vehicle's brakes are tested at least 3 times a year? Bath & North East Somerset Council offers a very competitive Rolling Road Brake Testing Service, for any vehicle over 3.5 tonnes, for just £10 an axle + VAT. The service is offered at the Council's DVSA MOT Testing Station at Locksbrook Road in Bath. The depot is convenient to get to and provides an impartial and reliable service. Other new services now being offered at the Locksbrook Road Fleet workshop are:

- quotes for repairs and servicing on cars and small vans
- a special offer on taxi testing
- motorbike (and sidecar) MOTs
- driver training

For more information, please visit: <http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/services/parking-and-travel/mot-testing/rolling-road>

Meetings, Conferences and Events

Trustees Network, Tuesday 29 March 2:30 in the Brunswick Room. Building Collaboration. [Read the flyer here.](#) All trustees of third sector organisations in the B&NES area are encouraged to join. To cover our administrative costs, there is a small administrative charge of £25 per organisation per year.

Volunteer Hub. The first meeting of the B&NES Volunteer Hub Steering Group (open to all interested organisations) **Thursday 17 March 10:00am in the Annex, Percy Community Centre**, Bath. The Hub aims to support good practice and working together/pooling resources in volunteering recruitment, training and support, consistent policies and procedures, flexible movement across services and access to more formalised progression to other volunteering opportunities and potential paid employment. The initial meeting, to discuss the way forward, attracted over 40 local organisations.

Thrive Conference - Monday 21st March, 9.15a.m.-5p.m. Bath Spa University, Newton St Loe Campus. Thrive is a training and support programme for cultural and voluntary sectors in Bath and North East Somerset area. The programme has been funded by Bath and North East Somerset Council and is managed and delivered by Mackerel Sky Events. **This year's Thrive Bath Conference will explore the theme of risk**, and will offer the opportunity to reflect on and learn from sessions with a range of experts in the cultural and voluntary sector. The conference will look at risk from a number of perspectives including:

- Financial management and fundraising,
- Personal and term resilience
- Protecting ideas

- Governance risks
- How the arts have a right to challenge
- Being ambitious in the marketing activity

[Find out more here.](#)

Café Conversations. A Free opportunity for members of the VCS to come together, network and share information and ideas over lunch organised by SW Foundation and Bath Volunteer Centre. To book your place, including free lunch email info@southwestfoundation.org.uk or Tel: 01761 471104. **Thursday 19 May 11:30am – 2:00pm** in The Bubble, St John's Hospital, 4-5 Chapel Court, Bath. BA1 1SQ.

Bath Area Play Project AGM to be held on **Thursday 24th March 2016 at 6.30pm at the Odd Down Community Centre, Odin's Road, Bath BA2 2TL.** The meeting will be a short business meeting including presentation of Annual Review and accounts for 2014/15 together with elections for Trustees. **If you would consider getting more involved** and taking part in Management Committee meetings and helping steer the direction and control BAPP's objectives, further information can be sent out; please email caroline@bapp.org.uk if you would like a **Potential trustee Pack.** Trustees currently meet on a Thursday evening every 6 weeks excepting August and December. There are opportunities to be involved in recruiting staff and sub-groups looking at specific service areas where you are interested. We hope that you will be able to pop along to the AGM; **We will also have a light buffet, so please let us know whether you are able to attend or not.**

Apprenticeship and Jobs Fair at Bath College 23 March. Visit:

<https://www.bathcollege.ac.uk/event/futures-apprenticeships-and-jobs-fair>

Business and Funding

B&NES Funding Bulletin – have you signed up? [View latest bulletin & info here.](#)

Quartet Community Foundation Funding open now:

- Healthy Lives Healthy People – open until 11 March up to £2000 supporting preventative health in the broadest terms.
- Supporting Communities – open until 11 March – up to £1,500 for work on Mental Health issues

Both these funds tend to be undersubscribed so apply now: <http://quartetcf.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

- Express Grants – always open
- Mall Fountain Fund – open until 24 March up to £1000 can support a very broad area of work – in B&NES we fall within the local area for this grant.
- Comic Relief Local Communities Grant – not available to existing recipients of Comic Relief funding – open to 22 March.

Visit: <http://quartetcf.org.uk/apply-for-a-grant/>

Santander Community Plus. Community Plus grants of up to £5,000 are available for local charities or local projects of national charities with funding available to cover salaries, equipment or materials. Grants must directly help disadvantaged people in your local area. We want to fund an entire element rather than make a contribution to a larger budget. Visit:

<http://www.santanderfoundation.org.uk/community-plus.aspx>

Greggs Community Foundation – Up to £2000 closes 11 March.

<http://www.greggsfoundation.org.uk/grants/local-community-projects-fund> If applying for this contact Julie as she has the local contact details you will need for your form. 07876476129 or julie.poll@bitconnect.org | [@JuliePConnects](https://twitter.com/JuliePConnects) |

The Monica Rabagliati Charitable Trust offers grants to charitable, voluntary and community organisations in the UK, which are focusing on the alleviation of child suffering and social deprivation. Previous grants have been for between £1,000 and £10,000.

The Trust prioritises small and medium sized organisations where possible.

During the year ending 5 April 2015 the Trust awarded a total of £59,000 in grants.

Awards included:

- o [AlcoHELP](#) (£2,000);
- o [Honeypot Children's Charity](#) (£3,000);
- o [London Wheelchair Rugby Club](#) (£2,500); and
- o [Ocean Youth Trust South](#) (£1,000).

Applications may be submitted at any time and are considered by Trustees twice a year.

Application forms are available to download from the [Trust's website](#).

Hilden Charitable Fund for Summer Play-schemes. Grants between £500 and £1,500 are available to help community groups in the UK to run summer play schemes for the benefit of disadvantaged children aged five to 18 years. The Trust is seeking to fund:

- Projects for children aged 5 to 18 years;
- Locally based schemes lasting from 2 to 6 weeks; and
- Schemes with strong volunteer support.

Applications are accepted from voluntary agencies with an income of less than £150,000.

Trustees will accept applications from across the UK. The Trust does not support:

- Play schemes with a budget of over £12,000;
- Club or family holidays;
- Day care costs; or
- Agencies with an income of over £150,000.

Some priority will be given to projects which show they are inclusive of children from refugee families, and show Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) involvement.

The deadline for applications is Friday 20 May 2016. For further details, visit the [Hilden Charitable Fund website](#).

Lloyds Bank Social Entrepreneurs Programme is a package of support for UK based social entrepreneurs. The programme includes three different elements; an inspirational and practical 14 day course, a business mentor from Lloyds Banking Group and a grant of £4,000.

Who is Start Up for?

Start Up is for individuals with either an idea for or an early stage organisation that has a focus on tackling a social issue or improving a community. You do not need to have any business experience or qualifications to apply. But you need to have thought about how your organisation can be sustainable in the long term and be willing to commit the time to make it happen. Applicants are required to be based in the UK and your idea should be aiming to create impact in the UK. **Each Start Up participant receives a fully funded place on a 14 day course, a £4,000 grant and a mentor from Lloyds Bank or Bank of Scotland.** The course is packed full of inspirational and practical sessions that lift the lid on the key challenges that you will face starting and leading a social enterprise or community project.

More information about the [Start Up Programme](#)

If your organisation is already up and running and has a turnover greater than £25,000 our [Scale Up](#) Programme will be more suitable.

Book for a FREE Taster session in Bristol on 1 March 2016 – [Book here](#).

Auction your Time or Expertise for Charity. [Kindberries](#) is a social fundraising platform that gives people the opportunity to raise money for a charity of their choice by auctioning some of their time or expertise.

Anybody can bid to win one of these experiences, which range from a simple coffee morning or walk in the park, to meeting with celebrities, prominent business figures, famous bloggers and other inspiring people. Members have a chance to gain new friends, business partners, and memorable experiences, and of course every winning bid supports an incredible cause. Kindberries' philosophy is to bring together people who care about the world and are happy to share their passion and time. The website is really accessible and easy to use.

[Visit the Kindberries website](#)

The Thompson Family Charitable Trust provides grants to registered charities in the following fields: Health and social welfare; The Arts; Sports; Education; Animal welfare; and Medical research. UK registered charities are eligible to apply for a grant. Schools with charitable status are also invited to apply. The Trust provides a range of grants from **£250** up to a very exceptional amount of **£500,000**. Most grants, however, tend to be between **£1,000** and **£50,000** with a few grants of **£100,000** and **£200,000**.

Grants made during the financial year ending 31 January 2015 showed an increase of £600,000 on the previous year. Examples of previously funded organisations include:

- [The Break Charity](#) (£50,000);
- [The Cheer Trust](#) (£10,000);
- [The Art Room](#) (£50,000)
- [Carers in Hertfordshire](#) (£50,000);
- [World Horse Welfare](#) (£5,000); and
- [Walking with the Wounded](#) (£50,000)

The Trust does not maintain a website or a formal application form. Further information about the Trust is, however, available on the [Charity Commission website](#). The annual accounts provide a full list of charities funded.

Crowdfunding – if you haven't tried this, here are some tips and success stories to get you going: <http://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/your-story/your-story>

The **Westhill Endowment Charity** promotes both dialogue and educational exchange between Christianity and those of other living faiths. Not-for-profit organisations, churches and cathedrals, hospitals and hospices, as well as higher and further educational institutions both in the UK and overseas are eligible to apply for a grant of between **£1,000** and **£20,000**.

Funding is not available for: General appeals; Capital projects; Direct employment of staff; or Individuals. Applications may be made at any time in writing, no more than two pages in length and should be supported by a budget. Additional supporting documents, for example the organisation's up to date accounts and key participants CVs, may also be included.

Grants awards are normally paid in instalments. Applications should therefore show an achievable step by step planned outcome towards a final goal and show what funds are required to secure each stage.

Applicants who are not sure about making an application can send a half page synopsis setting out the project ideas and advice will be given on possible eligibility.

Match funding is sometimes (but not always) required. For further information, visit the [Westhill Endowment website](#).

Training

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>.

Launch of a new e-learning module for the Common Assessment Framework (CAF). The module takes around half an hour to complete and can be used as part of induction for all new starters across the children's workforce. The free module doesn't replace the multi-agency common assessment training but gives a basic understanding of the CAF process for new starters

or those who would like a refresher. It may be helpful to complete this before the multi-agency training. Please visit <http://bathnes.learningpool.com>.

CAF Training dates for 2016-2017. Following feedback and quality assurance activity, a revised training programme is being offered from April 2016 alongside the launch of the e-learning module.

- **Common Assessment** training, 13th May, 9.00am-1.00pm The Hollies, Midsomer Norton
- **Lead Professional and Team around the child training** (*now a full day in response to delegate feedback!*) 22nd April, 9.30am-4.00pm, Civic Centre, Keynsham
- **Common Assessment Framework: A Manager's Briefing**, 22nd June, 9.00am-1.00pm. Civic Centre, Keynsham

Read the [full Interagency Team newsletter here](#).

Other Training:

- **Working with Parents and CSE**, Fri 4th March, 09.30 – 16.30, Keynsham
- **Neglect** - Friday 11th March, 09.30 – 16.30, Midsomer
- **CSE – Advanced**, Fri 18th March, 09.30 – 16.30, Midsomer Norton
- **Domestic Abuse** - Tuesday 29th March, 09.30 – 16.30, Midsomer Norton.
- **Basic Attitudes and Values in Sexual Health**. Wednesday 30th March 2016
- **Hearing the Voice of the Child Workshop** Weds 13th April, 10.00 – 12.00, Keynsham
- **CSE Awareness Raising**, Mon 23rd May, 09.30 – 12.30, Midsomer Norton
- **Early Help/Common Assessment Framework (CAF): A Manager's briefing**, Weds 22nd June, 09.00 – 13.00, Keynsham.
- **Working with CSE: Skills for Practice**, Tues 12th July, 09.30 – 16.30, 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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