

Children and Young People's Network



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

May Update 2016 e-bulletin

Welcome to the May 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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Next Network Meeting Tuesday 7 June 10:00 – 12:30 at Odd Down Community Centre, BA2

2TL. Topics:

- The final draft of the 14-25 Strategy
- An introduction to [Kooth](#) – online counselling for 11 – 18 year olds in B&NES (Commissioned service)
- Local Giving will be outlining the support programme they will be offering to groups in B&NES. **This opportunity is primarily targeted at smaller groups who have not yet got to grips with online fundraising.** Please see more about this type of support: <https://localgiving.org/what-we-do/programmes/regional-development> . If there is sufficient interest there will be an opportunity for short 1 to 1 sessions to discuss the needs of individual organisations.

Contact sue@bapp.org.uk for bookings.

Reps Report: Children's Workforce Training Strategy Group 25 April. Please find [report on this link](#)

Representative Opportunity – Healthy Weight Strategy Group. We are looking for someone to represent the Network on this new strategy group. Dates for this year are:

4th May

3rd August

2nd November

All meetings are in the **Boardroom, Kempthorne House, St Martin's from 2 - 4.30pm.** Please see this document on the [Role of the CYPN Rep.](#) If you are interested please contact sue@bapp.org.uk. If you would just like an informal chat of what this role entails call Sue on 01225 832479.

Representative Opportunity – SEND Strategy Group. This newly reformed strategy group will meet for the first time on 24th May 9.30-12noon at Threeways School. Please see this document on the [Role of the CYPN Rep.](#) If you are interested please contact sue@bapp.org.uk. If you would just like an informal chat of what this role entails call Sue on 01225 832479.

National News and Information

Why the Charity Commission is Going digital and What this Will Mean. Paula Sussex, Chief Executive at the Charity Commission, writes:

“The commission is already putting more of our services online in a way that is better focussed on the customer, like our new registration service. Eventually each charity will have its own self-service portal where it can update its own information. We also hope to communicate better online using different tools such as live-streaming, video and webinars.” **This [blog](#)** looks at 4 ways the new digital plans will affect charities, their regulation, and the public. You can sign up for updates as new blogs are published via [GOV.UK](#).

Open Access Learning - MindEd. MindEd offers free, completely open access, online education in over 300 topics. Our e-learning is applicable to a wide range of learners across the health, social care, education, criminal justice and community settings. The aim is to provide simple, clear guidance on children and young people's mental health, wellbeing and development to any adult working with children, young people and families, to help them support the development of young healthy minds. Visit: <https://www.minded.org.uk/>

NCVYS, the National Council for Voluntary Youth Services, formally closed on 1st April 2016. The membership service, sector representation and related functions of NCVYS have merged with Ambition from where they will continue to be supported. UK Youth will co-ordinate a partnership of organisations to host the annual youth sector conference. Creative Collisions, host their portfolio of

safeguarding resources and services, and will be taking forward the management of the Muslim Council of Britain partnership. [Read the full announcement here](#)

1 in 5 nurseries reject 30-hour expansion. The findings of a survey of 1,500 early years providers, by the Pre-school Learning Alliance, reinforce concerns that lack of capacity and low funding levels will mean many providers will be unable or unwilling to deliver the 30 hours of free childcare when it begins from September next year. [Read more here.](#)

A Quick Guide To Attachment Theory: Attachment theory was developed by John Bowlby, a British psychologist, partly as a result of the experience of hundreds of thousands of children during the second world war who were separated from their parents and evacuated to safer areas of the UK. His work on the importance of parent-infant bonds revolutionised childcare around the world. Attachment theory has moved on considerably since its early days: it is rare nowadays to focus solely on mothers and babies. Although the ideas underpinning it connect with all aspects of social care, this article is intended primarily for social workers and others working with children and families. [Read more.](#)

- See also: NICE guideline – [Children’s attachment: attachment in children and young people who are adopted from care, in care or at high risk of going into care](#) – to help practitioners assess children and young people with attachment difficulties, and know what interventions to use in different settings.

The Impact of Hunger on Education & Equality .A survey by the Association of Teachers and Lecturers (ATL) has highlighted the impact of hunger on children. Key findings include: 39% of respondents knew pupils who come to school hungry, have no money for lunch, but do not receive free school meals. 26% were concerned that pupils suffer hunger over the summer holidays and 49% also felt that the long summer break impacts negatively on pupils’ mental health. [Read more.](#)

Child Protection in Sport information Resources. Well laid out and easy to use website. Resources cover a range of topics with information, advice, webinars, policy templates, ideas, etc. Visit <https://thecpsu.org.uk/help-advice/topics/>

Local and Regional News and Information

B&NES Secondary Schools Emotional Health & Wellbeing Info.

- [EHWB Hub contacts](#)
- [Talking Space Timetable](#)

Carers Strategy: Call for Evidence Views are being sought on a new strategy for carers that will set out how more can be done to support them. The Open Consultation runs until 30th June 2016. [Click here](#) to view the consultation paper and how to respond.

- **Locally** here is a link to the final draft of our **refreshed Young Carers Strategy 2016-20**. http://www.bathnes.gov.uk/sites/default/files/young_carers_strategy_2016-20.pdf. Please send any amendments or comments to dee_chaddha@bathnes.gov.uk by June 10th 2016 in order that she can reflect these in the completed version.

Mental Health Awareness Week, 16 - 22 May . The theme is connections and relationships. PR and activities in B&NES are being Co-ordinated by a planning committee led by The Care Forum. If you have an event or activity that you want to promote during the week, provide all the event details by 4th May, using this link: <http://bit.ly/1NnzPix> .

Re-engagement and Pre-employment Programmes for young people who are NEET (May 2016) [See document here.](#)

National Volunteers Week Events 1 – 12 June The Volunteer Centre team are currently collating all the celebration events that are taking place throughout Bath and North East Somerset, so if your organisation are planning to put on a celebration event to thank your volunteers, could you let us know and we will add them to a role of honour which will be shared with The Bath Chronicle and via social media between 1st and 12th June 2016.

Contact: Mike Plows, Volunteer Centre, email: mike.plows@vol-centre.org.uk, tel: 01225 338105.

Off The Record – additional Vacancies have arisen. Positions available now include:

- Director
- Operations Manager
- Participation Project Worker
- Fundraisers
- Project Research Worker

Visit: <http://www.offtherecord-banes.co.uk/jobs-volunteering/current-job-vacancies/>

Do you receive the B&NES Inter-agency Bulletin. Subscribe by emailing: strategy_performance@bathnes.gov.uk

Meetings, Conferences and Events

Cafe Conversations - Thursday 19th May 2016 11.30am - 2.00pm, The Bubble St John's Hospital 4--5 Chapel Court, Bath BA1 1SQ. A free opportunity for members of the Voluntary and Community Sector in Bath and North East Somerset to come together, network, share information and ideas over lunch. **To book your place including the free lunch** please email: info@southwestfoundation.org.uk or tel: 01761 471104.

Stakeholder Event: B&NES Health & Social Care Services Commission – Your Care Your Way.

Two organisations will now progress to the next stage; Invitation to Negotiate:

1. [Virgin Care](#)
2. [Sirona care & health](#), in partnership with:
 - [Avon and Wiltshire Mental Health Partnership NHS Trust](#)
 - [Bath and North East Somerset Enhanced Medical Services](#)
 - [Dorothy House Hospice Care](#)
 - [Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust](#)

A Stakeholder engagement event is scheduled for Wednesday 4th May and will provide an opportunity for stakeholders to learn more about the next phase as well as an opportunity to network with other organisations, including the potential Prime Providers. [Follow link to the agenda for this event.](#) To register your interest please go to <http://ycyw4may16.eventbrite.co.uk>

Volunteer Centre B&NES Trustee Network will now be held on Wednesday 1 June, 2pm for a 2.30pm start at Keynsham Civic Centre, Market Walk, Keynsham, Bristol BS31 1FS.

Regional Briefing - The Child's Voice - will consider the findings from recent **SCRs that the child's voice is not being heard** and that children often seem invisible. Participants will then hear directly from a trainer who is a care-leaver about her own **lived experience of being a child involved with social services**. Finally participants will be offered the opportunity to learn and **practice new techniques for effectively engaging and communicating with children and young people**. The briefing is designed to link to the [knowledge and skills statements](#) and will

ensure that participants leave with the skills needed to keep the child's voice central to their practice.

- **Bristol 27th June** - Cost £55 per person with a reduced rate available for group bookings

Participants can choose from one of the following three hour sessions:

9.30am - 12.30pm / 1.30pm - 4.30pm / 5.00pm - 8.00pm. Bookings: 01895

549910 or admin@reconstruct.co.uk

Business and Funding

FUNDING: for improving green community spaces. The Tesco Bags of Help Programme is open to applications from voluntary sector organisations for grants of £8,000, £10,000 and £12,000 for capital improvements to local community green spaces that have free and open access to all members of the community for a minimum of six days a week, during daylight hours. Projects will be funded to, for example, build pocket parks, sports facilities, woodland walks and community gardens. Applications will be shortlisted and projects will be put forward for customers to vote for in Tesco stores. The application deadline is 3rd June. [Find out more and apply here](#)

Training

Oxford Brookes University is offering two new distance learning post-graduate courses from September 2016; an MSc/ PGDip/ PGCert in Child Welfare and Wellbeing and a PGCert in Child Protection Practice. Further information:

- [MSc/ PGDip/ PGCert - Child Welfare and Wellbeing](#)
- [PGCert - Child Protection Practice](#)

Hidden Sentence training at HMP Bristol This workshop is targeted at professionals working with children, families and/or offenders and aims to:

- Improve understanding about the impact of imprisonment on prisoners' families.
- Improve understanding of a family's journey on a prison visit.
- Understand the support needs of prisoners' families.
- Improve your own practice in order to support a prisoners' family

Dates available: 25th May, 21st June, 6th July, 16th August, 14th September, 10am – 4pm.

Places can be booked via the link at the bottom of [the flyer](#).

Bid Writing Workshops in Bristol (£100 per delegate)

Introduction to Bid Writing	13 June	Booking Details
Advanced Bid Writing	13 June	Booking Details
Reporting Back to Funders	14 June	Booking Details
Introduction to Bid Writing	8 August	Booking Details
Advanced Bid Writing	8 August	Booking Details
Reporting Back to Funders	9 August	Booking Details
Introduction to Bid Writing	10 October	Booking Details

Advanced Bid Writing	10 October	Booking Details
Reporting Back to Funders	11 October	Booking Details
Introduction to Bid Writing	12 December	Booking Details
Advanced Bid Writing	12 December	Booking Details
Reporting Back to Funders	13 December	Booking Details

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>.

- **Mental Health First Response**, Mon 9th & Tues 10th May, 09.30 – 16.30. Keynsham. This **2 day course** teaches people how to identify, understand and help a person who may be developing a mental health problem, this training will be facilitated by CAMHS
- **Parental Substance Misuse & Child Protection**, Wednesday 11th May, 09.30-16.30. The Hollies, Midsomer Norton
- **Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST)**, Thurs 26th May & Fri 27th May, 09.30 – 16.30. Keynsham. A **two day**, skills building workshop that prepares caregivers to provide suicide first aid interventions. This course is led by PAPYRUS – the national charity dedicated to the prevention of young suicide. **Also available on 20 – 21 June. 9:00 – 5:00.**
- **Specialist- Child Sexual Abuse**, Monday 6th June, 09.30-16.30. The Hollies Midsomer Norton
- **Domestic Abuse & Child Protection**, Wednesday 8th June, 09.30-16.30. The Hollies, Midsomer Norton
- **Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Awareness**, Weds 8th June, 09.00 (08.30 registration) – 13.00, Community Space, One Stop Shop (Library) Keynsham
- **Early Help/Common Assessment Framework (CAF): A Manager's briefing**, Weds 22nd June, 09.00 – 13.00, Keynsham.

Child Sexual Exploitation Training:

- **Child Sexual Exploitation - Awareness Raising**, Keynsham. Mon 23rd May, 09.30 – 12.30
- **Child Sexual Exploitation – Advanced Training**, Keynsham, Mon 13th June, 09.30 – 16.30
- **Working with CSE: Skills for Practice**, Midsomer Norton, Tues 12th July, 09.30 – 16.30

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