

Children and Young People's Network



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

December 2016 e-bulletin

Welcome to the December 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

Participation Standards for Commissioning. It is anticipated these standards will be in new contracts as from April 2017. These are 6 standards that would be used a part of a yearly monitoring of Children and Young People's Participation within commissioned services, but could also be used as aspirational standards for non-commissioned services. Find the [Draft Standards Document here](#). **Please comment on the draft expectations with a deadline for responses by January 31st 2017.** Comments to Sarah McCluskey, Strategic Commissioning Officer, Tel: 01225 394464. Email: Sarah.McCluskey@bathnes.gov.uk

Notes of the VCS Reference Group to Public Services Board 3 December. This group will now be referred to as 3SG. [Please see the meeting notes here.](#)

National News and Information

Prisoners' children and families' experiences

i-Hop is developing a 'Message for Professionals' blog space. They're looking for contributions from offenders' children and families who want to share thoughts and experiences with the professionals supporting others in similar situations. They are also keen to hear from parents looking to reflect on the impact of their offending on their children. The blogs will be published on the i-Hop website, and promoted to their membership and via Twitter, so as many professionals as possible hear what children and families have to say. [Read more here](#)

Lots of Free Resources on Local Charities Day 16 December The [first ever Local Charities Day](#), shining a spotlight on all of this fantastic work and celebrating the dedication and commitment of those involved. **Office for Civil Society want to highlight the small community groups and charities** that are making a real difference to people's lives and celebrate the unsung heroes working to improve their local neighbourhoods

- **Free Workshops in Bristol.** As part of Local Charities Day, with funding from [Office for Civil Society within Department for Culture Media and Sport](#), we will be delivering 560

training places in eight different cities across the UK! **In these cities, we will be running 3 x 1 hour workshops all on the same day, covering a range of fundraising topics.**

Bristol day is 7th December see: <http://www.thefsi.org/training/local-charities-day/lctp-training/bristol/>

- **Free Webinars:** On Local Charities Day itself, there will be **20 free webinars** throughout the day on a variety of topics. [Click here to book on to a webinar.](#)

Read more here: <http://dcmsblog.uk/2016/11/marketing-month-localcharitiesday/>

Major overhaul of the anti-lobbying clause .The government has published this amendment to the anti-lobbying clause, the implementation of which was paused in April.The effect of this is to significantly avoid the damage that the clause would have done to charities' advocacy role. Read more here: [A resolution to the anti-lobbying clause.](#)

School census data. Nursery schools will no longer be forced to collect details on the nationality and birth place of children as young as two following a Government U-turn over the controversial school census. The data collection, which is due to take place in January, will now no longer ask for country of birth or nationality data. Data collection for older children took place at the beginning of the academic year, **but parents and carers can still request the removal of their child's data.** For more information and template letters for such requests, see the Against Borders for Children website, at: <https://www.schoolsabc.net/>

Entries are now open to the Charity Governance Awards 2017 organised by The Clothworkers' Company. The Awards recognise and reward good charity governance. The seven categories focus on impact, board diversity, turnarounds, harnessing risk and digital. Each category offers a £5000 cash prize. You can enter online for free until 13th January 2017. The winners will be announced at the invite-only free awards ceremony and drinks reception on 24th May 2017. [Find out more and apply here](#)

Charities Against Fraud. This site lists resources and organisations that can help you protect your charity against fraud. <http://charitiesagainstfraud.org.uk/>

Local and Regional News and Information

Re-engagement and Pre-employment Programmes for NEET Young People December 2016. [View document here.](#)

The Bubble Christmas Mini Market

Are you a charity?

Do you have items to sell?

Do you have a raffle or competition?

If the answer is yes, then reserve a sales table at the Christmas Mini Market today!

Each table costs £10 and sellers will be required to be onsite from 9.00am until the close of the market at 3.00pm

Where: The Bubble and Chapel at St John's Bath

When: 10th December

To book your table please contact Rob Dyer on 01225 485826 or email

rob.dyer@stjohnsbath.org.uk

New Community Website for Bath. Bath.interests.me is a new community website launching in Bath and North East Somerset, which you are warmly invited to take advantage of, completely for free, to publicise your organisation and its activities. For more information email: helen@interests.me.

Developing and hosting charities websites - The City of Bath College Bath College are offering to plan, build and host websites for registered charities in B&NES. This is part of a student enterprise where the learners' projects are used to assess their course criteria. To cover there will

be a charge of £60 only for the first year (including hosting), and £20 a year for the on-going hosting thereafter. If you are interested visit their [website](#) or contact: Steve Harries, Course Leader & Personal Tutor Level 3 BTEC, email: steven.harries@bathcollege.ac.uk.

Time2Share YOUTH SUPPORT WORKER BANK STAFF 3.5 - 4.25 HOURS PER SESSION

SALARY SCALE: £8.69 /hr View details here:

https://pbs.twimg.com/media/CybnR14WIAAH_L_.jpg:large

New fundraising role vacancy at Mentoring Plus. Grants & Trusts Manager – 18 month fixed term contract, 20 hrs per week. **Closing Date Friday 9th December 2016.** [View details here.](#)

River Safety Film. Please share this [online river safety film](#) which Bath Spa University and the University of Bath have shared with their freshers, and Bath College have shared with their students; and has had almost 2,000 views on YouTube.

Domestic Abuse Awareness. Since 25 November we are in a period of awareness raising for domestic abuse issues. [This is not an Excuse website](#) details information, resources, organisations that can help victims, etc. Please promote in your groups.

5 Do's and Don'ts for empowering Others. Nick Laffan of Free River Consulting has shared this free resource [View here.](#)

Eating Disorders – Tips for Christmas. Somerset & Wessex Eating Disorders Association (SWEDA) have produced a series of 12 Youtube clips offering advice over the Christmas Season. [See the first one here.](#) Subsequent ones show up to the right of the screen. So far we are on day 5. Find out more information and view resources here: <http://www.swedauk.org/>.

B&NES Early Help App. Following feedback from Network members the App will now be available on android smart devices as well as I-phones. B&NES are also developing an Early Help “tile” to go on the council page which will have further details about what early help is and the strategy information and thresholds information which is on the App. Information about the organisations offering services is available for everybody still on 1 Big Database which is now easier to navigate as it only hosts BANES information.

Meetings, Conferences and Events

Next Chief Officer's Meeting Tuesday 6 December. The meeting will continue with preparing our case for support and the needs of the voluntary and community sector prior to a meeting (date tbc) with Cllr Tim Warren (leader of the council). The Chief Officer's Network is for whoever has responsibility for strategic decisions in your organisation. If your groups who offers services in B&NES please feel free to come along. Contact: Caroline Haworth: caroline@bathareaplayproject.co.uk

Supporting professionals working with the families and children of offenders. Clinks, in partnership with i-HOP, is holding a conference **[7th December, Taunton, from £25]** to support professionals working with the families and children of offenders in the South West. It will provide delegates with both a national and local picture of the changing criminal justice environment in regards to children and families as well as showcasing good practice. The event will be a fantastic opportunity to network with other local organisations, get up to date with the latest policy developments, and hear inspiring examples of best practice. If ticket or travel costs are prohibitive, please contact us at events@clinks.org. [Find out more and book here](#)

Bath 16 – 25 Provider Forum Meeting, Monday 12 December, 12.30pm – 2pm at Learn Direct Offices, Queen's Sq. Bath. [Please see agenda here.](#) If you would like to attend, please contact Gail McKay at Inner Flame via: Elizabeth Postgate: elizabeth@innerflame.org.uk

EMPLOYMENT, EDUCATION & TRAINING FAIR. This event is for Young people aged 16-19 years (up to 25 years with SEND), Parents and Carers, Schools, Providers and Professionals working with young people. **On Monday 23rd January, 12pm - 7pm @ The Guildhall to "Meet the Providers"** Please contact Sue Davis: Sue_Davis@BATHNES.GOV.UK by Wednesday 23rd December at the latest if you would like a table and/or space for a small display board

Interagency meetings - Dates for 2017

Tuesday 14th March, 12pm - 2pm

Chew Magna Baptist Church, Tunbridge Road, Chew Magna

Wednesday 19th April, 12pm - 2pm

Council Chamber, The Hollies, Midsomer Norton

Wednesday 17th May, 12pm - 2pm

Community at 67, Queens Road, Keynsham

Wednesday 19th July, 12pm - 2pm

Council Chamber, The Hollies, Midsomer Norton

Tuesday 17th October, 12pm - 2pm

Chew Magna Baptist Church, Tunbridge Road, Chew Magna

Wednesday 15th November, 12pm - 2pm

Community at 67, Queens Road, Keynsham

Business and Funding

B&NES Funding Bulletin – view the latest edition here: [Funding Bulletin](#)

Small, local charity? Sign up for fundraising training for #LocalCharitiesDay on 16

December. The programme is targeted at charities and community groups with an annual income of up to £1 million and have a local focus. [full details on gov.uk.](#)

New Esmée Fairbairn funding announced with focus on young care leavers. The funding aims to 'ensure that care leavers are decision makers in the choices that affect their lives', and could be for core or project costs, including staff salaries and overheads. There are no limits on grant size or length and while most support is likely to be in the form of grants, the Foundation will also consider making social investments. It is looking to fund work that develops long lasting, supportive relationships for young people in and leaving care. **Applications are [via its website](#), and there is no deadline.** [Read more here.](#)

Fundraising Regulator announces flexibility until March 2017

[The Fundraising Regulator has issued guidance](#) on the new fundraising sections of the Charities Act, announcing that it will be flexible in its approach until March 2017 to give charities time to adapt to the changes.

Galaxy Hot Chocolate Fund are looking to help small, local community projects and groups. From November 7th 2016 until February 26th 2017, they are seeking to award a total of seventy, £300 donations to help community groups and people across UK and Ireland. Five donations will be awarded each week, four by a panel of judges and one through the People's Choice award to the organisation with the most weekly votes. <https://www.galaxyhotchocolate.com/>

Sport England announces new funding programmes in December 2016

Sport England's new funding programmes come six months after the launch of its 2016 strategy 'Towards an Active Nation' which outlines what it will do to increase the number of people getting active and achieve its vision of everyone in England, regardless of age, background or ability, feeling able to take part in sport or activity. <https://www.sportengland.org/newfunding/>

Small, locally based voluntary and community groups can apply for grants to support projects which benefit the local communities around Co-op food stores and funeral homes. The Co-op is

looking for three projects in around 1,500 local communities across the UK. Preference is given to organisations with an income of less than £1million a year. No minimum or maximum amount of funding is specified but in the past applicants have received grants of up to £2,500. The deadline for applications is [16th December. Find out more here](#)

The Baring Foundation's Strengthening the Voluntary Sector programme aims to support charities to use the law and human rights based approaches effectively in their work. Funding is available through two streams: Grants of up to £30,000 are available for Training, Education and Capacity Building, and grants of up to £150,000 are available for Applied Projects tackling discrimination and disadvantage directly and safeguarding the freedom of purpose, action and voice of the sector. **The deadline for applications is 23rd January 2017.** [Find out more and apply here](#)

Bruce Wake Charitable Trust. The Trust was established to encourage and assist the provision of leisure for the disabled. They will consider grant applications related to the provision of leisure. Activities for the disabled but favour particularly applications whereby the potential beneficiaries meet one or all of the following criteria:

- The potential beneficiaries are physically disabled wheelchair users.
- Improved access for wheelchair users is proposed
- A sporting or leisure facility involving disabled wheelchair users is proposed.

The applications may be submitted at any time. Applications should be made online via the Trust's website together with a copy of their latest accounts. www.brucewaketrust.co.uk

Police Commissioner's Community Action Fund Opens Tuesday 3rd January 2017. This fund was closed in September 2016 while we transitioned from our old Police and Crime plan to the new one as the priorities areas have changed. You can find out more about the new Police and Crime Plan here: <http://www.avonandsomerset-pcc.gov.uk/Your-PCC/Police-Crime-Plan-2016.aspx>. **The first deadline for applications is Wednesday 1st March 2017**, for a late April decision. The usual quarterly cycle will then be resumed. Grants of up to £3k will be awarded for projects and services that align to the new Police and Crime Plan priorities Further information can be found here: <http://www.avonandsomerset-pcc.gov.uk/Partnerships/Commissioners-Community-Action-Fund.aspx>

Training

Paediatric First Aid Training. As you may be aware, Ofsted have recently highlighted issues around staff working with children and young people not having current Paediatric first aid training, ensuring compliancy with safeguarding obligations.

Bath Area Play Project will be running a 12hr Paediatric first aid course here at Odd Down Community Centre in the new year ([details here](#)) There are limited spaces however we are in a position to offer flexible courses which can be tailor made to meet the needs of your staff team and delivered on your own sites, at times & dates to suit.

Our Paediatric First Aid course is accredited and Ofsted recognised, delivered by our qualified and experienced trainer, in a friendly, relaxed format with a **cost of £85.00 per candidate** or reduced costs for larger groups and first time promotional offers.

For further information contact Sara Sealy Sarah Sealy Tel: 01225 832479/07814780850 Email: sara@bathareaplayproject.co.uk

B&NES Learning Bulletin. Includes info on Early Years Training, Sirona Training, Volunteer Training, etc. available to local groups. [See December edition here](#). Sign up for the monthly bulletin by contacting Sarah Dixon: sara_dixon@bathnes.gov.uk

Children's Workforce Training

- **Young People's Participation in Practice**, 8th December, 12:00 – 13.30, Civic Centre – Keynsham.
- **Condom Card (C-Card) Training**, Thurs 15th Dec, 09.30 – 12.00, Civic Centre, Keynsham

- **Strategies to Support the Sexual Health Needs of Young People with Learning Difficulties.** Thurs 15th Dec 10.00 – 15.30. Community Space – One Stop Shop, Keynsham
- **Drink Think (Alcohol Brief Intervention Tool).** Tues 31st Jan 09.30 – 15.30. West 1.1 Civic Centre, Keynsham.

The following workshops will be delivered by Barnardo's at Community Space, One Stop Shop, Keynsham

- Supporting Children & Families Affected by Offending: Understanding the needs of children and families of offenders. **20th February 2017 from 10.00 – 12.00**
- **The practice of supporting children and families of offenders.** This is a follow on session and is open to all staff in the children's workforce who have previously attended the
- 'Hidden Sentence' or the 'Understanding the Needs of Children and families of offenders' workshop. **20th February 2017 from 13.00 – 17.00**

Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) at Community Space, One Stop Shop (Library) Keynsham 09.00 – 17.00

- 23rd & 24th February 2017
- 17th & 18th May 2017
- 27th & 28th September 2017

A regional partnership working across seven local authority areas has come together to produce a programme of Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training (ASIST) courses in 2017. ASIST is a two day course that aims to help people to recognise the signs that someone is considering Suicide and to gain the skills and confidence to respond appropriately and intervene to prevent immediate risk of suicide. ASIST has been described as a form of 'suicide first aid'. ASIST courses are delivered by accredited trainers who have successfully passed the LivingWorks Trainers course.

Slavery and Trafficking. Monday 16th January 2017 - Community Space, Keynsham 09.30 – 12.30. The course aims to provide frontline professionals with an initial interaction with the issue of slavery. Throughout the training attendees will develop greater knowledge of human trafficking and slavery and explore the issues facing individuals who have been trafficked, how to correctly identify and spot the signs of potential exploitation and learn about what is available to support those who have been trafficked

All Course Bookings for Children's Workforce Training should be made through the new online booking system [.http://bathnes.learningpool.com/](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