



Children & Young People's Network E-bulletin



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In the face of coronavirus, charities are [#NeverMoreNeeded](#) - for the essential support they provide in crisis and beyond, and how they shape our society for the better. As we navigate the worst impacts of the coronavirus outbreak, families across B&NES are relying on charities more than ever, for the essential support they provide and how they shape our society for the better. Charities and other not-for-profit organisations make our communities stronger.

In the toughest times, we provide support no-one else can. Our unique role and services are invaluable right now and will continue to be essential as the country begins to heal and re-build as we recover from the initial coronavirus outbreak. At the same time we are all facing our own challenges with finding new funding streams, adapting to new regulations and making sure we work in a COVID secure way. Below are various funding, free training opportunities and local news updates...I hope you find these useful.

If you have any news or stories you would like to share please let me know. As always please do get in touch if I can help in any way. Thank you for everything you are all doing in our community. Continue to keep safe and take care,

Gilly Samuddin,
Children & Young People's Network Coordinator.

What's in this month's Newsletter:

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| Welcome and Contact us page | Up coming meetings/ events |
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Please keep us up to date... Let us know if your contact details change:

Contact the CYPN at:
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Local/National News:

[Barely a quarter of charities' coronavirus fund for England allocated](#): More than 10,000 charities have applied for grants from the coronavirus community support fund (CCSF) for England. Voluntary sector leaders have grown increasingly alarmed at the delay in allocating the cash.

[Number giving at lowest level in over a decade](#) nfpSynergy has been monitoring giving levels every quarter for over a decade. This latest quarter saw some dramatic changes as a result of the pandemic. Notably, the number giving is down to its lowest level in a decade – only 60% of the public have given to charity in the last 3 months, down from 69% January 20. Charity shops and on-street collections have posted the biggest drops in giving. Conversely, giving on a charity website and via text message are at their highest levels.

[Food insecurity exposed by COVID-19](#): Use of UK food banks almost doubled during lockdown, with a significant spike in demand from people with children. Recognising that the situation is likely to worsen, a cross-party group of MPs call on Government to urgently appoint a 'Minister for Food Security'. Fareshare in South West have [continued to support lots of CYPN members](#) and other organisations in B&NES during the summer and have delivered more than 40 tonnes of food across the South West in the last 5 weeks!

[Temporary coronavirus mobile testing unit in Paulton extended](#): The temporary COVID-19 mobile testing unit at Paulton Rovers Football Club will be available until August 27 to give people in B&NES better access to local testing.

SWALLOW Cafe Reopens

On Wednesday 22nd July, Swallow Community Café re-opened for eat in table service alongside their popular takeaway service. To follow Government safety guidelines, there will be a limited number of tables inside the café and all tables need to be pre booked.

Children's Social Care Updates:

[Key guidance and policy spreadsheet update](#): The ADCS Covid-19 spreadsheet continues to be updated with new announcements and pieces of guidance from government departments and agencies related to children's services. New additions include updates to guidance for early years providers and more detail on recovery of learning plans from the DfE plus updates to workplace guidance from the Department of Business and the Department of Health and Social Care's test and trace service in the workplace guidance.

[Ministerial letter to children and young people with SEND](#) and parents/carers regarding returning to school in September: Ministers Vicky Ford and Helen Whately have written a joint letter to children and young people with special educational needs and parents/carers who support them regarding the return to school in September outlining the preparations made and addressing key concerns raised.

Useful online local information: There is a dedicated coronavirus page on both [1 Big Database](#) bathnes: and [Wellbeing Options](#). The facebook pages: [Family Information online](#) and [Wellbeing Options](#) pages complement these resources.

Business & Fundraising:

The Nani Huyu Charitable Trust: Supports local charities working with chn and young people. Small grants available. For further details or to apply for support email: maureensimonwhitmore@btinternet.com

[Hope Beyond Grants](#) – The Allchurches Trust: Grants up to £50,000 for churches, cathedrals and Christian charities in the UK to adapt to the challenges and opportunities created by the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Applications may be made at any time and will be assessed on an ongoing basis. Register [here](#)

[The Sport for Good Response Fund](#): Grants up to £9,100 to not-for-profit organisations in any country to continue to work with young people during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic through Sport Development programmes. Further information about the programme, together with guidelines and an application form is available on the Laureus Sport for Good Foundation website.

[The Ragdoll Foundation](#) – Small Grants: Grants up to £1,500 for imaginative and innovative work that shows the world from a child's point of view. The next deadline for applications is Friday 28th August 2020. Forthcoming deadlines are 30th October and 8th January. The Ragdoll Foundation also offers a Main Grants Fund – see their website for further details

[Masonic Charitable Foundation](#): Has a range of grants but this one has a focus on children & young people. Deadline for current applications is latest 31st August 2020.

[The Nisbet Trust](#): It makes single and multi-year grants to charitable organisations in the Greater Bristol area including B&NES. There are three levels of grant: Small – up to £5,000, Medium – £5,001 to £30,000, Large – over £30,000. Application forms are available from the trust's website. Trustees meet quarterly to consider applications.

Training & Support Opportunities:

The Princes Trust have some free virtual training on 'Supporting young people' to use the spoken word as an outlet for their mental health. Dates for the courses are August 10 – 21st and September 21 – October 2nd and October 26th – November 6th. Suitable for young people aged 16-30! To find out more and book a place email: carmen.benavides@princestrust.org.uk.

[Remote or homeworking Health & Safety](#) – **FREE download**. COVID-19 is changing the world of work, and employers are having to adapt quickly to a more flexible way of working. Working Families has over 40 years of experience helping employers create high-performing flexible teams and are offering this guide as a free download.

['Please give me space' social distancing cards or badges](#): The Government has published badges that can be used to show that the person carrying them may have difficulties or concerns with regards to maintaining social distancing. They can be used to signal to others around them that they need to pay attention and be given space.

The following E-Learning / Virtual / Resources are available through the Learning Pool:

CHILD EXPLOITATION: This course is an introduction to Child Exploitation and will incorporate information on sexual and criminal exploitation and online grooming. **18th September 2020 - 14.00 until 15.30** (Joining instructions & access code will be sent to you prior to the session for those who are booked)

Additional online training available:

To access this training you will need to register for free on the B&NES Learning Pool website:

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| Forced Marriage | The e-learning training provides professionals with an overview of forced marriage, raises awareness, challenges perceptions and provides advice on the correct actions to take. |
| Prevent Awareness | This e-learning course an introduction to the Prevent duty and explains how it aims to safeguard vulnerable people from being radicalised to supporting terrorism or becoming terrorists themselves. |
| Prevent Referrals | This e-learning package builds on the Prevent awareness eLearning training. It is designed to make sure that when we share a concern that a vulnerable individual may be being radicalised, that the referral is robust, informed and with good intention, and that the response to that concern is considered, and proportionate. |
| Channel Awareness | This e-learning package is for anyone who may be asked to contribute to, sit on, or even run a Channel Panel. It is aimed at all levels, from a professional asked to input and attend for the first time, to a member of staff new to their role and organising a panel meeting. |
| Safeguarding - volunteers | A handbook and video which serve as an introduction to understanding safeguarding and what action to take when concerns arise. |

Events:

Thurs 20th August: [Funding Talk: Fat Beehive Foundation](#) Free webinar 2- 3pm.

Improving your digital presence can be transformational, but it's really tough to secure funding in this area. The Fat Beehive Foundation exists to change that, offering small grants of up to £2,500 to charities with a turnover of less than £1 million. Come and find out more about what they fund and how to apply. Register for your free tickets [here](#).

[Covid-19 peer support webinars for VCSE leaders](#): Peer support sessions are being run by IVAP creating space for VCSE leaders to relieve some of the stress and uncertainty they are facing, through advice and reassurance from their peers. Sessions last about 90 minutes and dates are available throughout September.

Thank you for talking the time to read this e-bulletin. Please do keep sending in events and news to share with the sector. Now, more than ever, it is so important for us to come together and share knowledge and resources. If I can help in any way please don't hesitate to get in touch,

Kind regards, Gilly Samuddin
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