



Children & Young People's Network E-bulletin



April 2021

Dear Members,

I am really excited to invite you all to our first face to face network meeting since January last year... We will be holding our next CYPN meeting **Wednesday 23rd June 10-11.30am** at the **Odd Down Community Centre** and would love to see you there!

It will be an opportunity for members to catch up and hear what is going on locally with other members and meet our new CYPN chair, Dave Joyce, from Bath Youth for Christ. As of April this year, the CYPN contract is being funded by St John's foundation and we would like to take the opportunity to collect your thoughts on developing our vision for the CYPN going forwards. We want to ensure we are offering members all the support they want from the network and would really appreciate your contribution toward this. We will have access to both indoor and outdoor spaces for the meeting and I will ensure there are lots of tasty treats on offer for you all! Please do email me if you would like to join us so I can keep an eye on numbers 😊

In the meantime, there is still so much going on with our members and I hope you find this bulletin useful and informative. If you wish me to share anything in future bulletins please drop me an email,

Kindest regards,
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What's in this month's Newsletter:

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Please keep us up to date... Let us know if your contact details change:

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Local News & News from CYPN Members:

Nominations close this Friday, April 30, for the new [Shining Light Awards](#), which will recognise people who have made an exceptional contribution to support members of their community over the past year. There will be ten awards for which volunteers, carers, charities, businesses, nurses, teachers, public sector workers can be nominated, alongside anyone who has exceeded what is expected of them in order to help their local community or an individual over the past 12 months.

3 Cafe Kitchen, located next to Threeways school, Bath will be reopening on 4th May, 8-3.30 daily for take away and outside table service. Booking available 01225 838377, please spread the word!



[Swallow Community Café](#): The Hive @ Peasedown St John is now open for takeaways Tuesday – Thursday 8.45 – 3.30pm. Have a look at their menu online and give them a call to place your order on 07834 598288 www.swallowcharity.org



The organisers of the [Bath Half Marathon](#) announced this week with regret that this year's event has been postponed from September 2021 to 13th March 2022, due to the national COVID restrictions for large-scale events plus planned infrastructure projects on the highways network in the City this autumn.

[Bath Rugby Foundation HITZ programme](#)

BRF are now taking applications for their September cohort of 16 -19/19-24(with an EHCP) year olds for their HITZ programme. HITZ provides young people with qualifications and enrichment opportunities to support them to get back on track and develop the life skills needed. This year they are running courses in both Sports and Employability, delivered through their educational partners SCL. Alongside achieving a qualification, learners will participate in work experience hours to support with experience for their C.V's and to prepare them for the next steps after HITZ! For more details or to enroll please email [Mia here](#):

[New family cycle and activity park at Entry Hill, Bath](#) (as mentioned at our last CYPN meeting)

Bristol based Pedal Progression have been appointed to provide a new family cycle and activity park that will provide free access to park areas and trails for walking and cycling, a learn-to-ride area with pump track and a new natural play park. New wildlife habitats and wider biodiversity will be encouraged with a nature garden, pond and community growing area. There will also be a new and expanded café with seating and viewing areas across the park. It is hoped that the cycle park will open in spring 2022 with the café expected to open in summer 2021.

[The UK Youth Fund Report](#) The UK Youth Fund was launched to address the devastating impact that the Covid-19 pandemic is having on young people and their youth services. It concluded that the youth sector is well-placed to support young people to overcome the increased challenges they face due to the Covid-19 crisis. However, Covid-19 restrictions, the financial implications of the pandemic and a variety of barriers to accessing youth services have limited the youth sector's capacity to meet them.

The Children's Commissioner has launched the **biggest ever consultation with children**: Dame Rachel De Souza, Children's Commissioner for England, has launch 'The Big Ask', the largest ever consultation with children undertaken in England. The survey will be live until May 19th and asks children across England to set out their priorities for improving childhood post-Covid. The results from this survey will help the Children's Commissioner identify the barriers preventing children from reaching their potential, put forward solutions and set ambitious goals for the country to achieve. Children and young people can take part in the survey at thebigask.uk There are lots of [resources](#) to support you implementing the survey with CYP.

CYPN Annual Review:

Thank you to those of you who completed our recent Annual review. The findings showed that 100% of members who responded value our newsletter and 53% of members view this as our most valuable service with 36% valuing our network meeting most highly. Thank you for this feedback. We want the newsletter and network meetings to be meaningful for all members and value any contributions to these you can offer.

Additionally, over the last 12 months, 47% of members said they have collaborated more with other charity partners, and a 65% want to collaborate more and the CYPN would love to help facilitate this. We had a group of members interested in participating in a working group to discuss ways the network can be even more meaningful for our members and I will be in touch soon to get this started. If you were unable to complete the survey but would like to share your contributions for the network please do email me as I would love to hear how we can continue to support members more in the future.

Business & Funding Opportunities:

[The Youth Investment Fund](#) (YIF) is providing new opportunities for young people to get involved in their communities, support their personal development and get the skills and confidence they need to enter the workplace and reach their full potential. The fund is made up of £40 million of government and National Lottery funding from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport (DCMS) and the National Lottery Community Fund. It will fund meaningful open access youth services.

Members discussed the possibility of a collaborative project around this fund and were interested in setting up a sub group to discuss this: Please email me asap if you would be interested in participating in this group. gilly@bathareaplayproject.co.uk

[The Budget 2021: Update on Furlough](#) The Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme ('furlough') has been extended to September 2021. Until then, employees will continue to receive 80% of their wages. Employers will need to contribute 10% in July and 20% in August and September as the scheme is gradually phased out. The Business Rates 'holiday' will continue until the end of June 2021. For the rest of the financial year, business rates will be subject to a 2/3 discount, meaning only 1/3 the 'normal' business rates will be payable. There is a £5bn fund for 'Restart Grants', and local councils will administer the distribution of these and an additional £19m for domestic abuse programmes. From the summer, community groups will be able to bid for up to £250,000 matched funding to help them to buy local assets to run as community-owned businesses

[Tesco Community Grants](#) Tesco's 'Bags of Help' scheme is back open after a pause during the pandemic. It offers grants up to £1,500 for community & voluntary groups, registered charities, schools & non-profit organisations that focus on supporting children & families in the UK.

[Global Majority Fund –Comic Relief](#) Grants of up to £10,000 are available from the Global Majority Fund for work in the UK that relieves the emergency needs of communities facing racial inequality and impacted by the effects of Covid-19.

[The Clubs in Crisis Fund](#) One-off core. project or capital grants up to £2,021 for small UK grassroots sports clubs and charitable organisations working in the Sport for Development sector that have been adversely affected by COVID-19. Grants can be used for core, project or capital costs. Deadline 19th May

[The Peter Harrison Foundation](#) Capital grants for UK registered charities and Community Amateur Sports Clubs for sports-based projects providing opportunities for disadvantaged children and young people and/or people with a disability. It has three grant programmes; Opportunities Through Sport, Care for Children and Young People with Special Needs, Education. Applications may be made at any time and are considered every three months.

[The Gordon Fraser Charitable Trust](#) The Trust generally awards grants between £500 and £20,000 to UK registered charities, working in the areas of the arts, museums and theatre, education, health, the relief of poverty and young people. Applications may be made at any time.

[Racial Equity Funding](#) –Lloyd’s Bank Foundation Launched its Racial Equity funding for small and local charities led by and supporting Black, Asian, and ethnic minority communities. Charities can apply for two-year unrestricted grants of £50,000 alongside development support.

[The DCR Allen Charitable Trust](#) Grants between £500 and £20,000 for registered charities which are providing projects in the areas of education, medical care and young people. The Trust also occasionally supports disability projects. The Trust meets regularly to review requests for grant support. Applications may be made at any time in writing.

[Crime Prevention Through Sport Fund](#) –Wesport. Aims to support projects that use sport and physical activity to reduce violence, crime and anti-social behaviour. This fund is for projects that focus on using activity as a tool to engage and support young people up to the age of 25. Applications that use sport in its widest sense including traditional, informal sports and activities will be considered and encouraged to apply. Applications close Monday 17 May 2021.

[Bath Half Marathon Fund via Quartet Community Foundation](#) Small, local voluntary and community organisations can apply for up to £1,000 for activities involving sport, active lifestyles or play. All activities must have a community or charitable element. Applications can be made online via the Quartet website or a hard copy application can be requested from them. The deadline is 1pm 22May.

[The Roper Family Charitable Trust](#) Grants ranging from £1,000 to £60,000 are available to registered charities for a wide range of charitable purposes in Bath and North-East Somerset. Applications may be made at any time.

[Youth Endowment Fund -Another chance -Diversion from the criminal justice system](#)

Youth Endowment Fund (YEF) has announced a new fund of up to £20 million, to find out how diversionary programmes can keep children out of the criminal justice system. More information about what the Youth Endowment Fund is looking to fund and how to apply is available online and in its prospectus. Applications opened 19th April.

[John Lyon's Charity](#): The School Holiday Activity Fund (SHAF) is designed to enable organisations to deliver fun and accessible activities for children and young people during the school holidays through our School Holiday Activity Fund. This includes all half-term breaks, Easter, Christmas and the summer holiday. Organisations may apply for the running costs of holiday programmes that provide young people with supportive & accessible activities. Grants of up to £4,000 Apply by 1st June for Summer 2021

[Magic Little Grants 2021](#): Localgiving is working with People's Postcode Lottery, to offer charitable organisations the opportunity to apply for 2000 grants of £500. Grants can be used to support the general running costs of new or existing projects. It only takes 15 minutes to apply and you'll receive funding within six weeks. [Apply for a grant here](#).

[Quartet Vital Signs 2021](#): Quartet Community Foundation's report on climate and communities focuses on areas where philanthropy can make a difference. It highlights how Covid has hit our most disadvantaged communities hardest –and warns the climate crisis will do the same. Published in March 2021, the report examines how the climate crisis is already affecting lives in the West of England and includes local and national data on energy and transport, food, weather and nature. It also features local projects already taking positive steps to improve the environment and tackle climate change.

Training & Support Opportunities:

[FREE Digital support for charities](#): Editors for Impact

Editors for Impact is a social enterprise dedicated to **free media content creation for small charities**. Their mission is to relieve the challenge of cost, time and access so that your impact gets the best representation while you focus on your work. While still young, our ambition is to improve small charities' access to media for impact. Their services include video editing (inclusive of motion graphics and audio production) and graphics design (for example, logos, banners and posters). The organisation is currently made up entirely of volunteers. They're lucky to have a large pool of experienced and talented editors that are either looking to build their portfolio, or simply give back to charities that need their help: **contact@editorsforimpact.org**

B&NES Learning Pool Training: To book a space on one of these sessions please follow the links or go to the [Learning Zone](#). All training is currently virtual.

11th May 11-11.30am [Research Prior to an Early Help Assessment - virtual briefing](#) To enable learners to consider where they can gather information prior to writing an assessment, for example, speaking with the young person and their family, gaining consent to begin an assessment, acknowledging ongoing work with other agencies.

3rd June 11.00 – 13.00 [Young People's Participation in Practice Virtual Session](#) This is an interactive VIRTUAL session that will liven up your lunch time and inspire you to build on your existing participation practice through

exploring new skills and hearing from young people first hand, the difference good participation makes to them and how it has had a positive impact on their lives

11th June 9.30 – 15.30 [Working with Difficult, Dangerous & Evasive Behaviour – Virtual Session](#) This training will provide a variety of tools & techniques for working with service users in challenging situations

17th June 9.30 – 15.30 [SAFER RECRUITMENT – VIRTUAL TRAINING SESSION](#) Safer recruitment practices are vital for all settings where children or adults with care and support needs are present. This BCSSP virtual course is designed for those who are responsible for employing people who work with children or adults with care and support needs and will cover best practice throughout the recruitment process.

24th June 9.30 – 16.00 [Exploitation: Skills and Practice Virtual Training Session](#) This virtual course aims to develop practitioner skills, offers ideas to enhance practice and introduces practical ways of working with young people who are at risk of exploitation. The course discusses exploitation and looks at practical ways of working with children and young people from a prevention and support angle.

[Psychological First Aid training](#) for supporting children and young people (Online) Public Health England launched a FREE new online Psychological First Aid (PFA) training course on how to provide practical and emotional support to children & young people affected by coronavirus, or other emergencies or crisis situations. The course will equip those completing the training to better identify children that are in distress and provide support to help them feel safe, connected and able to take steps to help themselves.

[Wellbeing College BANES](#): The Wellbeing College provides a range of training for staff and volunteers, much of which is free. It also offers community courses designed to improve wellbeing. Keep an eye on their website for the latest opportunities

[Somerset Skills and Learning](#) Courses and Workshops, (online): Offer a range of free courses for learners aged 19+, who live in Somerset or BANES, and have lived in the UK for the last three years. Somerset Skills and Learning also offer bespoke courses and workshops, which can be tailored to the needs of your service users/community. To find out more, contact Lucy Hill by e-mail to lhill@sslcc.co.uk

[Beyond](#): Free Practical Training – free for Non profit’s working with those affected by Covid-19

A series of live Q&As:

11th May 12.30pm: Live Q&A: Approaches to social prescribing

12th May 12.30pm: Live Q&A: Supporting support workers online

7th & 21st May 10am: Live Q&A: Digital Product Management

How-to guides: [Developing a digital approach](#)

Interagency Meetings - BANES wide (currently online): They give service providers an opportunity to share information, promote projects or events and improve partnership working. Upcoming dates:

Tuesday 25th May 12-2pm : Zoom meeting [log in](#): Meeting ID: 981 1164 4540 Password: v3zhs0KMT6

Tuesday 27th July 12-2pm

Sign up to the Interagency Bulletin, or to attend their meetings [here](#).

Events:

18 - 20th May: [Social Media Film Making](#): Creativity Works 10 – 12.30pm

17th June: 11 – 1pm [3SG AGM](#) (online)

17th September: TRC Autumn Conference. To book click [here](#).

Job opportunities:

Mentoring Plus: 3 -Re advertised posts. Click links for detailed Job descriptions.

[Volunteer Mentoring Practitioner](#): 30 – 37.5 hours p/w. We're looking for a skilled and creative practitioner to support a diverse cohort of 11- to 21-year olds and their volunteer mentors Salary: from £12.30 ph (24,000 per annum, pro rata FTE).

[Professional Activities Practitioner](#) 7.5 hours per week incl 1 1 evening per week. PAYE from £12.00 ph. You'll be planning and providing an engaging weekly term time activities session for mentees, offering a choice of sports, arts, cooking, wildlife etc with input from professional activity providers.

[Professional Mentoring Practitioner](#) 30 – 37.5 hours per week Flexible with occasional out of hours working (with TOIL). Our Professional Mentoring practice supports young people with a 1-1 mentor. This enables us to help young people at a higher level of need than a volunteer can safely support, while still offering a child-centered and engaging service connecting young people with their community. We also provide primary and secondary schools with in-school professional mentors. From £12.30 per hour dependent on experience, plus pension. FTE = from £24k approx.

Southside:

[Independent Domestic Violence Advocate \(IDVA\) Senior Practitioner](#)

The post holder must be female. Section 7 (2) (e) of the Sex Discrimination Act (1979) applies. Southside are looking to recruit an IDVA. The worker will provide support, advice and advocacy to victims/ survivors experiencing domestic abuse and who may also be experiencing a combination of other complex issues namely substance misuse and mental ill-health. Based at Southside, Meade House, Wedgwood Road, Twerton, Bath, BA2 1QN Hours: 37.5 hours per week Salary: £26,000 per annum

Closing date: 12pm, Monday 10th May 2021 For further information on the post and an application pack please email recruitment@south-side.org.uk or telephone 01225 331 243

Thank you for taking the time to read this e-bulletin. Please do keep sending in events and news to share with the sector. If I can help in any way please don't hesitate to get in touch,

Kind regards,
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