
WELCOME to Community First's Newsletter - June 2011

Information and news for groups involved in the local community in East Hampshire.

Community First East Hampshire exists to strengthen the voluntary sector in the district - offering training, general organisational support and help with volunteer recruitment & management.

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COMMUNITY FIRST EAST HAMPSHIRE NEWS & EVENTS

We are still experiencing problems with our IT system and thus have decided to combine our July and August newsletter together with the hope that all will be in order by that time. This combined newsletter should (we hope) be sent in mid-August with our September newsletter sent in mid-September.

Interagency and Volunteer Managers Forum

Planning Your Event: Thursday 14 July from 10am-12noon at Alton College. Mark Rose, Community Project Worker at East Hampshire District Council, will present an interactive discussion session. Bring ideas for your organisation's upcoming events and support and receive support from other organisations on planning your event. Participants will be given the opportunity to go through a checklist on various things they need to know, including licensing, crowd control, publicity and legal aspects. For more information, please email Carolyn.warne@cfeh.org.uk.

Culture²

Culture² will be an all inclusive one day cultural festival in Petersfield town centre on Sunday 17 July from 10am to 3pm which aims to celebrate the diversity of East Hampshire. The High Street in Petersfield and the area around the Town Square will be closed to vehicular traffic from 8am to 5pm that day. Approximately 50 stallholders will take part in the event, with stalls placed on the High Street as well as Town Square. These stalls will be occupied by, for example, food vendors selling a diversity of local food products, craft making demonstrations, local history displays and information on local services and venues. The Mayor and Mayoress of Petersfield will say a few words of welcome at 10.45; stage performances by the Hanging Tree Band, Luke Ferre, Petersfield Academy of Dance and Vortex Dance Theatre will take place starting at approximately 11am on the Square. Drum4Fun will have drumming workshops will start at 10.30 and continue throughout the day on the area next to the Square Brewery. This free event is open to all and has something for everyone. It is supported by Radian Housing, East Hampshire District Council, Hampshire County Council, Petersfield Town Council, Affinity Sutton and the Petersfield Post. For general information on the event, go to <http://www.visitsoutheastengland.com/site/events/culture2-event-petersfield-p703371>.

3Cs Networking Meeting

Collaboration - Working in Partnership: a joint event with Havant Council of Community Service on Tuesday 26 July from 10am-12noon at St John's Church Hall in Rowlands Castle. There will be a presentation by Liz Donegan, Head of Project Development at Community Action Hampshire will speak and there will be an interactive session with the aim of participants coming away with a 'Next Steps Action Plan' on collaboration. It will help you understand what collaboration means, different types of collaboration and issues to bear in mind regarding collaboration. For more information, please contact carolyn.warne@cfeh.org.uk.

COMMUNITY FIRST TRAINING NEWS

Courses we are running in July

NEW: Become an Inspirational Facilitator. How to develop knowledge and understanding of the skills involved in being an effective facilitator. VENUE: The Village Room, Liphook Millennium Centre, Liphook, GU30 7LD - THURSDAY, 14 JULY 13:00-16:00. £30 voluntary sector; £60 others.

The Basics of Keeping Yourself Safe When Lone Working. Does your work as a volunteer or member of staff of a voluntary organisation involve going out and meeting people in their homes or on your own? VENUE: Room 45, Alton College, Alton, GU34 2LX - WEDNESDAY, 20 JULY 10:00-13:00. £25 voluntary sector; £50 others.

Emergency First Aid at Work. Teaches the appointed person to take charge in the event of an illness or accident. A certificate will be issued valid for 3 years. VENUE: The King's Arms, The Courtyard Buildings, Heath Road, Petersfield, GU31 4DX - MONDAY, 25 JULY 09:30 - 16:00. £55 voluntary sector; £110 others.

Food Hygiene (Chartered Institute of Environmental Health) Level 2. This certified course is aimed at anyone working in a catering setting where food is prepared, cooked or handled. A short multiple choice exam will be held at the end of the day. VENUE: The King's Arms, The Courtyard Buildings, Heath Road, Petersfield, GU31 4DX TUESDAY 26 JULY 09.30-16.30. £50 voluntary sector; £100 others.

Computing for the Terrified! Aimed at 50+ Silver Surfers. Starting with the absolute basics - switching a computer on - and aiming to develop your confidence and skills at the most basic and practical level. Training will be delivered either on a one to one basis, or as part of a small group. VENUE: The King's Arms, The Courtyard Buildings, Heath Road, Petersfield GU31 4DX TUESDAYS 9, 16 and 23 AUGUST 10.30 - 12.30. £20 (covers all 3 sessions).

Bookings and Further Information

The Learning Highways Programme is funded by Hampshire Learning see <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/hampshire-learning.htm>. Places for all courses need to be booked in advance. You can contact bookings@cfeh.org.uk to book your place or use our new online booking form. Simply go on the website www.cfeh.org.uk, click the Training tab on the left hand side and follow the drop down link to Training Booking Form and away you go!

All of our training sessions are subsidised, however, if you become a member of Community First then new full members will receive 20% discount off these course fees in the first year of membership. Also, the cost can be reduced even further if you are a small, volunteer led, group in East Hampshire. Please contact us in confidence to obtain further information about this extra discount.

NOT FOUND THE TRAINING YOU NEED

To see our full summer programme look online for Community First Training at www.cfeh.org.uk. We can also offer bespoke IT or Personal Safety & Lone Working training tailored to your organisation's needs, and training information and advice on a range of voluntary and community based subjects. Contact Liz Moore or Chris Turner at liz.moore@cfeh.org.uk or chris.turner@cfeh.org.uk to discuss your requirements.

OTHER TRAINING NEWS

Community Support Services

Two training courses, free to the voluntary and community sector, are available from Hampshire County Council Community Support Services. To find out more about the full programme including the Project Planning course on **11 July** and Equality and Diversity- Ensuring Inclusion on **16 November** go to <http://tinyurl.com/5va8wtb>.

LEADER Programme Workshops

The next series of RDPE LEADER Introduction, Full Application and Equality and Diversity Workshops is on **17 July** in Winchester. To find out more about LEADER and how to apply for grant funding for rural businesses and communities go to <http://www.fieldfareleader.org.uk/support>.

Better Balance for Life Facilitator Workshop

The next Better Balance for Life Facilitator Workshop which will take place on **22 July** 09.30 - 12.30 at Alton and Basingstoke Cardiac Rehabilitation Centre. This workshop is ideal for those working with older people and will provide more information about the Hampshire-wide falls prevention physical activity project. Please email the Falls Prevention Physical Activity Coordinator at wellbeing@hants.gov.uk for further information. The closing date for applications is **15 July**.

LOCAL EVENTS

CANCELLED Clanfield Skate Jam

The 2011 Clanfield Skate Jam planned for **9 July** has been postponed until further notice.

Summer Fete

Heatherlands Forever is holding its Summer Fete on **10 July** at the Woodlands Hall, Larch Road, Headley Down starting at 12.00. To find out more about the attractions which include a bouncy castle and face painting go to <http://www.hdca.btck.co.uk/News>.

Community Forums Relunched

East Hampshire District Council has re-launched its Community Forums. The Community Forums will meet in Petersfield on **July 5**, at Clanfield on **11 July**, Headley Down on **12 July** and Alton on **19 July**. During the meetings, which start at 18.30, the new format will be explained and local residents will be invited to place initiatives and ideas before the Forum for discussion through a group workshop. To find out more go to <http://www.easthampshire.org/2011/06/new-community-forums-will-target-tough-issues/> or contact Cynthia Haveron on cynthia.haveron@easthants.gov.uk.

Horndean Older Persons Forum

The first meeting of the Horndean Older Persons Forum takes place at Merchistoun Hall on **25 July** at 14.30. To find out more about the background to the Forum and the plans for the meeting go to <http://www.merchistounhall.co.uk/2011/06/27/horndean-older-persons-forum/>.

2012 - One Year to go!

The London 2012 Olympics are fast approaching. This *FREE* event on **11 August** 19.00 at East Hampshire District Council, Penns Place, Petersfield will give sports clubs the opportunity to mix and share ideas around development and engagement activities. The evening will also include a number of presentations. For further information please contact Kirsty Cope on Kirsty.cope@easthants.gov.uk or Richard Wood on Richard.wood@havant.gov.uk. Places are limited and applications must be submitted no later than **22 July**.

Petersfield Summer Festival

The Petersfield Summer Festival will take place in the centre of town on the evening of Saturday **27** and all day Sunday **28 August**. The festival will feature a wide range of quality local entertainment, bringing the centre of town alive. There will be something there for all ages. Organiser Ben Errey is currently looking for support from local people, businesses and acts. Please check out the website for more details www.petersfieldfest.com

LOCAL NEWS

New Well Being Centre at Merchistoun Hall

Horndean Community Association is launching a pilot Well Being Centre, a new concept of delivering services for people of target age 65 years, at Merchistoun Hall on Friday afternoons starting on **29 July**. Further information can be found at <http://www.merchistounhall.co.uk/2011/06/17/centre-pilot-older-person-merchistoun/>.

Diversity Support in Hampshire

The Hampshire Diversity support e-Bulletins include current information about equality and diversity events, training, news, funding and jobs from around the county and can be found at <http://www.action.hants.org.uk/index.php?id=73>.

JOB VACANCIES

Administrator wanted at Community Action Hampshire

Community Action Hampshire has extended the deadline for its recruitment of an Administrator to 12.00 on **13 July**. This is a fixed term contract, up to the end of 2011, to cover for the current administrator who will be working on another project within the organisation. Please go to the following link for more details: <http://www.action.hants.org.uk/index.php?id=103> .

Street Reach are Looking for Two Youth Workers

Winchester Detached Youth Work Project (aka Street Reach) are looking to appoint two Youth Workers who will work with young people in a detached environment, providing a variety of challenging and exciting opportunities to enable them to develop personally and socially. The posts are for 6 hours per week: evenings on a rotation basis and the closing date for applications is 12.00 on **18 July**. For further details go to <http://www.friday-ad.co.uk/winchester/jobs/part-time-evening-weekend/2-youth-worker-YI119CG36> or contact Project Manager Ben Martin at winch.youth@gmail.com.

LINK Development Worker

Southampton Voluntary Services are pleased to be recruiting for an exciting new position within their Voluntary Sector Support Team. To find out more about the position, please go to www.SouthamptonVS.org.uk/updates/recruitment/svs-vacancy/.

HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE

Supporting Young Carers

The Children's Society Include Project and Hampshire County Council are pleased to announce a conference in Alton on **19 July** aimed at ensuring that young carers get a more responsive, whole family and needs-led service. There will be a formal launch of "Hampshire Practice Guidance for Adult Social Services and Children's Services Whole Family Service Delivery when supporting young carers". Further details can be found at <http://www.hants-alliance.org.uk/?q=events/276>.

Funding for Short Breaks

For some disabled young people to attend mainstream and/or targeted activities, higher costs can be incurred as their personal requirements may be more than most. To find out more about the grants available from Hampshire County Council for short breaks or to support the additional costs of running an event and/or activities that include children and young people with disabilities go to <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/childrens-services/specialneeds/shortbreaks/shortbreaksfunding.htm>.

Parent Voice Information Line Discontinued

Please note that the Parent Voice out of hours service is no longer available. They do have a 24 hour answerphone: Fareham - 01329 823140, Basingstoke - 01256 472767 and Western Hampshire - 02380 721206. If you leave your name, number and the best time to call you, they will respond as soon as possible.

Safeguarding Adults Policy

There is now a template safeguarding adults policy available on the CAH website for organisations to adapt to their own particular circumstances at <http://www.action.hants.org.uk/index.php?id=645>. This has been developed with HCC.

Red Tape Taskforce

The Red Tape Taskforce, led by Lord Hodgson, has published its report called Unshackling Good Neighbours. It contains a lot of interesting ideas. It supports the use of grants in a section on commissioning and calculating social value when judging tenders. Go to <http://www.navca.org.uk/news/view-article/navca-welcomes-red-tape-report> to read the report.

Agency Workers Guidance Published

The Department of Business, Innovation and Skills (BIS) has published their long awaited guidance document to accompany the new Agency regulations. To view the document, go to <http://tinyurl.com/3ssdmcx>

Changes to Cookies Rules

Charities are being urged to be prepared to seek user's permission when using cookies on their websites following the government's recent announcement on the regulation of cookies. Cookies, the text files that websites put onto a user's computer to store information such as user preferences, are one of the main things to be affected by the changes to the EU Electronic Communications framework. Susie Wright, an associate at ICT Consultancy Sue Fidler Ltd, said: "Until we hear the government's announcement about the solutions they've been able to achieve to meet the EU amendment, it isn't possible to say what charities will need to do in response." She said that charities should prepare by making sure that they are clear about how and why they are using cookies and having a clear statement on their website explaining this and how to turn them off.

Children's Age Limit on Vetting and Barring Scheme

The Government has changed its mind on plans to move the age limit on vetting and barring arrangements for children's professionals to only cover those working with up to 16 year olds. They will be keeping the cut off age at 18. Go to http://www.cypnow.co.uk/bulletin/cypnow_daily/article/1067841/ to read the full article.

Flexible Working Rights

Right at the last moment the Government changed its mind and DID NOT implement the expected change to the Flexible Working Rights (FWR). It was widely expected that April would see a change to the legislation that would have extended the age of children covered by FWR to children under the age of 18 years (rather

than the current, under the age of 17 years). As previously reported, the recent Budget contained proposals to reduce the burden of employment legislation on businesses. This seems to be one of those “proposals”.

Children's Centres Contracts

Hampshire County Council is inviting expressions of interest from potential suppliers for the operational management and service delivery of fifteen separate clusters which overall contain fifty-one children's centres management units. The closing date for expressions of interest is 12.00 on **22 July** and further information can be found on the children's centres website www.hants.gov.uk/childrens-centre-tender.

Adult Services Safeguarding Unit

The main aim of the Safeguarding Coordinators is to improve the effectiveness and efficiency of safeguarding within Hampshire. Each coordinator has an allocated area and works closely with colleagues from adult services, police, health, housing and independent providers. A safeguarding Telephone Enquiry Line 01962 847214 has been set up to respond to day-to-day safeguarding queries, and is available during office hours. There is also a dedicated email inbox adult.safeguarding.unit@hants.gov.uk.

A National Response to the Abuse of People with Learning Disabilities

Eighty six leading individuals and organisations in the learning disability field, from across the UK, have written to the Prime Minister calling for a programme of action in response to the abuse of people with learning disabilities, in a private hospital in Bristol that was identified by Panorama. To view the letter go to <http://www.ndti.org.uk/news/national-news/a-national-response-to-the-abuse-of-people-with-learning-disabilities1/>.

Health and Safety Executive launches resources for voluntary organizations

The Health and Safety Executive (HSE) has launched new online resources designed to help voluntary organisations understand when they have duties under health and safety law. WebPages include information on how health and safety law is applicable to voluntary organisations and a checklist of areas managers of village and community halls may need to consider to ensure the hall provides a safe and healthy place for people to use. The resources also signpost users to a range of tools designed to help manage health and safety for low risk activities. <http://www.hse.gov.uk/voluntary/index.htm>

Concessionary Travel Changes

April 1 heralded significant changes to the concessionary fares system in Hampshire, meaning that the scheme now covers the whole of Hampshire and beyond, right across England. How will the changes affect you? If you are an **older person**: You can use your Older Person's Bus Pass for free 'off peak' travel between 9am and 11pm Monday to Friday and all day at weekends and on bank holidays. You can also use the bus pass on Dial-a-Ride if you are a member (half fare) as well as other similar schemes. If you are a **disabled person**: You can use your Disabled Person's Bus Pass to travel free all day locally and travel is also free during the 'off peak' times of 9.30am to 11pm Monday to Friday and all day at weekends and bank holidays. You can also use the bus pass on Dial-a-Ride if you are a member (half fare) as well as other similar schemes. If you have a specific disability which is so severe that you cannot travel unaccompanied, you may also be entitled to a Companion Pass. Vouchers (formerly known as travel tokens) can be used as an alternative to the bus pass and are also available to people with specific disabilities. If you chose to have vouchers instead of a bus pass, you will receive £32 of vouchers per year to use in full or part payment for your fare on certain travel options including Dial-a-Ride and some taxi firms. For all of the above, there are some restrictions and exceptions. To find out about the scheme and the eligibility rules in detail, or to apply, phone the Concessionary Travel Team on 0845 603 5635. For further information please see: <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/passengertransport/>

Radical shake-up of Criminal Record Regime and Vetting and Barring Scheme (VBS)

More than nine million people working or volunteering with children and vulnerable adults will no longer need to register and be monitored by the state following an overhaul of the checking regime. The government have unveiled plans to scale back the VBS and Criminal Records Regime to common sense levels while ensuring vulnerable groups are appropriately protected. The proposals, which come after a comprehensive review of the existing system, include: the merging of the Criminal Records Bureau (CRB) and Independent Safeguarding Authority (ISA) to form a streamlined new body providing a proportionate barring and criminal records checking service; a large reduction of the number of positions requiring checks to just those working most closely and regularly with children and vulnerable adults; portability of criminal records checks between jobs to cut down on needless bureaucracy; and an end to a requirement for those working or volunteering with vulnerable groups to register with the VBS and then be continuously monitored by the ISA.

Other news from CRB: www.crb.homeoffice.gov.uk has changed

On **31 March** the content of this website moved to the following government websites: www.direct.gov.uk - information and access to services for CRB applicants and the general public; www.businesslink.gov.uk - information for registered bodies and other associated businesses and organisations using the CRB service; www.homeoffice.gov.uk - corporate information and publications for particular interest groups and partners.

LOCAL FUNDING NEWS

HIWCF Local Giving

Localgiving.com allows the public to find and give to local charities and community groups, even those too small to be registered. Each of these groups is vetted by HIWCF before appearing on Localgiving.com. Localgiving.com's fee covers the maintenance of the system, processing of payments, and customer care. Any surpluses made by Localgiving.com are required to be given back to the two shareholders, both registered charities whose objectives are to encourage local philanthropy. The Localgiving.com for Hampshire and Isle of Wight region will be coordinated by Bernice Heller. There is a small cost involved, the first three months are free then there is a charge of £60 for the rest of the year. Groups can send their own supporters to sponsor them online and can receive gift aid through the site even if they are not registered to receive gift aid. For further information about Localgiving.com go to <http://localgiving.com/home> or contact the Hampshire and Isle of Wight Community Foundation on 01256776101, Email: info@hantscf.org.uk or <http://www.hantscf.org.uk>.

Hampshire County Council External Funding Service

HCC puts together a list of new funds and funding updates which is published on their website at <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/externalfunding>. They also have advice on writing your funding application.

Hampshire County Councillor Grants

Each County Councillor has a budget of £8k to spend on revenue or minor capital projects - go to <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/grants.htm>. These grants are usually in the range £500 -£1000. Feedback indicates that it is best to invite your HCC councillor to your project and then submit the grant application. They are an extremely useful source of funding for small projects.

Hampshire County Council Grants

HCC are becoming more stringent on a group's policies being in place and up-to-date; Hampshire County Council Grants will be dependent on having the proper policies in place. Please visit CFEH's website for helpful information sheets www.cfeh.org.uk or email Carolyn Warne (carolyn.warne@cfeh.org.uk) or Anstey Brierley (Anstey.brierley@cfeh.org.uk) to make an appointment to help you with a review of your policies.

East Hampshire District Council Grants

East Hampshire District Council has funds available through the Community Forum Project Fund. The Fund will pay up to 50% of the total cost of the project to a maximum of £1,000. Grants under £500 can be administered through delegated authority. Depending on your location in East Hampshire, please contact: South - Mark Rose (mark.rose@easthants.gov.uk); Central - Lucy Soal (Lucy.soal@easthants.gov.uk); Northeast - Liz Panton (liz.panton@easthants.gov.uk); or Northeast - Jude Simpson (jude.simpson@easthants.gov.uk) or Kirsty Cope (kirsty.cope@easthants.gov.uk).

South Downs National Park Sustainable Communities Fund

The Sustainable Communities Fund is a grant scheme administered by the South Downs National Park Authority to support local community projects that have a positive impact on future generations and take full consideration of social, economic and environmental concerns. Any partnership, voluntary group or commercial organisation can apply for funding if they believe their project is bringing social, environmental, economic or cultural benefits to a local community. Grants are available for up to 75% of the project for not for profit organisations including the voluntary and community sector, Parish Councils etc. and 50% for private sector applicants, depending on the project. For more information, go to www.southdowns.gov.uk.

NATIONAL FUNDING NEWS

Changes to Awards for All

Following feedback from funding advisers and applicants, BIG Lottery has made some small but important changes to their Awards for All programme: Groups can now apply for up to £10,000 per year as long as they only hold one Awards for All grant at a time; Groups can apply for an existing activity if the activity hasn't

taken place within three years; An eligibility checklist is on the new application form. This will make the application process easier for applicants. Successful applicants that have provided a bank or building society details form in the last two years will not need to resubmit this form as long as they are using the same bank or building society account. Please note that they will still be accepting the old application forms until the end of June 2011. The new application form and guidance notes are now available from the England pages of the Awards for All website at <http://www.awardsforall.org.uk/england/apply.html> or by telephone to the BIG advice line on 0845 4 10 20 30.

New Reaching Communities Fund Guidance

Big has produced a new guidance note about the Reaching Communities Fund. The good news is that the fund has been increased to £100m, however it is still massively oversubscribed. The new guidance can be found at http://www.biglotteryfund.org.uk/reaching_communities_key_messages.pdf

Drinkaware Grants

The Drinkaware grants scheme aims to change the UK's drinking culture for the better. They work to positively influence public behaviour and find innovative ways to raise awareness about the effects of alcohol, to help reduce alcohol misuse and minimise alcohol-related harm. Their funding schemes give local and national projects a fantastic chance to change the nation's drinking habits and make a positive difference to people's lives. This is your chance to be part of the solution. Grants are available to groups in any part of the UK, working with any population group, through 3 schemes: Ideas Fund - up to £2,000; Awareness Projects - up to £25,000; Big Impact Awards - up to £100,000. Their funded projects include peer-led education schemes, alcohol education work, awareness raising among disadvantaged people who are at risk of harm from alcohol misuse, pilot projects and innovative work.

To apply for a grant please read carefully through the grants guidelines their website, which describes the kind of projects they can fund. They want to ensure that their funding schemes reach the right organisations at the right time and have created a rolling grants programme with no application deadlines. However, you should apply at least two months before your project is due to start, longer if you are planning to apply for a larger grant or a Big Impact Award. They are always happy to give advice informally over the phone on 020 7766 9908 or by email to Andy Law: alaw@drinkaware.co.uk before you make an application, or during the application process. They encourage you to call before applying to discuss your proposal, particularly if you are planning to apply for a larger grant. All applications for funding should be made by filling in the Application Form which is available to download from their website: <http://www.drinkaware.co.uk/grants> or Email: alaw@drinkaware.co.uk.

Lloyds TSB Foundation News

Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales significantly increases investment to £24.5m to support the most vulnerable in society. The Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales has published its annual report showing an increased investment of £24.5 million in 2010 (£20.6m in 2009) to support the most vulnerable in society. One of the UK's leading grant makers, the independently run Foundation supports charities that help disadvantaged people to play a fuller role in the community. Over the last three years, this level of investment has not only supported over 2,500 jobs and 12,300 volunteering opportunities (often the first step towards employment) but has also ensured nearly 3,000 charities have been able to provide much needed local and community services. The impact of this investment has been to reduce isolation and increase social interaction (both in rural and urban settings); improve or provide access to support/advice services where they exist and helped to improve the basic skills of literacy and numeracy for many thousands of vulnerable people. Lorna Butterick, Business Manager, Project Challenge, Calderdale said: "Britain has the largest number of NEET (not in employment, education or training) young people in Western Europe and as such we are seeing demand for our services grow and grow. The funding from Lloyds TSB Foundation means we can continue to run our service and support the many young NEET people who come to us from within the community needing help to build their self-esteem and confidence to achieve qualifications and improve their live chances and choices." The investment from the Foundation has also facilitated success in obtaining funding from other sources for over 500 charities, helping them remain resilient and sustainable at a time of funding cutbacks. Linda Kelly, Chief Executive of Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales, commented: "We are delighted to be able to respond with a significantly increased investment at a time of major cuts and changes. We have seen an increase of 25% in eligible applications last year and with our new sustained level of funding from Lloyds Banking Group, we are delighted to be able to respond in such a positive manner and continue to support the needs of those most vulnerable in our society." For more information about Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales, please visit: www.lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk or contact: Nikki Morgan, Communications Officer, Lloyds TSB Foundation for England and Wales on 020 7378 4612 or nmorgan@lloydstsbfoundations.org.uk

For further information about Project Challenge, please visit www.projectchallenge.org.uk.

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund is inviting applications from charity organisations for projects that support carers, community arts and education disability, older people, poverty, integration and rehabilitation. Grants are normally in the range of £1,000 and £10,000. The objectives of the Fund are the alleviation of poverty and the promotion of good health and welfare, the advancement and furthering of education.

Successful projects will either maintain an open, inclusive society or promote integration (or reintegration) of individuals or groups into society. Preference will be given to smaller charities, charities which serve a locality or region of the UK, rather than national charities, and causes which find it more difficult to raise funds from the general public. When making an application please study the guidelines that are available on their website. They only accept applications in typewritten form. Remaining 2011 deadlines are: 12 August 2011 Please visit the website for more information www.thetriangletrust1949fund.org.uk.

Cable&Wireless Worldwide Foundation

The telecommunications company Cable&Wireless Worldwide has launched a charitable foundation and is inviting charities to apply for funding worth about £300,000. The Foundation will support registered charities that it could work with to use communications technology to help improve the lives of people with special needs. Go to the Foundation website for further details <http://tinyurl.com/63jws5y>.

BT Community Connections Reopens for Applications

The BT Community Connections scheme has opened for a second 2011 round. The awards scheme is intended to provide voluntary groups and charitable organisations working to benefit the community in the UK with IT equipment and Internet access. Successful applicants to the programme will receive a laptop and a year's free broadband Internet connection. For details, go to <http://www.btplc.com/Responsiblebusiness/Supportingourcommunities/Digitalinclusion/BTCommunityConnections/ApplyingforaCommunityConnectionsAward/index.htm>.

Sportivate

Sportivate, a £32 million Lottery programme, is part of Sport England's Places, People, Play mass participation programme that gives 14-25 year olds access to six-week courses in a range of sports. For further information on how Sportivate works in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight go to <http://www3.hants.gov.uk/shiow/fundingsupport/sportivate.htm>.

HMRC Replaces 2009 Gift Aid Forms

HMRC has announced the launch of its new gift aid forms to replace the forms on the 2009 Gift Aid Toolkit CD and prior internet forms. The new forms, which can be found at <http://www.hmrc.gov.uk/charities/gift-aid-toolkit.htm> require less information on form CHA1 and less people to fill out CHV1. A new automatic calculator on form R68i is expected to improve accuracy and new guidance relating to each individual form is now provided.

NOT FOUND THE FUNDING YOU NEED HERE?

Contact Anstey Brierley anstey.brierley@cfeh.org.uk or Carolyn Warne carolyn.warne@cfeh.org.uk.

OTHER NEWS

Department of Health Volunteering Fund National Awards

The DH Volunteering Fund National Awards were announced on the first day of Volunteering Week. Through this scheme, the Department has committed to delivering £6m to support Big Society volunteering projects in health and social care. To find out more about the Fund, which will be divided among thirteen organisations, over three years go to http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/MediaCentre/Pressreleases/DH_127295.

Catch22

The Catch22 Restorative Justice Service are based within the Wessex Youth Offending Team and work with young people on court orders, aged between 10-18, to help them to understand the impact that their offending has on those around them and then help them to repair the harm they have caused to their victims, their families and their local communities. To find out more about Catch-22 and how you might get involved, go to www.catch-22.org.uk.

Health & Safety Update

Sandy Adirondack has added or updated a number of the health and safety entries on her legal website for voluntary organisations. To find out more go to www.sandy-a.co.uk/employment.htm and scroll down to the health and safety section.

HR Newsletter

Human resource specialists J Mann Associates will donate £1 to the National Autistic Society. Sign up for their FREE HR newsletter. To find out more, go to <http://www.jmassociates.org/>.

Renting or Using Council Premises

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