

Volunteering Lancashire VCFS Consortium - Hub



Meeting of the Volunteering Lancashire Hub – [VL Hub]

DATE: 7th December 07

VENUE: Preston DISC, 103-104 Church Street, Preston

PRESENT: Gael Finch (CSR VC); Ella Wardleworth (LEBP); Julie Sumner (LCC), Sara and Janice (WL VC); Janette Holden (BPR VC), Tony Hyland (Preston VB); Gordon Wardman and Sharon Hall (Grassroots BSR); Victoria Dewhurst (Central Lancs. PCT); Adrian Blundell (Groundwork Pennine Lancashire) and Graham Whalley (LYA)

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VL.07.79	1. Apologies: Amir Akber (Youth Action); Dorothy Shears (HRV VC); Lynn Saggerson (BWF VC), Samantha Cronshaw-Haddock (BWF VC); Mary O'Dolan (LCC); Khalid Naseem (Blackburn with Darwen VC) and Daveen Wallis (LWT)		
VL.07.80	2. Notes of the last meeting: 9 th November - Agreed as true record.		
VL.07.81	3. Matters Arising: Gael will attend the event being organised by Tony. Venue (Preston DISC) and dates 2008 are confirmed.		
VL.07.82	4. SSC Funding: Partners have secured funding to deliver on the LAA Safer and Stronger Communities Outcomes S28a and S28b. Lead partners are: Lancashire Wildlife Trust; Groundwork; HRV VC and Preston Volunteer Bureau. Before the work is commenced the work plan will be put to the SSC Sub Block. Tony and Adrian provided short summaries of the work in hand and Dorothy and Graham will provide feedback on the process to the VCFS Exec on 12 th December. Adrian requested 'volunteer stories/pen pictures' for marketing purposes.		
VL.07.83	5. Action Plan: a. Training – Gael provided a verbal report from an email via Lynn. Sam unfortunately not able to attend because of bereavement in the family.		

VL.07.83	<p>b. Provision Table - Gael provided a verbal report from Khalid on the provision table.</p> <p>c. Online Information – The website needs to be updated. Agreed Tony and Adrian to contact Signposts directly about the website. Agreed Graham to send Adrian and update email list of contacts.</p> <p>d. Youth Volunteering – LEBP have been awarded V Team contracts for Lancashire and Blackpool, Blackburn CVS have been awarded the contract for Blackburn. 2nd Stage contracts have been awarded to a number of local front line VCFS organisations including Prescap, UCLan and CSV Media.</p>		
VL.07.84	<p>6. Newsround:</p> <p>CSR VC – VOISE have received funding to train vocationally skilled people over 50 as teachers/tutors. Gael noted that this might enable organisations (with trained tutors) to then charge for any training they subsequently deliver. www.voise.org.uk for more information. LYA – New funding frameworks for VCFS youth organisations and the development of a VCFS youth organisation consortium to undertake collective bidding. BPR VC – Training is popular, still awaiting news on BASIS funding. LCC – Berlin visit looking at a trans-national bid to bring people from 4 other countries to help them develop volunteer centres. Funding secured from BLF to support the regeneration of libraries and include volunteers to support the participation and engagement of people from disadvantaged backgrounds – specific to the library. A member of staff will be appointed in due course to co-ordinate this work. WL VC – Structure of the VC will have to change – moving to one large office in the local ecumenical centre. Grassroots (BSR) – working in prisons to support families and resettlement with volunteers – DVD available to promote the work – Linked to NOMS in the NW and Gordon is interested to hear about all organisations working with offenders. Sheron requested information on conflict resolution courses. Preston VB – radio programme with V – youth reparation panels now in place – conference on ‘hard to reach’ groups going ahead in Feb 08 – agreed Sheron and Gael to join the planning group. Dare to Care event being promoted by Radio Lancashire. Doing joint interviews in Job Centres with clients looking to re-enter the labour market. LEBP – working with young people at risk of offending in the youth reparation panels – young people volunteering in libraries dates fixed over the Christmas period. Central Lancs. PCT – volunteering is with the community engagement team now reviewing what works well and to raise awareness in staff about volunteers – where they work and what they do.</p>		

VL.07.85	<p>7. Any Other Business:</p> <p>Ella proposed Hannah Bland as a member of VL – agreed.</p> <p>Tony Lancs. Adult Learning are offering free ESOL basic maths training contact C. Fish HRV VCS. Keith Kinley had mentioned the new national indicators – do we want to comment about this? Tony to send a website link through to Graham.</p> <p>Graham – send Q3 VCFS monitoring from to all.</p>		
VL.07.86	<p>Date of Next Meeting: At Preston DISC.</p> <p>11th January 2008, Preston DISC from 9.30-12.00.</p>		
SIGNED	Chair:	Date:	