

Good afternoon

***'We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give' - Winston Churchill***

In some way everyone receiving this Sector update will relate to the quote above. At a time when budgeting is harder both personally and professionally, creativity and passion is needed to ensure that our community works together to achieve great things and make life better. Whatever role we play within this, the giving of time and resource definitely enhances the community but also our own lives, and we are proud that here at VANL we have re-focussed our Volunteer Centre to adapt to changes in funding to continue to offer a Volunteer Centre, but delivered in a different way.

This bulletin will highlight some local opportunities, national news and other campaigns which affect our Sector.

**National News**

**1. Do-It**

The website Do-It, familiar to all who work in the Voluntary and Community Sector, has been referred to the Charity Commission following a transfer to a new entity Vivo. It is as yet unclear what impact that will have on the service but it is expected that business will continue as normal. Please continue to use Do-It but also let us know if you experience any issues and we will either help or lobby as needed - please see [www.do-it.org](http://www.do-it.org)

**2. Fundraising Preference Service**

Do you fundraise for any community, voluntary or charitable organisation? If so are you aware that the Fundraising Preference Service went live yesterday, on 6th July? The FPS operates similarly to the Telephone Preference Service, allowing individuals to opt out of receiving requests for donations. Make sure your organisation is compliant by checking out your obligations in the news section of [www.civilsociety.co.uk](http://www.civilsociety.co.uk)

**3. Expect significant additions to the Fundraising Code of Practice**

Whilst we are yet to see the new and amended Code of Practice for Fundraisers, here at VANL we are being warned to expect 50 or 60 changes to the Code of Practice for Fundraising. The changes are likely as a result of changes to the General Data Protection Regulation which comes into force next May (2018). In particular Charities will need to demonstrate compliance under this act and it is anticipated that more staff will be needed by the Regulators to cope with additional queries and challenges. Over 700 complaints were received by the Fundraising Regulator in its first year.

**Local News**

**4. Lindsey Lodge Hospice celebrates 25 years in 2017!**

Here at VANL we love to celebrate success - Lindsey Lodge Hospice, one of the region's most-loved charities, celebrates 25 years of hospice care in North Lincolnshire this year. VANL would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the staff and volunteers who work tirelessly for LLH for their commitment and care over 25 years and to congratulate the team of the opening of their new Shop and Tea Room in Scotter! We hear lovely reports of the cake on offer and would encourage everyone to visit!

**5. Job opportunities within the CVS**

We are pleased to advertise a number of posts which can be found on our website as well as being referenced here:

**Westcliff Drop-In Centre** are currently recruiting a Ways to Wellness Health and Wellbeing Worker - the deadline for applications is 14th July and further information can be found at the VANL website [www.vanl.org.uk/site/about/jobs](http://www.vanl.org.uk/site/about/jobs) or by contacting Rae Twidale on [admin@westcliffdropin.co.uk](mailto:admin@westcliffdropin.co.uk)

**ERVAS** - our sister organisation in the East Riding - is advertising for a number of posts as well - again information is available on the ERVAS website [www.ervas.org.uk](http://www.ervas.org.uk)

## **6. Training**

We are delighted at the response to our recent training programme and have introduced a number of new options and courses. We are currently working on our Autumn programme and full details can be found on the training section of our website. We have put on an additional couple of Introduction to Eating Disorders training courses, led by SYEDA, on 17th July and have just 2 places left. Please do note that some of our courses may be tailored to the needs of your organisation and bespoke programmes can be developed. If you have a group of 6 or more learners needing a particular course, we are happy to deliver in-house as well. For more information please see our website or facebook page.

## **7. Funding Advice Surgery**

We are delighted that Gary Allen, our local funding expert, will be offering 1 hour surgery sessions on July 25th for anyone interested in seeking additional funding and sessions can be booked at £20 per hour for Members, £25 per hour for non-members by emailing [enquiries@vanl.org.uk](mailto:enquiries@vanl.org.uk) or calling 01724 845155.

## **8. Transforming Health Event**

VANL are coordinating the local consultation and WE NEED YOUR INPUT! By separate cover the agenda for this event on 20th July will be sent to all of those who have expressed an interest in Health Consultation and strategy. The event takes place at Westcliff Community Centre and we are keen to see as many Community and Voluntary Sector organisations there as possible.

## **9. We are TWENTY**

VANL this year are celebrating their 20th birthday and snapshots of our achievements can be found in the birthday section of our website, along with on our facebook page and twitter feed. We also have new offers on our services, additional and new services, and continue to provide the best value DBS checks locally along with a range of support services and office services. We have launched our new hotdesking option along with flexible room hire arrangements. Whatever it is you are looking for to support your community, voluntary or charitable sector activity, VANL will deliver. Membership costs just £10 per year, and Members can access discounts on all services Associate and Individual Membership is also available.

We also offer a range of opportunities to advertise community events and volunteering, as well as jobs and anything that will benefit the sector. Do get in touch if you'd like to know more.

Wishing you a happy and healthy July ahead,

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