

Telford & Wrekin VCS Infrastructure Consortium

Minutes

2-4pm, 14th May 2010, Meeting Point House

1.	<p>Apologies: Mick Lloyd, Karen Roper, Tim Moore</p> <p>Present: Ells Sips, George Kinnell, Bev Harris, Peter Beer</p>	
2.	<p>The notes of the previous Consortium meeting (16.04.2010) have been approved as a true record.</p> <p>Ella has circulated the sustainable model of support services document.</p>	
3.	<p>Reports:</p> <p>Ella and George attended the Infrastructure Development Partnership meeting (11.05.2010)</p> <p>Sharing of notable points</p> <p>A commissioning and procurement toolkit produced by BVSC is now available online.</p> <p>A Briefing from RAWM encouraged regional structures</p> <p>No feedback from RAWM on the compact</p> <p>Matt Kendall from the 2012 strategy encouraged infrastructure bodies to link up with County Sports Partnerships.</p> <p>George to bullet point news for future sharing</p> <p>WM Compact Conference (20.04.2010)</p> <p>George has emailed the notes of this meeting to all members for their information.</p> <p>The LA is now working on the local compact (see 5C)</p>	GK
4.	<p>Matters Arising from Action Plan (12.03.2010) and developments to date:</p> <p>Mapping the Sector</p> <p>Questions that need to be asked include income, staff, Vols, percentage of paid staff, HR support. This will support better delivery of services to</p>	GK/ES

	<p>groups - Scheduled post July</p> <p>Consortium website</p> <p>This is now live. It needs to be linked to the CVS website. It also needs to be developed in view of the plans for the assembly. Can be used for consultation purposes and to provide information on consortium members.</p> <p>It was agreed that everyone should write an A4 introduction to include their picture, logo, roles, and links.</p> <p>A Performa to be designed</p> <p>Council 3rd Sector paper (inc Compact) – progress</p> <p>No progress reported</p> <p>Progress with Priority Actions (attached)</p> <p>These have been emailed by George, refer to future meetings</p> <p>Reviews of membership</p> <p>Refer to future meetings. A decision has been made to make no changes for this year.</p> <p>Proposals for conference/event/Assembly launch</p> <p>Some progress has been made. Most areas have a third assembly although models do vary according to the membership. In Shropshire they have 14 thematic forums – each one sends a representative to the assembly – then a representative of the assembly sits on the Shropshire Partnership Leadership Board. This works well.</p> <p>Different models will be produced for consideration</p> <p>In future, items 4 and 5 need to be amalgamated into a rolling chronological action plan for clarity.</p>	<p>GK</p> <p>ES/GK</p> <p>GK</p> <p>GK</p>
5.	<p>Future Agenda Items from Action Plan (12.03.2010)</p> <p>a) Tasks, role, gaps, resource implications for new role, and JD (continuous) Refer to future meeting</p> <p>b) Discussion - use of member databases (11.06.10)</p>	

	<p>It was thought it was better for all of us to use our own networks as in the communication plan. This to be put on the website. More protocols to be put in place at a later date</p> <p>c) Future Council intentions – 3rd Sector Strategy, refreshed Local Compact, new Commissioning framework (11.06.10)</p> <p>George has spoken to Tim, who is meeting with Victor Brownlees shortly to clarify priorities re the voluntary sector.</p> <p>d) Event evaluation (post event) Refer to future meeting</p> <p>e) Review consortium membership (continuous) Refer to future meeting</p>	ES
6.	<p>Information Share</p> <p>Representation on County Training Partnership</p> <p>Karen has asked for representation on this partnership. It delivers training to Parish and Town Councils.</p> <p>This needs clarification from Karen</p> <p>Volunteer Centre</p> <p>Beverly continues to keep the issue of volunteering high on the agenda on local and regional strategic groups including the Telford & Wrekin Infrastructure Consortium, Telford at Work and the West Midlands 2012 Sports volunteering project.</p> <p><u>Income Generation</u></p> <p>The Volunteer Centre continues to explore avenues of generating income. This includes offering training on Volunteer Management to other local and infrastructure organisations. Beverly is due to do training workshops during May for the Wolverhampton Infrastructure Consortium and has been invited to do a workshop for the Ironbridge Gorge Museum who is hosting a Volunteer Conference for museums in the West Midlands region. Discussions are still underway for a “Reaching Communities” bid to enable a supported volunteer program.</p> <p>In addition to this CVS is in discussion with Fare Share to support statutory agencies in Donnington who use volunteers. This will involve organisations having support to develop their policies and</p>	KR ES

	<p>procedures and to train individuals in the good practice management of volunteers.</p> <p>Connexions for Youth</p> <p>Lots of new youth groups starting up and the whole youth club scene is very vibrant. A bid has been put in for training volunteer Youth Workers. GUP are looking for regional bodies to do this.</p> <p>CVS</p> <p>A Third sector tender brief has been discounted due to time constraints.</p>	
7.	Any Other Business	
8.	<p>Dates of Future Meetings</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 11th June, 9th July, 10th September, 8th October, 12th November, 10th December 2010; • 14th January, 11th February, 11th March 2011. • All at Meeting Point House, 2 – 4pm 	