



## **Thrive Trafford – Volunteer Managers Network Meeting, Friday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2018 Gorse Hill Studios, Stretford**

### **Attendees:**

- Caroline Lewis, Thrive Trafford
- Debbie Houghton, University of Manchester
- Helen Scott-Wilson, Talk Listen Change
- Jack Puller, Macc, Manchester Volunteer Centre
- Jade Morgan, Strive Volunteer
- Jenny Rae, Victim Support
- Jill Darwent, Step Together
- Julie Reilly, Partnerships & Communities, Trafford Council
- Karen Duffy, Age UK Trafford
- Kirsty Hutchinson, University of Manchester
- Marje Kelly, Gorgeous Gorse Hill
- Mark Bailey, Trafford Council
- Mark Woodland, Victims Services Coordinator GMP
- Nikki Bailey, Strive, TLC
- Shanna Lennon, Macc, Manchester Volunteer Centre
- Tom North, Being There

### **Apologies:**

- David Djordjevic, Challenge 4 Change
- Elaine Eland, St Johns Centre
- Jonny Hirst, Beating Bowel Cancer
- Kate Baldwin, The Counselling and Family Centre
- Katherine Bays, Healthwatch Trafford
- Manju Pearce, Trafford Rape Crisis
- Sue Smith, Alzheimer's Society
- Vanessa Gilliland, TDAS

### **Introduction and Updates**

Introductions from the organisations and actions were discussed from the last VMN

- **Jack Puller, Active Communities Manager from Macc, Manchester Volunteer Centre**  
Jack from Macc delivered a presentation on an Introduction to the Investing in Volunteers Accreditation, which is the UK quality standard for good practice in Volunteer Management.
- **Open Network Discussion**
- **Volunteers Week – 1<sup>st</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> June 2018 – Ideas and Activities**

VM Attendees were invited by Caroline from Thrive to discuss any ideas, opportunities, share information on what their organisation would like to do for Volunteers Week and what they had done in previous years that had been successful – see discussion notes for further details.

- **Volunteer Manager news and information share**

- Mark Woodland, Victim Services Coordinator for GMP spoke to the group about his role in Trafford and also shared his contact details for anyone wanting to make links with his service.
- Helen Scott-Wilson from Talk Listen Change spoke to the group about their free parenting course available from September, and gave contact details for anyone wanting to refer parents onto the course -  
<http://talklistenchange.org.uk/component/content/article?id=13:parenting-courses&Itemid=101>
- Jack Puller, from Macc gave updates on Greater Manchester wide programmes that Trafford organisations could get involved with including the Older People's Network, around Ambition for Ageing and the Manchester Volunteer's Week Fair running on 4<sup>th</sup> June.
- Jill Darwent, Volunteering Programme Manager from Step Together talked about the work their organisation does to help ex-offenders, disadvantaged young people and people facing homelessness into volunteering placements.
- Marje Kelly, from Gorgeous Gorse Hill spoke to the group to say they were looking for more volunteers to help with their environmental projects. **For more details and to volunteer with the group visit - <http://gorgeousgorsehill.co.uk/get-involved/>**

- **The Princes Trust Programme – Community Action Volunteering Projects Wanted**

Caroline talked the group about the Princes Trust Programme and asked the group if they had any community action projects they needed support with from young people on the programme.

**If you would like a group of managed of young volunteers for a community action project please contact Malcom Heywood, Princes Trust Team Manager on [heywoodm@manchesterfire.gov.uk](mailto:heywoodm@manchesterfire.gov.uk)**

- **National Citizen Service – Community Volunteering Projects wanted**

Caroline talked to the group about NCS and explained that they were looking for Community Projects for their teams of young people in the Summer.

**If you would like to find out more or put a community project forward, please contact Laura Wells NCS Coordinator - [laura.wells@salfordfoundation.org.uk](mailto:laura.wells@salfordfoundation.org.uk) or call 0161 787 3838 / 07415 473975**

- **AOB**

### **Agenda items for next meeting**

1. Guest Speakers
2. News, Events and Information
3. Open Networking for Volunteer Managers
4. AOB

### **Next Steps/Key Actions**

- **Action: Caroline from Thrive to forward on the presentation, and information details discussed during the meeting.**
- **Action: Invite guest speakers to talk to the group.**

### **Date and Time of Next Meeting**

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 10am to 12noon  
Venue TBC