



Trafford Volunteer Manager's Network Meeting

**Wednesday 4th December 2019 at 10:30am to 12:30am
At the Meeting Place at Trafford Ecology Park, Groundwork
Greater Manchester, Lake Road, Trafford Park**

Attendees:

- Caroline Lewis, Thrive Trafford
- David Roberts, Trafford College
- Emma Murphy, Talk Listen Change
- Jim Sales, The Counselling & Family Centre
- Julie Reilly, Trafford Partnerships & Communities
- Margaret Bamber, The Toy House
- Phillip Boardman, Victim Support
- Sandra McLennon, Trafford College

Apologies:

- Ali Savage, The Counselling & Family Centre
- Helen Hargreaves, Trafford Youth Offending Team
- Jenny Bagchi, Pure Insight
- Karen Glendinning, Age UK Trafford
- Manju Pearce, Trafford Rape Crisis
- Nikki Bailey, Strive, Talk Listen Change
- Sharon Doyle, Strive, Talk Listen Change

Minutes from the last meeting and introductions

Minutes and actions from the last meeting were discussed including GoodGym Trafford, Trafford College's bespoke volunteer training programmed for VCSEs, The Growth Company's work placement offer, WEA ESF Community Grants round 2 funding available until October 2019 and the Hideaway in Partington's 'Step Up Programme.'

- **Youth Social Action with the iWill Campaign**

Caroline from Thrive talked to the group about how their organisation could support youth social action through the iWill Campaign. Full details of the campaign were shown on video at the meeting. For full details of the Youth Social Action iWill campaign visit:

<https://www.iwill.org.uk/organisations>

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Open Discussion, Volunteer Manager news and information share

included the following items:

- **Trafford Christmas events and activities list** – Julie Reilly from the Trafford Partnership team talked to the group about the Christmas events and activities list she had circulated for the Old Trafford and Stretford area.
- **Trafford College Bespoke Volunteer Training Programme for VCSE organisations** – Sandra McClennon, Adult Community Learning presented and talked to the Group again about the college's new bespoke volunteer training programme open for VCSE groups and organisations to access as part of their community learning training courses. For further details on how to access this volunteer training programme please contact Sarah Roiditis sarah.roiditis@trafford.ac.uk or Sandra McClennon Sandra.McLennon@tcg.ac.uk
- **Trafford's Children & Adults Safeguarding Partnership Training** – full training opportunities can be found on <https://www.traffordsafeguardingpartnership.org.uk/Learning-and-development/Learning-development.aspx>
- **New Allotment project with The Counselling & Family Centre** – Jim Sales from The Counselling & Family Centre spoke to the group about the new therapeutic allotment plot the organisation has obtained to give individuals, schools and groups from the local community the opportunity to grow and cultivate fruit and veg to increase wellbeing and mental health. Jim is looking to get volunteers to help with clearing vegetation to get the plot ready for planting in the New Year. For full details and to get involved as an individual or group please contact Jim Sales on jim.sales@thecfc.org.uk
- Caroline from Thrive talked to the group about other free Webinar Training for volunteer managers and VCSEs including – 'Developing Corporate Relationships', 'Legacy Fundraising,' 'Community & Events Fundraising,' and others. Full details can be found on: <https://www.thefsi.org/services/webinar30-recordings/>
- Caroline from Thrive talked to the group about the Third Sector Trends in The North research taking place by Durham University on the Third Sector in the North and the need for responses from Trafford VCSEs as part of the survey – Open Until 10th December 2019
- Caroline from Thrive showed the group the 'Let's Talk Loneliness' website for VCSEs to promote their service and activities on the Let's Talk Loneliness website: <https://letstalkloneliness.co.uk/get-involved/>

Volunteer Manager news and information share

Future Agenda Items

AOB

Next Steps/Key Actions

Agenda items for next meeting

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

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Date: Wednesday 18th March 2020 at 1:30pm to 3:30pm in Maria Margaret Netherwood Conference Room A at Trafford Town Hall, Talbot Road, Stretford M32 0TH

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