

# Hounslow Community Network

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## HOUNSLOW COMMUNITY NETWORK (HCN): GENERAL MEETING

### AGENDA

**18.00-20.30 ON THURSDAY 15 JUNE 2017 AT THE LONDON MUSEUM OF STEAM AND WATER, GREEN DRAGON LANE, BRENTFORD, TW8 0EN**



### **FROM 17.30 FOOD AND INFORMAL NETWORKING**

HCN will pay travel costs, carer or dependent care costs for VCS reps attending HCN meetings (with a receipt). If you wish to claim expenses please contact Iain Elliott ([iain@ealingcvcs.org.uk](mailto:iain@ealingcvcs.org.uk))

### **17.30-18.00 REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION LEAFLETS**

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### **18.00-20.30 HCN GENERAL MEETING**

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#### **18.00-18.05 WELCOME, MINUTES AND APOLOGIES (MINUTES ATTACHED)**

To discuss any matters arising from the minutes of the last HCN meeting

#### **18.05-18.10 HCN MEMBERSHIP**

Iain Elliott to report on latest HCN membership and groups who have joined since the last meeting

#### **18.10-18.40 HOUNSLOW COUNCIL EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES POLICY**

Cllr Kamaljit Kaur and Celia Golden from Hounslow Council will give a presentation on the new Council Equality and Diversity Policy and Action Plan

Followed by questions and answers

#### **18.40 -19.10 HOUNSLOW COUNCIL REGENERATION WORK**

Brendon Walsh Hounslow Council Executive Director will talk about the work of his department and opportunities for VCS partnerships. He will also talk about Section 106 funding and the new Community Infrastructure Levy

Followed by questions and answers

#### **19.10-19.40 HEATHROW COMMUNITIES FUND**

Beccy Bowden will talk about the Fund, future priorities and how to apply

The Fund has three main grant streams: for community projects, for environmental projects and for youth projects

Followed by questions and answers

#### **19.40 -19.55 REVIEW OF HOUNSLOW COUNCIL GRANTS CRITERIA**

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Aine Hayes from Hounslow CPU will talk about the current consultation on future grant priorities and criteria

Followed by questions and answers

Andy Roper to report on a funding workshop with Trust for London on 11 September

## 19.55-20.25 HOUNSLOW VCS COMMISSIONING AND FUNDING

### **THERE ARE REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES FOR FUNDING AND COMMISSIONING OF THE VOLUNTARY SECTOR IN HOUNSLOW SO PLEASE DO ATTEND**

Hounslow Council is planning to make further £160,000 cuts in grants budgets from April 2018. Consultation on draft proposals are due to start from July 2017. Debbie Brenner/Andy Roper to give an update report on the process and key issues

Following a series of strategic meetings by HCN with senior Councillors and Officers the Chair/ Vice Chairs and other VCS reps to report back on:

- Next stages on the Youth Services Review
- Next stages on the review of community buildings- the latest position and requests for information and an HCN meeting with the Council lead officer
- The final new Hounslow External Funding Action Plan

**Stop Press:** On 16 May the Hounslow Cabinet received a report on the youth services review. They have agreed to commission out to the voluntary sector or other providers current in-house Council youth services (other than Hounslow Youth Counselling Service). They will also be holding further meetings with the charities who run three existing Youth Centres

Tenders for commissioned out youth services are likely to open in September. The Council has asked to meet with HCN on 7 June so we will have a lot more update information on the process and timescales at the HCN meeting

Debbie Brenner/Andy Roper to report on next stages **from the HCN 'Service Ideas Workshop' on 10 May on areas where VCS delivery could achieve savings for the Council**

Debbie Brenner to report on the review of health inequalities with Hounslow CCG

Andy Roper to report on planned HCN meetings with the new Managing Director of Hounslow CCG and with the new Hounslow Council Cabinet Member for the Voluntary Sector and Community Engagement

## 20.25-20.30 AOB AND INFORMATION EXCHANGE

An opportunity to inform other HCN members about your upcoming events or activities

### **FUTURE HCN MEETINGS 2017-PLEASE PUT THESE DATES IN YOUR DIARIES**

#### HCN Executive Board

- Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September, 10 – 12, Can Mezzanine, Conference Room A & B
- Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November, 10 – 12, Can Mezzanine, Conference Room A & B

#### HCN General Meeting

- Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> December, 10-12, Heston and District Community Centre, Vicarage Farm Road, Heston, Hounslow, TW5 0EE

Annual Conference Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November, 10:00-14:00, Isleworth Public Hall