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New Year, New Home!

We have now moved our main Bakewell office to the Agricultural Business Centre in Bakewell. As you may be aware the District Council has moved out from the Bath Street building and kindly offered us space at the ABC. We are in the office next door to the largest conference room there, where Business Link was based.

In fact Business Link still have an office within our office at the ABC, someone is generally in on a Monday. The District Council have a one-stop shop office at the ABC; it's within the Manager's Office which is nearer the Farmer's Feast café end of the building.

We are keeping our outreach office at Ashbourne within the Ashbourne Business Centre.

Other New Year news, Nikki Tugby has settled in to her new post as Community and Voluntary Sector Development Officer. Nikki is employed by the South Derbyshire CVS but is based with Derbyshire Dales CVS; she covers the Dales and the High Peak supporting groups working with Children and Young People in the High Peak and the Derbyshire Dales areas. By working in partnership with groups and organisations Nikki aims to meet the requirements of the Children's Trust by looking at issues such as training for volunteers and staff, governance and funding.

Quart and other information about DDCVS are available in larger print, in Braille or on audiotape. Please let us know if you require information in any of these formats.

Previously Nikki served thirteen years in the Royal Navy, running a number of dental clinics in service establishments and within a NHS hospital. Since leaving the armed forces, she has worked as a receptionist in a housing association and became a Housing Support Worker; where she provided support to homeless families in the Derbyshire Dales area.

To learn more about Nikki's post particularly if you are a group working with children and young people please contact her on 01629 812154, or Mobile 07518 996779 or email Nikki: nikkit@sdcv.org.uk

There is also a leaflet about Nikki's work enclosed with this mailing.

CVS News

We are pleased to say that Marion Beloe will be managing our training programme over the next period. Marion is working on a training programme at present and more details will follow. If you have any requests or ideas for training please contact Marion on 01335 348395 or email marion@ddcv.org.uk

Launch of the Children's Centre - Our Community Development Worker Caroline Stone has been busy up at the

Children's Centre at Castle View School, Matlock. There will be a launch on Friday 25th January from 10.00am until 2.00pm. The facilities at the centre are excellent; a lovely playroom with kitchen, accessible toilets with baby change facilities and a secure buggy store outside. Caroline has got a great timetable of sessions at the Centre this term including a self-esteem course, healthy eating course, family IT course and maths level 1 as well as other activities. Most courses are free and there is a free crèche. To find out more call Caroline on 01629 581867 or email her on caroline@ddcv.org.uk

New trustees for DDCVS

We are pleased to announce that we have three new trustees have joined us on the CVS Board recently – Councillor Albert Catt, Adele Metcalfe and Peter Stone. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Kate Smith and Jeff Marsh for their time with the CVS board. We have valued both their contributions.

News from our Partners

A New £10,000 Fund

Derbyshire residents are being invited to apply for a share of a new £10,000 Derbyshire County Council

fund to help them make a difference in their communities. The council is hoping the scheme will encourage community groups and local associations to talk to county councillors and officers in the early stages of discussions about issues such as village planning and climate change. It is anticipated the initial £10,000 funding pilot scheme will support around six projects.

County council cabinet member for neighbourhood services Councillor Ken Armstrong said: "Although we're out providing services for people in their own homes and communities every day, some people feel we're still out of touch with them. With that in mind we want to build on the success of our community forums and become even more involved by getting out into communities, listening to residents and helping with issues that concern them. We have staff with expertise in every county council service to help with complex areas such as transport planning or climate change issues as well as local councillors who people can always turn to for advice. There's a lot of great work going on in communities across Derbyshire and we hope the new fund will encourage organisers to come to us earlier about their ideas so we can help steer them in the right

direction to make the most of their efforts."

Money from the £10,000 pot will help community groups share and develop ideas with residents through hire of venues for meetings and producing displays, information and publicity material. The scheme has been developed as a result of new Government guidelines encouraging councils to develop their supportive 'leadership' role.

Groups who would like to know more about Derbyshire County Council's new fund can e-mail Councillor Armstrong at ken.armstrong@derbyshire.gov.uk

Funding

Youth Opportunity Fund / Youth Capital Fund: Things to do – Places to go

The aim of the youth opportunity fund is to involve young people in identifying positive activities and things to do, and to support their role as decision makers, grant givers and project leaders. They should be encouraged to consider local needs and circumstances in shaping provision for young people beyond their immediate group. The youth capital fund is to provide a discreet capital budget for a two year period to be spent

on what young people want. Young people should be actively involved in decisions, with emphasis on those who are disadvantaged, including all aspects of planning, delivery, monitoring and the evaluation of the fund.

Queries to John Rogers, Youth Service, Chatsworth Hall, Chesterfield Road, Matlock DE4 4GH Tel 01629 580000 ext 5725 or email john.rogers@derbyshire.gov.uk

A small amount of funding is still available for groups working in the Dales

Rural Solutions can help fund new projects or sustain existing groups. It is a simple application process for up to £500 funding and a quick turnaround time for decisions. Next deadlines are 31st January and 29th February 2008. For more information please contact Ella Ferris on 01773 514850.

Do you know 12 children in real need of a break?

The Harvest Trust is a charity which provides free seaside holidays for groups of disadvantaged children. The holidays are for groups of twelve children between the ages of 8 and 12, and are based at the

Trust's own holiday centre in West Wales.

All of the week-long holidays take place between April and September, and are organised in partnership with schools, community groups and child care organisations. Harvest Trust provides all accommodation, transport and admissions free of charge. Your organisation needs only buy food and provide three adult workers to accompany the children.

Application forms are available now for the 2008 holiday season. For more information and a brochure and application form please telephone 01559 371190 or visit our website at www.harvesttrust.com. Closing date for applications is 31st January 2008.

Local Voluntary Sector News

After 30 years cinema has made a welcome return to Ashbourne.

The town lost its cinema in 1976 when the last screen was pulled down at the Elite Centre in the Market Place. Thanks to the efforts of Inspector Glynn Bevan, Ashbourne Police, Steve Bull,

Mayor of Ashbourne, and Margaret Ford, Empire Club chairman, the Empire Cinema Group formed this summer with the aim of bringing cinema back to the town. With the support of sponsorship from Sainsbury's, a £300 grant from Derbyshire Dales District Council's ADDS scheme and a massive screen supplied from 'Reels on Wheels', regular showings of newly released films started this autumn at the Empire Ballroom in King Edward Street with tickets selling for around £3. The Group hopes to attract further funding and support to enable two films a week to be shown.

Andrew Lewer, Chairman of Derbyshire Dales District Council Community and Environment Committee said "I think the cinema project has got off to a good start and the District Council is pleased to be able to make this grant to assist its viability at this vital initial stage."

Focus Group For Volunteer Co-ordinator's Forum

Following a very positive response from organisations attending training sessions, the Volunteer Centre Derbyshire Dales are planning to provide regular Volunteer Co-ordinators' Forums for local organisations in

the area. The forums are aimed at a person whose role involves recruiting and supporting volunteers and will provide an opportunity to network, look at specific issues around managing volunteers and to share good practice and ideas. Our aim is that the sessions are fun, sociable and useful.

To start the process off, the Volunteer Centre will be organising a small 'focus group', drawn from a mix of various local organisations that involve volunteers. The aim of this group will be to gather your views about the format and frequency of the Forums.

If you are involved in the management/co-ordination of volunteers in the Derbyshire Dales area and would like to be involved in the focus group, or just find out more, please contact Sam Tock on 01629 810907, or sam@vcdd.org.uk by the 24th January.

NB Sam has also joined us at the ABC and has a separate office within ours.

Events

An exciting new event with a Green theme is set to take place in Sheffield in Hillsborough Park on the Bank holiday weekend of

25th / 26th of May 2008. The event - called Green City Day is intended to be an interactive showcase of healthy, environmental and ethical practises aimed at the general public. The project is a partnership between Green City Action and the Parks and Countryside department of Sheffield City Council, with additional support from the Street force department of Sheffield City Council and a marketing campaign from the Sheffield Newspapers Group. The show will be set up to engage all members of the family with the following attractions:

A huge traders / exhibitors market of services and goods for sale / hire · Activities and workshops such as making hanging baskets, bird boxes, composting, woodworking and wicker weaving, landscaping and many more · Garden display competitions and house décor presentations · Sports and healthy pursuits activities and classes · Whole food, vegan, organic and continental food stalls · A huge green maze for the kids circus skills and arts and crafts workshops and many more fun and games orientated activities · Bio fuels for the home, car and workplace · Animal and nature displays.

We are now looking for traders, workshops, activity groups, exhibitors and gardeners, etc. to compliment our existing groups and associations to bring this event to fruition. We are also looking for groups to advertise in the event programme.

If you are interested in learning more about the event or getting involved then please contact Bob Worm at Green City Action, Tel 0114 244 0353
Email
bob.worm@greencityaction.org.uk

**Amber Valley Funding Event
Tuesday 22nd January
3.00 – 7.00pm**

National and local funders including BIG Lottery Fund, Derbyshire Community Foundation, Lloyds TSB Foundation, Amber Valley Housing and Heritage Lottery Fund will be at St Joseph's Hall, Ripley. To book at 15 minute appointment with a funder please speak to Angela Quinn on 01773 512076 or Wendy Burridge on 01773 841493.

Natural England is running an Environmental Pottery Project for spring 2008. The aim of the project is to raise awareness and understanding among local communities of their natural

environment and to encourage people to look more closely at wildlife and habitats. Natural England offers a whole day's activity in a choice of two different habitats, the day is structured so that the group visits a habitat, finds out about it and then collects materials and / or draws pictures of what they find in order to create a piece of art. A local artist called Sue Mulroy will provide expertise, art material and enthusiastic guidance for creating our pottery art work.

Natural England would particularly like to offer the day to groups who may have difficulty in accessing the countryside or who are disadvantaged in any way. The project is free and group transport can be provided. For more information please speak to Ann McNeill, Community and Education Officer at Natural England on 01629 816640 or email ann.mcneill@defra.gsi.gov.uk

Derbyshire Children and Young People's Trust next event

The next road-show event in this area is on 20th February, 9.30 – 12.30 at Buxton Methodist Church Hall. The event will focus on -

- Youth Opportunity Fund, the money available and how to apply
- Common Assessment Framework

- Update from the Children's Trust
- Quality Assurance

To book your place please contact Alexandra Ormston on 01773 744741 Ext 234 or email alexandra.ormston@derbyshire.gov.uk

Advance notice of District Council Forums – local residents will have the chance to have their say at the next round of Area Community Forums being held in March:

Northern 3rd March, venue tbc,
Central 10th March at Wirksworth Village Hall
Southern 17th March, venue tbc.

Training

Free Anti-Discrimination Training

Chesterfield Law Centre is running a series of 8 training sessions aimed at encouraging employers to break down the barriers that discrimination causes in the workplace. The seminars, funded by Awards for All and Derbyshire Community Foundation, will take place across North Derbyshire between September 07 and March 08 and will cover many areas of anti-discrimination law. The programme follows on from a successful series of seminars run



by the Law Centre earlier this year. The trainer for all the sessions is Hilary Nelson, an independent trainer who worked as an employment lawyer with Sheffield Law Centre for 10 years where she regularly dealt with discrimination claims on behalf of employees.

The courses variously cover disability, gender, race, age, sexual orientation discrimination and there will also be sessions on parents' rights, tackling bullying and dealing with stress in the workplace. For course information or bookings, please contact Anne Frazer or Teresa Waldron at the Law Centre on 01246 550674 or email at teresa.waldron@chesterfieldlawcentre.org.uk.

Derbyshire County Council is offering free training to organisations in; Introduction to social care, Adult protection, Child protection, to name just a few. For more information contact Jacqui Key on 01773 728245.

That's it for this time - our next newsletter mailing will be in April 2008. If you would like to subscribe to any of our email bulletins please contact Sarah Paisley at DDCVS. Please return this page to Janet Smith if the details for your organisation have

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