

Voluntary Action

Chiltern & South Bucks

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Voluntary and Community Sector Annual Conference
3rd March - Reserve your place today

As previously announced, our annual Voluntary & Community Sector Conference, 'Surviving and Thriving' will be held on Wednesday, 3rd March at Latimer Place near Chesham.

Debra Allcock Tyler, Chief Executive of the Directory of Social Change will be our keynote speaker and workshops will be available on:

- 1) What's Important when Representing the Voluntary Sector
- 2) IT Security—Survival in the Digital Era
- 3) How to Write Compelling Marketing Words
- 4) Governance Code
- 5) Planning your Fundraising Strategy
- 6) Health Checks : Building Bucks Project
- 7) Volunteers with Expert Skills
- 8) How to Build a Free Website
- 9) Make your Volunteering Opportunities Sizzle

Last year we were very oversubscribed and unfortunately had to turn some people away so please book early to avoid disappointment. A discount is available for those who book before 1st February.

[Click here for more information and booking form](#)

Need Trustees?

Update our Volunteer Centre with your openings NOW

Register your current trustee/committee vacancies as our new Trustee Recruitment Campaign starts now. We will be working hard to recruit potential trustees for organisations like yours. We are raising the profile of trusteeship through a wide variety of work including; articles in the media; communications in buildings and facilities across the county; working with the business community and young people and much more. We are working with the NCVO and the other Volunteer Centres in Buckinghamshire.

For more information on how to register or update your opportunities email our Volunteer Centre at joy@voluntaryaction.org or call on 01895 837545

Do you have a project that could use the skills of Employees who wish to donate their time?

Volunteer Workout enables businesses to fulfil their Corporate Social Responsibility policy through donating their knowledge, skill and time to not for profit organisations who need the support of local, commercial businesses to supply what they can't afford.

We would like to invite charities with a project or skill based need to a breakfast networking meeting on Thursday 4th February at D&B UK & Ireland Head Office, Marlow International, Parkway, Marlow, Buckinghamshire, SL7 1AJ. Starting at 7.30am - 9.00am, you will have a few minutes to describe your project to the businesses that are interested in Employee Supported Volunteering. Please email office@voluntaryaction.org or call 01895 837545 to register.

Have your say on plans to increase community cohesion in Chiltern

Chiltern District Council are consulting until 15 March 2010 on their draft Chiltern Community Cohesion Plan 2010/12. The plan outlines how the Council in partnership with a broad range of local organisations aims to work and support communities to develop and improve local services and facilities over the next three years. For the draft plan and consultation feedback form see

<http://www.chiltern.gov.uk/communitycohesion>.

Questions or Comments to Paul Nanji at pnanji@chiltern.gov.uk:

Community development degree course

Part Time at High Wycombe Campus of Bucks New University. Contact Vicki Williams on 01494 603171 or email health@bucks.ac.uk for details and an application pack. You can also visit www.bucks.ac.uk for general info.

Grant Money Available FOR SOUTH BUCKS

A reminder that Buckinghamshire Foundation makes grants to local Groups and Associations, with a maximum grant of £5,000 per group, invites fresh applications from interested local groups.

Written applications should be in the hands of the Committee by 18 FEBRUARY. For more information contact baldev.dhillon@tiscali.co.uk