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Health & Wellbeing Organisations Network (H&WBN)

Wednesday 12 June 2024

**Attendance:**

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**Welcome, Introductions, Minutes of Last Meeting:**

Chair opened the meeting and welcomed everyone. It was agreed minutes of last meeting were accurate and true.

Apologies from Andrew Greeney (Forward Trust) and Danny Woodworth (Merseyside Sport).

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| **Introduction from Alison Hill (Interim CEO LCVS) LCVS Survey**  Alison introduced herself as the interim CEO at LCVS.  She promoted the survey that LCVS have been running to check in with the sector to make sure we are delivering services that meet the needs of those we support. We are also looking into some potential new services, including new IT support services.  The deadline to fill in the survey was Friday 14 June 2024, and the link was shared in the chat. | Alison Hill |  |
| **Feedback from LCVS re Strategic Group**  Richard provided an update from the Strategic Leads Forum (please see minutes of latest meeting attached below for more information).  The group discussed the function of the VCFSE Health and Wellbeing Network structure. The Strategic Group and HWON should feed into each other with a clear flow of information, and it was acknowledged that this is not working as intended.  There was also a discussion on the Health and Wellbeing grant (see mins of Strategic Group for more information). | Richard Davies |  |
| **Liverpool City Council – New Neighbourhood Model**  Liverpool City Council have introduced a new Neighbourhood Model, where the city is divided into 13 Neighbourhoods. Each neighbourhood is led by a manager, and Adam introduced himself as one of the Neighbourhood Managers. Working at neighbourhood level allows for a deeper dive on that local area, giving a better opportunity to give residents a voice, understand their needs, and create clear strategic priorities and aims to address the root causes of issues.  Slides shared below, as well as a list of Neighbourhood Managers and Wards, and a list of thematic leads. | Adam Howard |  |
| **Irish Community Care – Renewing Roots**  Ciaran introduced himself as a specialist caseworker for the Renewing Roots programme. The programme is offered by Fréa and provides free and confidential support to former residents of Ireland’s Mother and Baby and County Home Institutions and their families.  Support offered includes accessing birth information/early life records, tracing services, counselling and access to the Irish Government’s payment scheme.  Slides shared below include indicators that a service user might be a former resident, for signposting purposes.  Contact [renewingroots@frea.org.uk](mailto:renewingroots@frea.org.uk) for more information. | Ciaran Connolly |  |
| **UKSPF Digital Connectivity for Community Facilities Grant Programme**  Steph promoted the UKSPF Digital Connectivity grant programme, specifically for improving public-use IT facilities.  This fund has now closed, but another round is due to launch in mid-September.  More information here: [UK Shared Prosperity Fund Digital Grants | (volamerseyside.org.uk)](https://volamerseyside.org.uk/ukspfgrants/)  **The Ellie Trust Grant Programme**  LCVS is administering a grant programme on behalf of The Ellie Trust for local voluntary sector services in Liverpool and Merseyside to support the physical and mental health of women and children who have suffered domestic violence.  The deadline to apply is Friday 28 June.  More information here: [The Ellie Trust Domestic Violence Grants Programme | (lcvs.org.uk)](https://www.lcvs.org.uk/funding/provided-or-managed-by-lcvs/the-ellie-trust-domestic-violence-grants-programme/)  **Housing Insecurity Research Project**  This project aims to explore local authority strategies for reducing housing insecurity among families with children to develop a picture of current experiences of housinginsecurity, the factors thatdrive housing insecurity and what information would help local authorities to provide better support to at-risk families.  For more information, contact Ellie Holding at Sheffield University, [E.Holding@sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:E.Holding@sheffield.ac.uk) or speak to Steph. | Steph Gregory |  |
| **Information Exchange & Members Update**  **GoodGym Liverpool:** Offer volunteering opportunities to help do some good in the community whilst keeping fit and meeting others. Members of the public can sign up to volunteer for free and tasks can involve a variety of things such as gardening, packing parcels, cleaning, outdoor work and painting.  If you know anyone who could benefit from volunteering or have any tasks you could use some help with, feel free to contact Ema at [ema@goodgym.org](mailto:ema@goodgym.org)  More information available here: [GoodGym - Do Good, Get Fit | Liverpool](https://www.goodgym.org/v3/areas/liverpool)  **Merseyside Polonia:** Coordinating Liverpool European Festival with partners in the city. This comprises a series of community driven events promoting European culture, heritage and languages. The festival began on 9 May and continues through to 30 June.  More information available here: [Liverpool European Festival – Celebrating European Heritage](https://liverpooleuropeanfestival.com/)  Merseyside Polonia focuses on support for the Polish Community, improving service delivery through partnership with local services and increasing cultural awareness among the local population. If you know of anyone that could benefit from their services, feel free to get in touch.  **Torus Foundation:** Health and Wellbeing team has two new officers in the Liverpool area. They are looking to work with other organisations to put on community-based projects and engage with the wider community and not just tenants.  Feel free to contact Dave if you are interested in working together.  **Soroptimist International:** This is a non-religious, global volunteer organisation that works to advance human rights and the status of women and girls.  To raise awareness and take action to end violence against women and girls, the 25th of each month is observed as “Orange the World Day.” An Orange Café coffee morning event is being held on 25th June, 10:30am – 12:30pm at Dunelm in Garston (L19 5NY).  More information available here: [SI Liverpool | SI Liverpool | SIGBI](https://sigbi.org/liverpool/)  **Transform Lives Company:** Help people to find work through employment programmes in different places around Liverpool. They are looking to reach out a bit more to engage with groups of people who may want to explore work.  May be able to come in and deliver their offer to your service users and could be tailored to address specific barriers to work. Get in touch with Lauren if interested.  **Life Rooms:** Help service users to improve their mental and physical wellbeing. Bernadette shared a number of useful links, included below:  [Learning - The Life Rooms](https://www.liferooms.org/learning)  [Events Calendar - The Life Rooms](https://www.liferooms.org/about-us/events/events-calendar)  [Support - The Life Rooms](https://www.liferooms.org/support) | Ema Quinn  Dagmara Wojciechowicz  David Milburn  Dorcas Akeju  Lauren Bailey-Rhodes  Bernadette McGrath |  |
| **AOB:**  It was agreed contact details from this meeting can be shared.  If you would like to speak/present information about your organisation and its activities at a future H&W network meeting, please contact Steph and Becky on the email below. | All  All |  |
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Date of next meeting: Wednesday 11th September, 10am – 12noon.

Zoom link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88690669137?pwd=OHVUNHFHcXN4V2IwSFp5N3YxdTVIZz09>

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