

Cardiff Third Sector Council Annual General Meeting

Minutes of the meeting held on Friday 31 January 2014 at 1.00 pm at County Hall, Cardiff

Attendees

C3SC Board Members

Ed Cole Friends of Nant Fawr Community Woodland

Gerry Puttock ACE Cardiff
Judith John Homestart
Michael Flynn Diverse Cymru

Nick Corrigan Media Academy Cardiff

Reynette Roberts Oasis

Sujatha Thaladi The Mentor Ring

Karen Jones University of Glamorgan

Apologies received from Board Members

Richard Edwards Roger Bone Terry Price

C3SC Staff

Sheila Hendrickson-Brown (SHB) Chief Officer

Adam Rees Cluster Manager ECLP (C1st)

Anne McDonough
Suzy Youngman (Minutes)
Caroline Hardy
Katie Mallam
Administrator
Administrator
Third Sector Officer
Third Sector Officer

Kevin Rahman-Daultrey Third Sector Officer / Health & Social Care Network

Nia Fussell Families and Young People Officer

Peter Griffiths Third Sector Officer

Phil Stevens Policy and Service Manager

Rowena Shaw Information Officer
Thoria Mohamed Third Sector Officer

Katie Cooke Co-creating Healthy Change Portfolio Coordinator

Jacqueline Jones Long Term Conditions Alliance Facilitator

Karen Smith Family Liaison Officer Elaine Joseph Family Liaison Officer

Caroline Hardy Families and Schools Officer

Joseph Champion Communication and Participation Officer

Rob Green Economy Officer

Anthony Britto Senior Development Officer

Max BayntumAdministratorGinger WeigandEmployment OfficerHelen GreenHealth Services OfficerSteven HoneywillSenior Development Officer

Apologies received from staff

Gareth Hicks Jobs Growth Wales Mentor Janet Marks Family Liaison Officer Peter Croall Family Liaison Officer

Sian Johns Co-Creating Health Change Administrator

Howard Dobson Administrator

Rachael Barry Widening Access to Learning Officer

C3SC Member Organisations

Yvonne Apsitis 50+ Forums Roger Warren Evans Asylum Justice

Betty Campbell BEATS

Carole Fox Butetown Community Action Association

Siva Sivapalan Cardiff Minority Ethnic Elders

Janice Partridge Cardiff People First John Fellows Channel View TRA

Bill Mosely Friends of Cathays Cemetery

Michelle Brown Gingerbread Roger Edwards Innovate Trust

Kevin Chubb ISSA

Jenny Dowell Pedal Power
Sybil Williams Pedal Power
Rez Jamal Race Equality First
Clive Bates Rainbow of Hope
David Morgan Rainbow of Hope

Vimla Patel Sanatan Dharma Mandaland Hindu Community Centre
Allan Herbert South Riverside Community Development Centre

Elaine Ballard Taff Housing Association
Janice Bell Taff Housing Association

Cat Johnston Tenovus Katie Taylor Tenovus Jeremy Rees VCS

Althea Collymore Welsh Refugee Council

Non-members

Ali Baig Cardiff Council

Clive Curtis VCVS
Judith Latham Girl Guides

Margaret McLaughlin Cardiff and Vale University Health Board

Samina Khan Cardiff and Vale College

Invited Guests

Anthony Wilkes UKIED

Megan David Energy Saving Trust Paul Dear Welsh Government

Apologies

Emily Rose Cardiff and the Vale University Health Board

Helen Marchant Citizens Advice Cymru Jane Harries Alternatives to Violence

Linda Pritchard VCVS

Nicola Campbell WEA South Wales Pearl Hale Hafod Housing

Phil Vining AGE Connects Cardiff and the Vale

Salah Mohammed Welsh Refugee Council

Tracey Bancroft Play on the Move

The following organisations had exhibition stands:

City of Sanctuary
Co-Creating Healthy Change
Communities First
Energy Saving Trust
UKIED

University of South Wales Legal Advice Centre

1. Welcome and Housekeeping

SHB opened the AGM and welcomed all present.

2. Anthony Wilkes, UKIED

Anthony Wilkes from UK Investor in Equality and Diversity (E & D) provided an overview of the benefits of delivering best practice in Equality and Diversity, noting that too often E & D is regarded primarily as a cost and not an investment. He emphasised the value of organisations achieving a charter mark and talked about the various benefits of investing in Equality and Diversity for the employee, employer and sector, particularly in such a challenging economic climate when budgetary decisions in the delivery of particularly public services can result in significant impacts on different communities.

Questions were taken from the floor, including on the costs and value of E&D accreditation and the importance of Equality Impact Assessments.

3. Paul Dear, Welsh Government

Paul Dear welcomed the opportunity to speak to the meeting and discussed the Welsh Government 'Third Sector Scheme' which sets out ways in which the WG can engage with and support the Third Sector, which has recently been informed by the outcomes of the WG 'Continuity and Change' consultation. He discussed the importance of recognising the third sector exists in its own right, but also the significant areas of overlap between WG and third sector priorities. He spoke about the WG's anti-poverty agenda which places vulnerable groups at the centre of policy-making, and recognised the contribution of the Third Sector to anti-poverty delivery to date.

Questions were taken from the floor, including on the WG's continuing commitment to the third sector and how this will be reflected in its future, including funding, arrangements

4. Sheila Hendrickson-Brown

Sheila Hendrickson-Brown spoke about C3SC's role and emphasised that working in partnership offers a positive way forward for the third sector, noting SHB but recognised

that this not without its challenges. She described how C3SC is working more with its infrastructure partners in the Vale (VCVS) and with the Volunteer Bureau, Cardiff (VCS). She noted that one of C3SC's main roles is to create opportunities for collaborative working, and also outlined C3SC's role in influencing and representation - including through the C3SC networks - and the provision of support and advice on governance, funding and topics of interest to the sector. She highlighted that C3SC will be running a series of events in the following week offering opportunities for training and discussion on issues such as governance, diversifying funding and commissioning.

SHB concluded by encouraging the organisations represented at the AGM to "be creative and innovative as a sector" and reiterated that C3SC is here to support its members, particularly during challenging times.

SHB then introduced the commencement of official AGM business

5. Nick Corrigan, Board's Report and Welcome

NC discussed ways of making the third sector's work, especially that with vulnerable groups, more visible through connections with the WG, the County Council and partnership working.

NC also reported on C3SC's successes to date including year on year increases in visits to the website – over 52,000 in the last year – and levels of funding advice provided, and 99% satisfaction rate reported by attendees on the range of training courses. NC encouraged members and non-members to provide feedback on what support is needed, advising that C3SC is committed to hearing and responding to the views, needs and interests from the third sector and partners.

NC concluded by inviting attendees to book on to C3SC's programme of free training and workshops in the week 03rd Feb-07th Feb.

6. AGM: official business

- (i) SHB welcomed attendees to the AGM and directed people to the red and blue voting cards in their packs, noting that members, including one representative from member organisations, were eligible to vote.
- (ii) **First resolution:** 3.30 pm. Minutes from last year's AGM were not available for approval. The assembly accepted the proposal (from SHB) that the minutes be circulated on Monday 03rd February 2014 to all attendees and expected attendees for approval by members.
- (iii) **Trustee resolutions:** 3.35 pm. SHB invited James Davies and Ed Cole to step down from the board and Richards Edwards and Michael Flynn to stand for re-election.
 - Richard Edwards' resignation and re-election proposed by Jeremy Rees, seconded by Sujatha Thaladi and supported by a majority vote from the floor
 - Michael Flynn's resignation and re-election proposed by Betty Campbell, seconded by Reynette Roberts and supported by a unanimous vote from the floor.
- (iv) **Presentation of Accounts:** *3.40 pm.* MH presented the **2012-2013** Annual Accounts. She directed the group to page 6 of 'Maniffesto' (in the delegate packs), noting the adjustments to the accounts following the annual audit. She confirmed the increase in income from the previous financial year was due to the expansion of

the Welsh Government funded Communities First project and the commencement of the Big Lottery funded Co-creating Healthy Change project, noting the continued value of but decreasing reliance on core funding.

MH thanked all funders on behalf of C3SC and the trustees for their support. MH asked the group to approve the presentation on the accounts. This was approved.

It was noted that the final draft of the audited accounts were not available. The motion that the final accounts (2012-3013) be circulated on Monday 03rd February 2014 to all attendees and expected attendees - for approval by members - was proposed by Bill Mosely, and seconded by Roger Warren Evans.

SHB thanked the assembly for their attendance and participation, C3SC's trustees and funders for their continued support and the staff for their contribution to organising and supporting the AGM.

SHB closed the proceedings at 3.45pm.