

Notes of CCEN Executive Board meeting held on Tuesday 21 April 2009

Present: Nasim Ali, Ruth Appleton, Anju Bhatt, Sarah Elie, Simone Hensby, Charlie Legg, Shelagh O'Connor, John Shaw, Pat Stack, Peter Ward, Hayley Watts

Also present: Linda Fergusson

1.	<p>Apologies Lincoln Lim, Donna Turnbull</p>	
2.	<p>CCEN Papers</p>	
	<p>a) Minutes Minutes were agreed <u>Matters Arising</u> Item 2b) SE asked about the follow up on empty premises and what was happening about asset transfer and would this be at market rent? SH said that there had been a consultation seminar on Premises and Asset Transfer recently. Camden would be looking at market rent</p> <p>Item 2d) Camden Town Vision Report to LSP did talk a lot about the VCS after DT had raised the issue of VCS contribution being left out of the written report</p> <p>Item 2g) Social Cohesion Forum This was cancelled and has been rescheduled for 27 April AB asked about the Preventing Violent Extremism funding – who got the funding and what outcomes are they addressing?</p> <p>b) CCEN Funding SH informed members that the funding for CCEN had been cut by 25%. After consultation with DT and LF it had been agreed that staff hours be cut from 5 days per week to 4 days.</p> <p>There followed a discussion about funding cuts in general with SO mentioning that Camden Youth & Connexions funding had been bought over for 6 months when a new round of bids would take place. Groups had been given only 1 week to consult on this. Youth & Connexions meets with Camden funded VCS youth providers 4 times a year to discuss issues etc but the April meeting has been cancelled and no alternative date given.</p> <p>c) CCEN Workplan In depth discussion on the workplan was postponed until DT available but there was a general discussion about the effectiveness of the CCEN work to date.</p> <p>The majority of members felt that CCEN impact on LSP had improved but that it all took time.</p> <p>CL suggested that CCEN work with other networks outside of the LSP SH informed members that CCEN's remit is to work specifically with LSP. DT worked closely with the other networks who are all linked in to the other strategic partnerships on Camden</p>	<p>Letter to be sent on behalf of the CCEN Board requesting this information</p>

	<p>PS felt that it would be useful to have a list of people who attended the CCEN seminars and feedback from them</p> <p>LF informed members that DT was in the process of doing such a report combining the information from all the seminars held during 2008 – 09</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CCEN should not be just reactive to LSP agenda – it should promote the VCS and put a strong case for LSP to support an environment in which the VCS could flourish • Outreach , seminars etc are more proactive • Work closely with other networks – offer them a meeting with CCEN to discuss issues • Produce a diagram of all partnerships and networks and name and contact details of VCS representatives 	<p>DT report on seminars to be circulated</p> <p>Diagram of partnerships/networks and list of VCS reps on these to be circulated</p>
3.	LSP Papers	
	SH asked for a volunteer to attend the LSP as one of the reps could not attend – PW agreed to attend	
3.3	<p>Comprehensive Area Assessment</p> <p>LF informed members that she had tried to get this paper for the meeting but had been told it would not be available until this afternoon (21/04/09). Members were concerned that they were unable to consider this report which would be quite lengthy and very important</p>	Raise the issue of the lateness of this report at LSP
3.4	<p>Community Strategy Progress Report – Benefiting from Culture and Leisure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1.5 CL raised concern that figures for volunteering in 2008/9 were unavailable. HW explained that these figures come from the OPM bi annual survey • SO concerned about volunteering opportunities for young people in relation to the Olympics. HW informed members that Greater London Volunteering are leading on the issue of volunteers for the Olympics. In Camden there are no clear plans about volunteering and the Olympics but people are being encouraged to volunteer now so can get training to be ready for any opportunities nearer the time for the Olympics • SO asked what was happening in other boroughs? HW informed members that Greater London Volunteering were doing some work on this <p>AB was concerned that the report did not mention culture and cohesion – especially as instances of race hate crime are on the increase.</p> <p>CL felt it would be useful to have DT’s contribution to the report alongside the actual LSP report to identify what VCS groups were saying about problems and difficulties they faced</p> <p>Members felt that these ‘Progress reports’ should follow a format showing</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • what they set out to achieve? • How far down the line are they now? • What else needs to be done ? • What are the challenges? 	<p>Raise issue of cohesion at LSP</p> <p>DTs contribution to LSP reports to be circulated with relevant LSP report for information</p> <p>Suggest format for progress reports</p>

3.5	<p>Compact for Camden People felt this was very clear report. SE felt the report was very clear on the VCS areas but felt that the statutory bodies perception needed changing and how could VCS bring this about? CL suggested we work with GoL LSP officer SH informed members that GoL had an officer who was lead on Compact and that she would be a better person to contact</p>	<p>SH to contact GoL Compact officer to raise concerns re statutory bodies commitment to Compact.</p>
3.6	<p>Climate Change Update RA asked about the risk assessment issue (3.8/3.9) – her estate is subject to flooding due to inadequate drainage of the heath. CL noted that there were no Housing Associations listed in the membership of the proposed Alliance Advisory Board SE wanted to know how to go about measuring an organisations Carbon footprint – SH informed members that KN at VAC was a member of the Climate Change Alliance and had a contact from this group who could assist in measuring a group’s carbon footprint</p>	<p>Request for a ‘crib sheet’ for VCS around this issue and what they can do to reduce their carbon footprint</p>
3.7	<p>Health & Wellbeing Board Proposals SH explained that the Health & Wellbeing Board would bring together the work of Public Health Partnership – which had members from VCS, service providers, LBC and the PCT - and the Health & Adult Social Care Advisory Group which has representation from the VCS</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Members felt that there need to be clear guidelines about how other networks - such as QUILT - would feed in issues and concerns and receive feedback on these. • Members felt that it should be made clear how the VCS reps would be elected – through the new Health and Social Care Forum and Health Inequalities Forum. 	
3.9	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p>	
4.	<p>Information Exchange None (due to time constraints)</p>	
5.	<p>Any Other Business None (due to time constraints)</p>	
6	<p>Date of next meeting Next LSP Business meeting is Thursday 21 April at 10.30am Next CCEN meeting timetabled for 19 May but is subject to alteration</p>	