

Papers for the

Redbridge Voluntary Sector Network

This month: Place-Based Community Organisations

5.30 to 6.30pm, Wednesday 14 November 2018

Gloucester and York Rooms, Redbridge Central Library, Clements Rd, Ilford IG1 1EA

Please note that this month's meeting takes place at a different time from the usual one.

The meeting will be followed at 6.45pm by RedbridgeCVS's AGM.

Agenda

1. Introduction and apologies
2. Minutes of last meeting, matters arising
3. Reports from voluntary sector representatives
4. **Place-Based Community Organisations**
Speaker: Keith White, Mill Grove
5. Any other business
6. Next meeting: 1pm, Wednesday 12 December, York Room, Redbridge Central Library, Clements Rd, Ilford IG1 1EA

More information

If you have any questions, contact Colin Wilson on 020 3874 4135 or at colin@redbridgecvs.net

Anyone involved with a voluntary or community sector group which is based in Redbridge or works with Redbridge people is welcome to attend Network meetings – just come along!

Minutes of the Redbridge Voluntary Sector Network

10 October 2018

1. Present

- Jon Abrams, One Place East
- Alan Banner, Redbridge Pensioners Forum
- Angela Banner, Redbridge Pensioners Forum
- Jenny Colclough, Sea Rangers
- S.H. Granditer, King of Hearts
- Kate Harrison, One Place East
- Cllr. M. Javed, Redbridge Council
- Deborah Sampson
- Wendy Taylor, Ilford Homeless Drop-in
- Sarah Tranter, Redbridge Council
- Richard Turner, Action on Hearing Loss
- Bojana Vojinovic, Volunteer Centre Redbridge
- Colin Wilson, RedbridgeCVS
- Lynette Jackman, RedbridgeCVS

2. Introductions and Apologies

Colin welcomed everyone to the meeting and introduced Sarah Henderson from the British Red Cross, London Emergency Response Team.

3. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from:

- Vera Hunt, Redbridge Voluntary Care
- Gill Wendelken, Saint Francis Hospice
- Ross Diamond, RedbridgeCVS

4. Minutes of the Previous Meeting

Minutes of the last meeting were approved.

5. Matters Arising

Rocket Science Presentation

The presentation by Rocket Science about their survey of the local voluntary sector will be available on our website shortly.

Primary Care Update

Angela Banner raised the issue regarding how the number of GPs can be increased, as there was no further information available at the meeting. Colin said he would speak with Ross regarding this. Cllr Javed said that there is a meeting tonight of the Health Committee at 7.15pm.

Local Health Issues

It was suggested that we have a meeting on local

health issues such as the lack of doctors in the borough and why they don't want to practice here, and also the fact that people receiving health care are being challenged about their immigration status.

6. Reports from Voluntary Sector Representatives

Safeguarding Adults Board

Colin passed on information from Ross Diamond, who represents the voluntary sector at Safeguarding Adults Board. At its most recent meeting, the board discussed its annual report. This will be more detailed than previously, and will address some key local and national issues.

Self-Neglect and Hoarding Protocol

A protocol around self-neglect and hoarding has been produced by the Safeguarding Adults Board. One attendee mentioned a house in their area that has a lot of newspapers in its porch – should this be reported to someone? Colin later checked the protocol, which suggests that hoarding becomes a problem if it stops people using the home for normal purposes or makes it dangerous, or if it causes distress or impairs a person's working or social life.

7. Community Resilience

Sarah thanked everyone for attending the meeting and hoped to be working with everyone during her project. She explained that she manages a group of volunteers who respond to incidents all over London. These include major incidents like the Grenfell fire, but also small ones involving only a few buildings. For example, they might respond to a power outage in a street where there are vulnerable people. Their mission is to provide practical and emotional support to anyone who is affected by an incident.

Sarah will be working across three boroughs – Barking & Dagenham, Redbridge and Waltham Forest – trying to implement a more cohesive approach to disaster planning.

The Red Cross want to ascertain what skills local groups have that would be helpful in the event of a major emergency. They will provide training and capacity building, building better communication links between the local authority, blue light services and community groups. They want to ensure in particular that their project works for community groups.

Community groups and their members will be part of the planning for, the delivery of and the evaluation of this project. The Council's emergency planning officer

and their team will also become involved at a later stage of the project's work.

Attendees took part in group discussion about what disasters had occurred in the borough over the last ten years, and what organisations and individuals would be of assistance in the event of an emergency.

After today's introductory session there will be further events and meetings as part of the project. RedbridgeCVS will be one of the organisations involved, and will publicise the project's activities through eNews and Twitter.

8. Any Other Business

None.

9. Next Meeting

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