

Spring Programme 2019

**Workshops
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Bavs

Working for social change

BAVS supports the development of the third sector in Berwickshire. Our programme is for volunteers, staff and trustees from community groups, village halls, charities and social enterprises. Although priority is given to the third sector in Berwickshire, we welcome participants from outwith the county and from other sectors.

Workshops and Information Sessions

All our workshops are run by experienced trainers with considerable third sector knowledge. Sessions are free, unless otherwise stated. If there is a fee for a workshop this is to cover the cost of an associated trainer. Tea and coffee are provided at all sessions. Lunch is provided where stated.

Networking Forums

Networking forums provide an opportunity for practitioners with shared interests to meet, share information and learn from one another. All our networking forums, including our Bacon Butty Blethers, are free.

As well our programme, we may put on extra workshops and information sessions throughout the year. These will be advertised through our newsletter and on Facebook.

All events will be held at Berwickshire Housing Association, 55 Newtown Street, Duns, TD11 3AU unless otherwise stated.



Bacon Butty Blether - Chirnside Community Hall

Friday 8th March, 10am-noon

Our regular informal get together held in different village halls across Berwickshire. Come along, network, have a bacon butty and catch up with new friends and old.

✓ Neal Bennison, Funding Officer from the National Lottery Community Fund will be attending. He will be available to talk to anyone interested in applying for lottery funding.

✓ Moira Anderson from What Matters Hubs will give a talk about how the hubs have been working in Berwickshire and ideas for new pop-up hubs in village halls.



Information Session: The ACOSVO network for third sector leaders

Thursday 21st March, 1.30pm-4pm

Join Pat Armstrong, ACOSVO Chief Executive, for an informal, peer support, networking event for third sector leaders. Pat will give some information about ACOSVO and its services before discussions about the opportunities and challenges of third sector leadership.



We've had a great response to our window display highlighting statistics from Joseph Rowntree Foundation and The Trussell Trust about poverty in Britain – if you have any suggestions for future awareness raising campaigns please let us know.



Workshop: Promote your Community Group or Village Hall using Facebook



Tuesday 26th March, 10am-1.30pm, £20 Lunch provided

A practical workshop on how to promote your charity, community group or village hall using Facebook. Find out how to publicise your services, activities and events free by creating a page and keeping it up to date.

Workshop: Emergency First Aid at Work

Wednesday 24th April, 9am-4pm, Southfield Community Centre, Duns, £45 (£20 subsidised rate for village halls) Lunch provided

This certificated course is designed for people who want to receive training in emergency first aid. It is especially suited for nominated first aiders in smaller, low risk, working or volunteering environments.

Workshop: Chairing Meetings

Thursday 9th May, 10am-12.30pm

A practical workshop to look at how we can improve the quality of meetings through more effective chairing. The session will explore the differences between chairing formal meetings, committee meetings for example, and facilitating less formal meetings, such as a team meeting. We will also look at some of the challenges chairs face during a meeting and how they can overcome these. The workshop will be interactive with group-work/games and a chance for you to try out new techniques.

Vision for Eyemouth

A Vision for Eyemouth **V4E**

Monday 13th May, 4pm-6pm, The Hippodrome, Eyemouth

Vision for Eyemouth gathering is an open public meeting, anyone is welcome to share work and ideas. The format of the meeting is informal. There will be tea, cake and an opportunity to hear what people are doing in the area. The session will provide opportunities to network and share ideas.

Workshop: Charity Accounting in Small/Medium Charities

Thursday 23rd May, 10am-1.30pm, £40 (£20 subsidised rate for village halls) Lunch provided

This workshop is aimed at treasurers, trustees and those responsible for finance in small/medium sized charities. It offers essential guidance for those who want more knowledge of the roles and responsibilities of trustees in relation to charity finances, and to gain practical advice on maintaining accounting records and producing charity accounts that will be accepted by The Scottish Charity Regulator (OSCR).

Berwickshire Employability Forum

Wednesday 27th May, 10am -12 noon

Come along and find out about new developments within our area around employability and welfare support, an opportunity for information sharing and networking purposes. Speaker to be confirmed.

Berwickshire Equality and Diversity Network

Tuesday 4th June, 10am-noon

A new networking forum for anyone interested in improving awareness of equality and diversity issues in our communities. At this session we will discuss what the aim and role of the network should be, as well as discussing potential ideas for events to be held in Berwickshire during Scottish Borders Diversity Week in September.



Workshop: Minute Taking (for the disinterested)

Wednesday 12th June, 10am-12.30pm

Does anyone enjoy taking minutes? Are they always necessary? This short course will help you explore what constitutes a good meeting minute – what should be included, what shouldn't and how to ensure actions and decisions are clearly recorded. During the course we will look at different styles of templates used to record minutes.



Bacon Butty Blether - Coldstream Community Centre

Thursday 13th June, 10am-noon

Our regular informal get together held in different village halls across Berwickshire. Come along, network, have a bacon butty and catch up with new friends and old. At this event we have a speaker coming from The Scottish Parliament Outreach team. The main aim of the team is to help build relationships between people and Parliament, helping community groups bring their lived experience in to decision-making in Parliament.



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba



Berwickshire Connections Third Sector Gathering

Tuesday 8th October, Volunteer Hall, Duns

Details to follow!

Tailored Governance Training for Trustees

We can provide tailored training to new and existing boards. Training can be adapted to meet the learning needs of your board. We are happy to travel to you and can deliver weekend or evening training.

This training could include:

- Becoming a Scottish Charitable Incorporated Organisation (SCIO)
- Roles and responsibilities of being a Trustee
- Measuring social impact
- Committee skills, eg, running effective meetings, minute taking, chairing skills.



For more information and an initial discussion, please contact Jenny Haines on 01361 883137 or e-mail jenny.haines@bavs.org.uk

For further information or to book a place on an event, please visit

www.bavs.org.uk/training or call 01361 883137

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