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Welcome to our October newsletter

Information sheet to the faith community and the wider community serving Poole, Bournemouth and the surrounding area.

If you have been passed this newsletter by a friend or colleague, and would like to receive your own copy on a regular basis, please contact Michelle Brett to be added to the distribution list. Similarly, if you no longer wish to receive the newsletter, please contact Michelle to be removed from the list (m.brett@poole.gov.uk)

If you know of a resource that would be useful to other recipients of this newsletter please let us know and we may be able to promote it for you through this medium.

Chairman's update

Initial core training with our first fifteen Chaplaincy Wessex volunteers, completed over the summer, continues through the autumn with monthly sessions. Our first deployment has been in Bournemouth and Poole College where our volunteers, based in the faith centre at each of the two main sites, participated in Freshers' Week and are becoming integrated in college life.

Each of us involved in interviewing has drawn energy and excitement from the enthusiasm and talent among our volunteers and our partners in health, education and local government. The service level agreement with Bournemouth and Poole Community Palliative Care Team has been finalised and a parallel one with Pramacare is in the pipeline. We have begun informal collaboration with Bristol's well established ISR chaplaincy organisation to share experience on protocols and best practice.

The next round of volunteer recruitment will start with information sessions in November and training in January. In addition to those who have already expressed interest, we would like to find opportunities to speak direct to those who may be interested within local congregations or other similar groups. If you can link us to such, we would like to hear from you.

Andrew Williams
Chairman, Chaplaincy Wessex
17th October 2011

Community news and events

Chaplaincy Wessex has begun deploying its "First Fifteen" volunteer chaplains and is now planning a second recruitment round. Might you or someone you know be interested in helping to provide pastoral and spiritual support within organisations such as Bournemouth and Poole College, Bournemouth and Poole Palliative Care Team, North Dorset District Council or Poole Borough Council? If so there will be an information session 7.30-9.0 pm on Monday 21st November at Parkstone United Reformed Church, Commercial Road, Poole BH14 0JW.

Further information is available from Michelle Brett on 01202 733580 or Andrew Williams on 01202 460162 or www.chaplaincypoole.info

Hope FM in association with Poole Christmas Parcels Fund present a **Christmas Celebration on Friday 9th December** at 7.30 pm at St James Church, Poole. Featuring Park School Choir, Poole Salvation Army Band, Dorset Police Choir and Special guest, world acclaimed pianist Professor David Owen Norris. Book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets £6 adults and £4.50 children available from Bournemouth YMCA, Poole Salvation Army and Keith Jones Christian Bookshop.

Are you interested in exploring how local voluntary, community and faith sector organisations might become involved in running Children's Centres in Poole?

If so you are invited to join us for a half day workshop run by the Children's Charity 4Children on Tuesday 22nd November between 9.00am and 2.30pm (followed by lunch) at the United Reformed Church in Commercial Road, Parkstone BH14 0JW. The purpose of the workshop will be to explore what barriers there may be to VCS involvement and what models of collaborative working (including mutuals/co-operatives, charities or community interest companies etc) may best fit with the aspirations of VCS organisations in Poole.

Parking is limited at the church and the nearest public car parking is the pay and display at the Civic Centre or at Ashley Cross.

As a buffet lunch will be provided we will need to know how many people/organisations will be attending. With that in mind, can you please book your place either emailing or phoning Elizabeth Jordan on e.jordan@poole.gov.uk or 01202 261989. Please also advise if you have any dietary or any other particular needs when booking.

A message from Bournemouth & Poole NHS Every year, we see a number of people be admitted to hospital over the winter months because they are not warm enough, not eating enough and in icy weather going out and slipping on ungritted pavements.

Getting messages out to our communities and our workers about how to keep warm and well, and where to go for help is important to help avoid unnecessary hospital admissions this winter. The NHS is keen to use existing and trusted communication methods to target our elderly and vulnerable people and to develop resources to help people working within our communities.

Firstly they are keen to use parish magazines and newsletters to help get information out to parishioners to help them cope with the colder weather to help them keep warm, well and safe.

Secondly they are keen to offer support to those working with elderly and vulnerable people through information resources, online information or training so they can continue with their good work but feel more supported to advise people and offer extra support where possible.

And finally they are keen to develop a network of local workers and interested parties so that updates and useful information can be sent out to continue to support people in our communities (for example if snow or icy weather is forecast, or if there are issues with hospital capacity). Email addresses would be helpful to ensure communication can be immediate and relevant.

If you are interested in being part of this over the winter months, please contact Liz Kite on liz.kite@bp-pct.nhs.uk so she can develop the networks and resources, and ensure that you are as up to date as possible with helpful, local information.

Holton Lee and FaithLinks would like to invite faith groups to get involved in some arts workshops on and around our **brand new labyrinth**. The art workshops will be funded by Westhill Trust and are to encourage faith groups to come out and explore the labyrinth and contribute to it becoming a recognised site for people of faith to come and use for reflection, contemplation and meditation.

Absolutely no previous experience in art is required, we aim to use a variety of experienced facilitators to create some exciting pieces of work with our local communities, if you know of a group that would be interested please contact Emma Browning on 01202 625562 or email on volunteering@holtonlee.co.uk

Bournemouth Natural Science Society presents a talk by Chris Jervis (Chaplain at Canford School), PHILOSOPHY, SCIENCE AND THE GOD DEBATE Are science and religion compatible? Tuesday November 8TH 7.30PM 39 Christchurch Road, Bournemouth BH1 3NS For more information contact www.bnss.org.uk 01202 553525 07967350087

Poole Community Passion Play (PCPP) 2012

Continues to rehearse at Parkstone Christian Centre. Actors and back stage helpers are still needed. If you are interested in being part of the PCPP team as either a performer, back stage hand, front of house administration or fund raiser please come along. NO Experience Required!

For more details Roger Bayldon on telephone 01202-240285, or Amanda Allcroft on 01202-735987.

2011 Poole Achievement Awards The Borough of Poole invites nominations for the 2011 Poole Achievement Awards, which aim to recognise voluntary service by individuals or organisations, who have made Poole a better place in which to live or work.

Individual nominees must live or work in Poole and organisations must be located within the Borough.

You may nominate any individual or organisation which you consider deserves an award.

Application forms are available from:

Civic Centre, Dolphin Shopping Centre, Leisure Centres, Youth Clubs, Schools, Museums, Libraries, The Lighthouse, Poole Tourism Information Centre, Hospitals, Doctors' Surgeries, and Churches or from : Mayor's Office, tel 01202 633200 or email n.curtis@poole.gov.uk

Nomination forms are available online at boroughofpoole.com

Awards will be presented at the Civic Reception and Awards Ceremony which will be held early in 2012

As part of **Trustees Week** Bournemouth and Poole CVSs are running a phone and appointment surgery for any trustee in Bournemouth and Poole. Trustees can phone 01202 466130 between 3pm and 8pm to speak to an experienced adviser about anything to do with running a charity, other than funding. It might be about setting up a new charity, governance, health and safety, changing a constitution, charity law, employment, business planning, making meetings work better, and so on. As well as telephone advice trustees can book a face to face appointment at Bournemouth CVS's office in Boscombe for the 31st. For appointments please ring 01202 466130.

Do you know of a **local choir of young people** who would be interested in joining forces with an adult choir at the Salvation Army? The S A want to do some visits to sheltered accommodation housing for Christmas and would like some 'youngsters' to join them. The event will probably take place on a Saturday, either the 3 or 10 Dec and Hamworthy/Poole area. Can you let Paula Wade, community development officer have contact details if you can help - many thanks!

P.wade@poole.gov.uk 01202 633430

Nominate an inspirational woman

Whilst International Women's Day is an annual event celebrated in March, this year is its centenary.

Help to celebrate the centenary of International Women's Day by nominating local women past and present who have either:

- Led by example
- Changed lives and made a real difference
- Show strength and courage in adversity
- Been inspirational to others
- Succeeded against the odds
- Been a pioneer

- Significantly contributed to civic, business or community life

How to nominate:

- Visit us & nominate on facebook - International Women's Day 2011 Poole & Bournemouth
- Complete a nomination form - available in local libraries and public buildings
- Send us your nominations and for any enquiries, please email internationalwomensday@poole.gov.uk

Poole Citizens Advice Bureau- Providing funding and support to help others switch to Digital

TV across the UK is going digital and in March 2012 the existing analogue signal for the Meridian Region will be switched off and replaced with a new stronger digital signal. In order to help prepare the public Poole CAB has been appointed to work with voluntary and community organisations in the area to provide grants, materials, free training, support and guidance to enable them to signpost potentially vulnerable people to where they can receive the assistance they need. Should your organisation wish to take advantage of this programme they can apply for free leaflets and promotional materials, book a free briefing session for your members, and even apply for small grants in order to hold events, activities and initiatives to get information to as many people as possible.

If you would like to find out more about getting involved please get in touch with Luke Trim on 07709631909 or Luket@poolecab.co.uk

Worship venue available for faith communities in the Parkstone area. For more information contact Mark Phillips 07980 002676. M.phillips@poole.gov.uk

Footprints (a volunteer mentoring service) requires donations of toiletries and small household items suitable for equipping a bedsit (for example crockery, cutlery, small electrical items, bedding etc.) for male and female clients who are returning to the community from local prisons. For more information contact Mark Phillips 07980 002676. M.phillips@poole.gov.uk

Reminder : **the Chaplaincy website www.chaplaincypoole.info** contains details of worship times and addresses to help people find the right church or faith community for them. Please take a few minutes to check the details of your church or faith community, If updates are required please email m.brett@poole.gov.uk who will update the records on your behalf. If your community is not listed, please feel free to add your details using the simple, step-by-step instructions. This will also assist the local authority in being able to rapidly and effectively utilise the faith communities personnel and buildings in the event of a local emergency. It is also a good opportunity to show-case your facilities to the wider community and statutory sector, with the possibility of generating exciting and creative opportunities and income through partnership working. Events and articles can also be promoted on this website and we invite you to take advantage of this free service. If you need assistance contact Michelle on 01202 733580.

Parkstone Christian Centre has accommodation available within its centre for like-minded organisations interested in social action, or community activities/projects/initiatives in the Poole area. For more information contact Mark Phillips on 07980 002676 or m.phillips@poole.gov.uk

Footprints (a volunteer mentoring service) has expanded dramatically over the last 12 months and is now working with 40-50 ex offenders including female ex offenders, the over 50s and include those serving a community sentence (an alternative to custody). Volunteer mentors are urgently required. Full training, support/supervision and expenses are provided. Contact Mark Phillips on 07980 002676 or m.phillips@poole.gov.uk.

Training courses

Child Protection Refresher Training - Saturday 12th November at Parkstone United Reformed church. 10 am - 2 pm. £15 including lunch. This day will provide an important update with current legislation and thinking. To book contact Faithworks Wessex by 4th November on 01202

304004 or office@faithworkswessex.org.uk.

What it takes to get it and what it takes to keep it! A introductory training course for voluntary and community organisations in fundraising. 9th November 2011 at 9.45 - 12.30 at Friends Meeting House, Wharncliffe Road, Boscombe. £5 for voluntary organisations. For more information or to book your place contact Jacqueline Salazar at Bournemouth CVS on 01202 466130 or Jacqueline.salazar@bournemouthcvs.org.uk

Vacancies

Dorset Probation - An opportunity has arisen for a fixed-term contract as a Partnership Development Officer until 31 March 2012. Band 4 subject to JE.

Applications are invited from those with a sound knowledge and understanding of local partnerships and very good communication skills. The post-holder will play a key part in the implementation of the project to manage lower risk offenders through partnership with other agencies. The aim is to ensure that offenders are enabled to access services in their communities which will address factors related to their offending. The role will also involve the development of offender services to meet the needs of all offenders in the local delivery units (Dorset County; Bournemouth and Poole) . The post-holder will therefore need to be able to establish effective working relationships with managers in DPT and staff in partner agencies.

For an application form, job description etc contact either Sarah Woolcock (07919 572575) or Liz Watkins (01202 664065). If you have any HR queries please direct your enquiry to Dorset Probation Trust HR (01202 664060)