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Dear Members, Partners and Friends

Welcome to your monthly Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin produced by Voscur on behalf of the ChangeUp consortium.

Please pass this information on to anyone else in your organisation, or friends who may find it useful.

This e-bulletin will be sent out monthly on the third Monday each month.

If you would like to include any news or information in the Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin, please contact Matthew Symonds at the Voscur office on 0117 909 9949 or email <mailto:matthew@voscur.org>

The deadline for news items you'd like to be included in the Neighbourhood Partnership e-bulletin is 5.00 pm on the following dates in 2009: 17 July, 14 August, 18 September, 16 October, 13 November, 18 December and in 2010: 15 January, 12 February, 12 March

::: STOP PRESS! :::

VOSCUR ASSEMBLY - FOCUS ON CHILDREN'S CENTRES

Hear about the progress of Bristol's Children's Centres, the work of the Early Childhood Services Strategic Partnership, Network with other's and have a FREE lunch at the Voscur Assembly on Tuesday 23 June (9.30am - 1.00pm) at the Malcolm X Centre, 141 City Road, Bristol, BS2 8YH. Find out more and book your free place online at <http://www.voscur.org/civCRM/event/info?reset=1&id=160>

COUNCIL CABINET ANNOUNCED

The local election in Bristol has resulted in the Liberal Democrat Councillors winning a majority and taking control of the city council. Cllr Barbara Janke has been named leader of council and the names of the new cabinet has been revealed. For the full election results and the names of the new Executive Members visit:

<http://www.voscur.org/brispartnership#election>

Who's my councillor? If you're not sure who your councillors are following the elections, then check out the updated Neighbourhood Partnership details prepared by Voscur:

http://www.voscur.org/system/files/0906_NP_Map_Cllr_DW_info_0.pdf

::: NEWS :::

SADDLE UP FOR BIKE WEEK

Bike Week is the UK's largest mass participation cycling event and provides an annual opportunity to promote cycling as a source of fitness and fun, not to mention an alternative form of transport. This year, Bike Week 2009 is encouraging everyone to 'get more out of life'- by getting on your bikes, exploring your local community and finding out just how convenient cycling is for all those short trips we make each day. Find out about Bike Week activities in Bristol at: <http://www.bikeweek.org.uk>

SAVE THE GREENBELT CAMPAIGN

Groups in the West of England local authorities are working with others across the region to oppose the target for half a million new houses proposed for the region, half of which will be built in the countryside, including 7 urban extensions proposed around Bristol see: <http://www.cpreavonside.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/cpre-housing-map.pdf>.

The Save our Green Spaces Alliance have set a target of sending 40,000 postcards, emails and letters by 29 June to the new Secretary of State, John Denham. Find out how you can help by visiting <http://www.saveourgreenspaces.org> and clicking on the "Send a letter" section. For postcards, please contact me at pip_sheard@hotmail.co.uk

ARE YOU HAVING A BIG LUNCH?

Imagine a summer's day on which millions of us, throughout the UK, sit down to have lunch together, with our neighbours in the middle of our streets, around our tower blocks and on every patch of common ground. The food, entertainment and decorations we will have either grown, cooked, or created ourselves. This will be a day to break bread with our neighbours, to put a smile on Britain's face. To find out how to organise your own big lunch on Sunday 19 July visit: <http://thebiglunch.com>

COMMUNITY CRIMEFIGHTERS EVENT

Following a successful event held in March, a second Community Crime fighters event is being run on Friday 26 June. Three workshops will look at Your Police, Your Council and Your Justice. The purpose of the day and the Community Crime Fighters scheme is to provide those who already work in their communities with the information, support, encouragement and training to help them do their best for their communities. Find out more about the event at <http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/press-releases/2009/may/volunteer-crime-fighters-get-the-recognition-they-deserve.en> or call Neighbourhood Crime and Justice Co-ordinator Mark Collins at Safer Bristol on 0117 914 2222.

COMMUNITY PROJECT ADDRESSES DOMESTIC ABUSE THROUGH CREATIVE DESIGN

Last week, The Independent published a report revealing that abuses committed against vulnerable adults are under-reported and the issue is often obscured by a shroud of disbelief and incomprehension. Statistics consistently indicate that people with learning difficulties are victims of domestic abuse. Knowle West Media Centre (KWMC) is preparing to launch a collaborative graphic design project to raise awareness of domestic abuse in Bristol and empower young people with learning difficulties. For more information visit: <http://www.kwmc.org.uk>

AVON FIRE AND RESCUE?

On average 34 children under the age of 11 are killed in fires in the UK every year and around 1,200 are injured. Avon Fire and rescue have developed a new Kidzone section on their website targeting young people where they can play games and learn about fire safety information at the same time. Parents and teachers may also find this area useful. For more details visit: <http://www.avonfire.gov.uk/Avon/Kidzone/>

COUNT DOWN TO DIGITAL TV SWITCHOVER

As part of the countdown to the switch off of the analogue TV signal taking place in the West TV region in March 2010 – the hunt is on for the UK's oldest working television. Once found, the set will be converted to digital – proving once and for all that you don't need to buy a new TV to get ready for switchover. Iain Logie Baird, grandson of the inventor and curator of television at the National Media Museum, will be judging entries from across England, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland. Find out more about the digital switchover at <http://www.digitaluk.co.uk/west>

POLICE SUPPORT ROEGATE HOUSE; ADOPT A BLOCK!

The 'Adopt-A-Block' scheme at Roegate House in Fishponds has been up and running for two months. The scheme gives residents living within Roegate House their own assigned Police Community Support Officer, in an attempt to try and help tackle crime and anti social behaviour and build stronger links within the community. Monthly 'Beat Surgeries' have been introduced and as a result, Laura Harris the Police Community Support Officer has become a well known face in the block. For more information contact Kate Malone by email: <mailto:Kate.Malone@avonandsomerset.police.uk>

SOUTHVILLE SUMMER SCHOOL

The Southville Centre will be hosting a Summer School during August and are currently taking bookings from tutors who are interested in running courses.

Special room hire packages are available for Summer School tutors. Special packages are also available to help market your course. For further information on availability, rates and catering please contact the Southville Centre on 0117 9231039.

NEW INFORMATION ON YOUR NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP AVAILABLE

New facts and figures for each geographical Neighbourhood Partnership area is now available. Previously this information was available on a ward basis but has now been combined for each NP. For Neighbourhood Partnerships Statistical Profile for each partnership area visit: <http://www.voscur.org/brispnership/np#events>

::: DATES OF NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP MEETINGS :::

Neighbourhood Partnership meetings are open to any resident or local group to attend.

Key to meetings

SG = Steering group meeting, OM = Open Meeting

The dates of meetings coming up are:

*** EAST BRISTOL ***

Brislington East and Brislington West (Brislington Community Partnership)

(OM) Monday 6 July, Arnos Park Hotel, Bath Road, BS4 3HQ

Contact Lorna Heaysman on (0117) 377 2653 or email <mailto:lorna.heaysman@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Frome Vale, Eastville and Hillfields

(OM) Tuesday 23 June, 7 - 9pm. Beechwood Club, Beechwood Road, Fishponds, BS16 3TR. Contact Jo

Holmes on (0117) 903 6898 or email <mailto:johanna.holmes@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

St George East and St George West

(OM) Wednesday 15 July, 7 to 9pm, Venue to be confirmed

Contact Abdul Razak Dahir on 0117 903 6409 or email <mailto:abdulrazak.dahir@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Inner City Neighbourhood Partnership (Ashley, Easton and Lawrence Hill)

(OM) Monday 13 July, 6.30 - 8.30pm at St Werburghs Primary School, James Street, Bristol, BS2 9UH

Contact Penny Germon on (0117) 903 9879 or email

<mailto:innercity@neighbourhoodpartnership.co.uk> for more details

*** NORTH BRISTOL ***

Avonmouth and Kingsweston

(OM) Monday 20 July, 7 - 9pm, Oasis Academy, Penpole Lane, Bristol, BS11 0EB. This meeting will focus on

Children and Young People's issues. The meeting will be led by young people. Contact Sam Parker on (0117) 922 3029 or email <mailto:sam.parker@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Bishopston, Cotham and Redland Neighbourhood Partnership.

Meeting date, time and venue to be confirmed. For more information contact Jo Holmes on (0117) 903 9797

or email <mailto:johanna.holmes@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Cabot, Clifton and Clifton East

Meeting date, time and venue to be confirmed. For more information contact Ariaf Hussain on (0117) 922

3218 or email <mailto:ariaf.hussain@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Henbury and Southmead

(OM) Southmead meeting Tuesday 16 June, 6pm, United Reform Church, Wigton Crescent, Southmead, Bristol, BS10 6DY. Henbury meeting date, time and venue to be confirmed.

Contact Mohamed Ismail on 0117 903 6420 or email <mailto:mohamed.ismail@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Henleaze, Stoke Bishop and Westbury on Trym

(OM) Wednesday 1 July, 7 - 9pm at Westbury Baptist Church, Reedley Road, Westbury on Trym, Bristol, BS9

3TD. Contact Jayne Anstis on (0117) 903 6442 or email <mailto:jayne.anstis@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Horfield and Lockleaze

Meeting date, time and venue to be confirmed. For more information contact Mohamed Ismail on 0117 903

6420 or email <mailto:mohamed.ismail@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

*** SOUTH BRISTOL ***

Bedminster and Southville (Greater Bedminster Community Partnership)
(OM) Tuesday 23 June, 7pm at the Southville Centre, Beaulley Road, Southville, Bristol, BS3 1QG. Contact Ben Barker, GBCP secretary on (0117) 903 6441 or Lorna Heaysman on (0117) 377 2653 email <mailto:benbarker@blueyonder.co.uk> or <mailto:lornaheaysman@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Bishopsworth, Hartcliffe and Whitchurch Park
(OM) Monday 15 June, 7 – 9pm at The River of Life Church, Bishport Avenue, Hartcliffe, BS13 0PT. Focus on young people's issues
Contact Heather Williams on (0117) 903 8044 or email: <mailto:heather.williams@hwcp.org.uk> for more details

Filwood, Knowle and Windmill Hill
(SG) Tuesday 28 July, 6-8pm at Knowle West Media Centre, Leinster Avenue, Filwood, Bristol, BS4 1NL
Contact Valeria Talbot on (0117) 908 4247 or email <mailto:valerie.talbot@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

Hengrove and Stockwood
(OM) Tuesday 7 July, 7pm, South Bristol Sports Centre, West Town Lane, Bristol, BS14 9EA
Contact Ariaif Hussain on (0117) 922 3218 or email <mailto:ariaf.hussain@bristol.gov.uk> for more details

::: CONSULTATIONS :::

The following consultations are currently taking place in Bristol:

- Bristol's Dual Diagnosis strategy 2009-14 (Until 19 June 2009)
- Webcasting (Until 30 June 2009)
- Horfield Parking Restriction review (between Muller Road and Wessex Avenue) (Until 6 July 2009)
- Proposed Experimental Closure Chock Lane, Westbury on Trym (Until 6 July 2009)
- Highways and Transport Public Satisfaction Survey (Until 11 July 2009)
- New Tenancy Satisfaction Survey 2009/10 (Until 14 July 2009)
- Your views on the development plan for Bristol (Until 17 July 2009)
- Hate Crime Strategy 2009-14 (Until 24 July 2009)
- Extended lighting proposals - Bristol Bath Railway Path (Until 31 July 2009)
- Voluntary and Community Sector Infrastructure Support Needs Survey (Until 17 August 2009)
- Active People (until 31 October 2009)
- Museum Visitor Survey (Until 31 December 2009)
- Traffic Noise Pollution (Until 31 December 2009)
- Dog Warden Service Customer Satisfaction Survey 2009/10 (Until 31 March 2010)
- New Tenancy Satisfaction Survey 2009/10 (Until 31 March 2010)
- Pest Control Services Customer Satisfaction Survey 2009/10 (Until 31 March 2010)

To find out more about these and other consultations visit:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Council-Democracy/Consultations/consultation-finder.en>

YOU CAN CURRENTLY SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING ONLINE E-PETITIONS:

- No Incinerator in Bristol (Until 17 Jun 2009)
- Save the Bristol Travel Shop (Until 30 June 2009)
- Direct democracy (Until 1 Jul 2009)
- Save Summerhill infant and primary from amalgamation (Until 1 Jul 2009)
- No Heathrow Expansion - Electrify mainline London to Bristol instead. (Until 31 July)
- No More Noisy Leaf Blower at Blaise, Use a Rake! (Until 1 Aug 2009)
- No billboards on Stokes Croft (Until 5 August)
- Petition to remove billboards on Mina Rd. (Until 29 August 2009)
- No to Amalgamation of Henleaze Infant and Junior Schools (Until 30 August 2009)
- A public transport hub at Temple Meads (Until 29 Oct 2009)
- New Bristol cyclepath across M32 motorway (Until 31 October 2009)
- Reduce the speed limit to 20mph where people live and work (Until 30 April 2010)
- Let All Bristol Decide (Until 5 May 2010)

Support these and other petitions or start your own at: <http://epetitions.bristol.gov.uk/>

::: LOCAL COMMUNITY DIARY :::

--- TUESDAY 15 JUNE ---

ANNE FRANK EXHIBITION

The 'Anne Frank + You' exhibition open throughout May until 20 June 2009 at Bristol Cathedral. Commemorating the 80th anniversary of her birth, copies of The Diary of Anne Frank have been purchased in various formats, including spoken word CD and are available from all Bristol Libraries. To find out more Visit:

<http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Leisure-Culture/Arts-Entertainment/whats-on.en?XSL=eventdetail&EventId=20824>

--- WEDNESDAY 17 JUNE ---

CHANGE4LIFE STAKEHOLDER EVENT

Healthy Weight, Healthy Lives and Social Marketing will be the theme for a Change4Life stakeholder event being held at Garden Room, Bristol Zoo Gardens, Clifton, Bristol BS8 3HA. For more information and a booking form visit: <http://www.voscur.org/node/5199>

--- THURSDAY 18 JUNE ---

GROW YOUR OWN FOOD IN CONTAINERS

10-3pm at Lawrence Weston Community Farm, Saltmarsh Drive, Lawrence Weston, Bristol, BS11 ONJ. Contact 0117 938 1128 or mail <mailto:office@lwfarm.org.uk> or visit <http://www.lwfarm.org.uk> for more information

--- Friday 19 JUNE ---

ZIMBABWE DAY AT THE PIERIAN CENTRE

12 noon–2pm Lunch of delicious Zimbabwean food (£5 a plate), 2.30pm Gumbo dance: storming South African dance class. 4.30pm Zimbabwean Film (details tbc) 6pm More delicious Zimbabwean food! (£5 a plate), 7.30pm Panel Discussion about the current situation in Zimbabwe. Guest speaker: Dr Alex Tawanda Magaisa., 9pm Talk: Made in Malawi. Pax Nindi's migration from Zimbabwe to UK via Malawi. 10pm–midnight Music & Dancing with Cecilia Ndhlovu & friends! All free. For more information visit: www.pieriancentre.com

--- SATURDAY 20 JUNE ---

MYTHS AND LEGENDS DANCE PERFORMANCE

7pm. Dance Voice performance of Myths and Legends will be held at The City Academy, Russell Town Avenue, Redfield, Bristol, BS5 9LT. Ticket Price £7.00 Contact Mrs Kate Marsh on 0117 953 2055 or email: <mailto:admin@dancevoice.org.uk>

--- MONDAY 22 JUNE ---

The Bristol Women's Forum, which campaigns on Women's Equality and lobbies the Council on behalf Of all Women in Bristol, invite you to join us for a women only lunch and a discussion about the issues that are important to you at Woodward Community Resource Centre, Alexandra Park, Fishponds, Bristol, BS16 2BG, 12.30 – 3pm. Places are limited to 30 people. Places MUST be booked before Wed 17 June 2009. Contact Avril Marshall, Tel. 0117 922 4562 or email: <mailto:avril.marshall@bristol.gov.uk> for more details.

--- WEDNESDAY 24 JUNE ---

BRISTOL PARTNERSHIP CONFERENCE

Discovering how the recession can be your best opportunity to make a difference in Bristol is the theme for the conference at the Council House. The event is aimed at those involved in influencing and managing teams working in Bristol. This will be particularly relevant to public and voluntary sector operational managers. Private sector and council members are also welcome. For more details visit: <http://www.voscur.org/node/5181>

BRISTOL LINK ROADSHOW

6pm–8pm at Fonthill Primary School, Ascot Road, Southmead, Bristol BS10 5SW. Local Involvement Network (LINK) want you to 'Have Your Say in Health and Social Care!' The road shows will give you the chance to put forward your views on how health and social care services can be improved, developed and commissioned locally. To find out

more or to book a place please contact Alex Hodgson, Bristol LINK Administrator (0117) 9589325 or email <mailto:alex.hodgson@linkbristol.org.uk>

--- THURSDAY 25 JUNE ---

WHAT SUPPORT DO YOU NEED TO THRIVE?

Bristol City Council invites Voluntary and Community groups of all sizes in Bristol to tell them what support services you need to help your group thrive over the next 5 years

Please attend one of the following VCS Support Consultation Events:

- South Bristol, Thursday 25 June, Withywood Centre, Queens Road, Withywood, 10am - 12.30pm, Lunch at 12:30pm
- Central Bristol, Thursday 2 July, Barton Hill Settlement, 43 Ducie Road, Barton Hill, 2pm - 4.30pm, Lunch from 1.30pm
- North Bristol, Monday 6 July, The Main Hall, The Greenway Centre, Doncaster Road, Southmead, 2pm - 4.30pm, Lunch from 1.30pm

To confirm your attendance or for more information, please contact Keith Houghton by email <mailto:k.houghton@bristol.gov.uk> or call 0117 922 4746

--- FRIDAY 26 JUNE ---

DIGITAL TV SWITCHOVER SUPPORT GROUP.

The first meeting of the new Switchover Support Group for the West of England will be held at the Mercure Holland House Hotel, Bristol from 9.15am to 12.30pm. To request a place contact conference organiser Laura Tregonning by email at <mailto:Laura.Tregonning@dca-pr.co.uk> or call 01208 77900.

COMMUNITY CRIME FIGHTER PROGRAMME

Helping to create stronger links between crime fighting agencies and the communities they serve. The conference is free and lunch is provided. See more details on the News page of www.communitiyatheart.co.uk. If you are interested in attending contact neil.burwell@bristol.gov.uk

WALLACE & GROMIT'S WRONG TROUSERS DAY

You're asked to wear your favourite colour and join thousands of people across the UK for a colour extravaganza to raise money for sick children in hospitals and hospices throughout the UK. You decide what to wear, just be bright and colourful but most importantly have fun! If your workplace has a strict uniform policy you'll also be sent you some great Wrong Trousers Day stickers so you can show your support. Everyone who takes part is asked to donate £1 to Wallace & Gromit's Children's Foundation. Register online today at www.wrongtrousersday.org

--- SATURDAY 27 JUNE ---

27th June – 5th July, DELIVERANCE – Studio Upstairs Postcard Project at 204 Gloucester Road, Bristol, Mixed media postcards made by artists from Studio Upstairs friends of the studio will be exhibited and for sale. For more information visit: www.studioupstairs.org.uk

--- MONDAY 29 JUNE ---

WESTBURY PARK FESTIVAL

The Westbury Park Festival will take place from Monday 29 June through to Sunday 5th July. It promises to be a fantastic week of events with something for all the family – from Concerts to Art Exhibitions, a Street Party and Treasure Hunt. Waitrose Henleaze have chosen the Festival as one of three "good causes" for their Green Token scheme - please place tokens in the WP Festival box before leaving the store.

For more details contact: office@westburyparkchurch.org

--- FRIDAY 3 JULY ---

HANNAH MORE SUMMER CELEBRATION EVENT

3.30pm to 6pm, Hannah More Primary School, New Kingsley Road, Bristol, BS2 0LT
Stalls, food from around the world, music, performances, dancing, karaoke, donkey rides, bouncy castle, bicycle-powered art, carnival processions and more! Free entry. If you are interested in running an activity or having a stall at the event contact Ruth on 0117 903 9936 or email <mailto:ruth.cochran@bristol.gov.uk>

--- SATURDAY 4 JULY ---

PROUD 2B YOUTH CONFERENCE

9.00am – 7.30pm At the City Academy, Russell Town Avenue, Easton, Bristol.

A unique opportunity for you to talk to other young people about the most pressing issues you face in your communities. You can expect a safe environment to voice your views and concerns and share experiences with other young people. It also offers the chance to network with other people from across Bristol and learn from youth led projects showcasing how young people are making a positive contribution and making a difference to their communities. For more details email mailto: communitydevelopment@bristol.gov.uk

ST PAULS CARNIVAL

Moved by the historic victory of Barak Obama, the theme of this years carnival will be 'Leaders of Tomorrow'. Keep yourself updated on progress of St Pauls Carnival at <http://www.stpaulscarnival.co.uk> If you'd like to help out behind the scenes call 0117 944 4176or email info@stpaulscarnival.co.uk

--- SUNDAY 5 JULY ---

LAZY SUNDAY IN GREVILLE SMYTH PARK

The Friends of Greville Smyth Park will be holding their annual "Lazy Sunday" event- this will run from 3pm to 6pm and include cafe, BBQ, live music and children's entertainment. It's a great free event for all the family so please come and join us. Volunteers are needed to help serve tea/hot dogs and more musicians/performers would be welcome too. If you are interested please email <mailto:info@frogs.org.uk>

--- FRIDAY 10 JULY ---

BRISTOL VETERANS' BAND DROP-IN LUNCHTIME CONCERT

1 – 2pm, Fishponds Methodist Church, Guinea Lane, Fishponds, BS16 2HB

Cup of tea available, admission free / retiring collection. The concerts happens on the second Friday every month and are sponsored by 'ACTIVATE', a group formed in Fishponds to promote activities in the community.

--- SUNDAY 12 JULY ---

COMMUNITY ARTS FESTIVAL AND PARADE

From 10.30am, Netham Park, Barton Hill. Phoenix52 is holding a 'Get Creative' festival and parade. Participants of the parade will be gathering in the Urban Park from 10am and will temporarily hold up traffic from 10.30am to 11am as the parade of local children, musicians and dancers moves along Avonvale Road between Beam Street and Oxford Street to the main entrance of Netham Park. The festival will run in Netham Park from 11am to 5.30pm and there will be live music, performance and creative workshops. There will be no alcohol served at this family friendly event and entry is free to local residents. Come on down and get involved and try something new. For more information visit www.phoenix52.co.uk or look out for the festival programme that will be delivered to your home at the end of June.

--- SATURDAY 18 JULY ---

BARTON HILL RFC COMMUNITY AFTERNOON

Barton Hill Rugby Football Club is holding a Community afternoon at Barton Hill RFC Clubhouse, Duncombe Lane, Speedwell to show off the Rugby Club to the neighbourhood. There will be stalls, rides and displays and the police and fire service will be in attendance. Colin Dyer, Club Chair invites everyone in the neighbourhood to come along for a great afternoon.

AMITABHA BUDDHIST CENTRE OPEN AFTERNOON

Free entry - A variety of stalls selling all sorts of home produce, bric-a-brac, and crafts as well a children's clothes, plants and more. Also, there will be a BBQ and the World Peace Cafe serving delightful organic drinks and snacks. It is also widely rumoured that Theeeko the clown will up to his antics of mirth and merriment. Amitabha Buddhist Centre, Old Vicarage, Gloucester Road, Bishopston, Bristol, BS7 8NX, UK

For more information visit: <http://www.meditationinbristol.org/>

FIND MORE EVENTS

To find details of events happening in your local parks and green spaces visit <http://www.bristol.gov.uk/ccm/content/Leisure-Culture/Arts-Entertainment/whats-on.en?XSL=index&EventTypeId=71&AllRecords=true>

To find more events or publicise your own in the Voscur online diary visit <http://www.voscur.org/event>

::: COMING UP :::

NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP RESIDENTS' FORUM MEETING DATES Join other people from across Bristol who are active in their Neighbourhood Partnership. Share good ideas and solve problems at the Neighbourhood Partnership Residents' Forum. Date for the coming year:

Thursday 16 July, 6-8pm, at Barton Hill Settlement
Saturday 19 September, 10am - 12.30pm at the Council House
Tuesday 24 November, 2 - 4pm at Windmill Hill City Farm
Thursday 28 January, 2010, 6-8pm at the Council House
Saturday 27 March, 2010, 10 - 12.30pm at Shirehampton Public Hall

To find out more contact Matthew Symonds on 0117 909 9949 or email: <mailto:matthew@voscur.org> or confirm your attendance by online at: <http://www.voscur.org/brispartnership/np>

VOSCUR TRAINING

Courses coming up - Contact Anna Polanek on 0117 909 9949 or email <mailto:anna@voscur.org> to register your interest in any of these Voscur course:

- Free Awards for All event and Outcomes training
- Trustee Series 3 - So you think you're a charity? Understanding legal structures for organisations
- Speaking With Confidence *New*
- Collaboration and Merger *New*
- Changing Employment Contracts Legally
- Developing an Equalities & Diversity Policy *New*
- Get Ready to Trade *New*

For more details on Voscur Training and learning visit:
<http://www.voscur.org/training>

OTHER TRAINING

Domestic Abuse Awareness

The Play & Early Years Training Unit has created a bespoke course specifically for early years, childcare and play work practitioners to provide a deeper understanding of domestic abuse and in particular the effect it can have on children's well being and development. The courses are running on Wednesday 17 June from 6:30pm - 9:00pm and 11 July from 9:30am - 3:00pm. To book a place or find out more please contact Max Saward on: 0117 908 0601 or

Email: training@peytu.co.uk

::: NOTICEBOARD :::

Talk online to people in your area.

There are several online discussion groups across Bristol where you can discuss your local issues from the comfort of your own home! Why not follow one of these links and join in?

Greater Bedminster Issues Forum:

<http://forums.e-democracy.org/groups/bemmy-forum/index.html>

Brislington

<http://s8.invisionfree.com/BCP/>

Barton Hill, the Dings, Lawrence Hill and Redfield

<http://www.communityatheart.co.uk/forum>

Easton

http://uk.groups.yahoo.com/group/easton_bristol/

Henbury and Brentry

<http://www.henburybrentrycommunity.org.uk/wordpress/>

Knowle West

<http://forums.e-democracy.org/groups/kw-forum/index.html>

Redland

<http://www.sustainableredland.org.uk/subscribe/>

Shirehampton

http://www.shire.org.uk/index.php?page=message_boards

St Werburghs

<http://www.stwerburghs.org/forums/>

If you'd like to find out more about how to set up an online discussion forum in your area, you can contact Sean Kenny at Voscur on (0117) 909 9949 or email <mailto:seank@voscur.org>