



Newsletter

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Ryedale Venue Directory

**Are you looking for a Ryedale venue for your event?
Do you struggle to find up to date contact details for village
halls and community venues?**

The much awaited Ryedale Venue Directory, which lists village halls and community venues in Ryedale has now been printed. The directory has been produced by RVA with thanks to funding from the North Yorkshire County Council Community Fund.

Copies of the directory are available from RVA for a cost of £1.20 per copy plus 70p postage and packaging. The small fee will contribute to the production of a 2012 directory.

To order a copy, please contact Sarah Richardson on 01653 600120 or email sarah@rva-cvs.org.uk

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Big Society Activated

The Localism Bill is currently making its way through Parliament. The Bill had its first reading in the House of Commons in December, and its second reading took place on Monday 17 January 2011. The Bill will enter the Committee Stage soon. The Bill proposes new rights for local charities and community groups. It is hoped that these rights will make it easier for a local charity to take over an unused building or to bid to take over a failing local service.

The Real Power for Communities campaign has been set up by NAVCA, Development Trusts Association, ACRE and others to ensure that the Localism Bill supports local voluntary action. The campaign seeks to strengthen these rights by lobbying MPs during the legislative process.

**To show your support for the campaign,
please register at www.rp4c.org.uk.**

It will take just 30 seconds to register and your support will help make sure the Localism Bill brings the local voluntary and community sector important new powers.

Localism—'Join the Debate'

Involve Yorkshire and Humber are delivering events across the region, on **The Localism Bill, a first practical application of the Big Society agenda.**

Date: Wednesday 9th March 2011, 12pm – 4pm

Venue: Sledmere Village Hall, nr Driffield

The event will:

explore the opportunities that the Localism Bill will present for front line rural VCS groups to deliver the Big Society Agenda,

look at how the Right to Challenge could benefit rural VCS groups in running key services such as health and social care,

investigate the Community Right to Build and how it may give rural VCS groups more freedom at a local level to secure funding for new amenities in their area

For more information about the event please contact Sophie Price on 0113 394 2316 or email sophie.price@involveyorkshirehumber.org.uk

News



Yorkshire & the Humber Forum is now **Involve Yorkshire & Humber**. They have changed the name of the organisation to reflect changing times - for themselves, the voluntary sector, and society in general.

They are seeking to influence, to inform, to strengthen and connect within, and beyond the voluntary sector. The word 'involve' sums up their belief in inclusivity. They want to ensure that everyone in Yorkshire and the Humber can benefit from living and working here, and that the voluntary sector is able to play a central role in communities. They want to play an active and positive role in making this happen.

For more information contact 0113 394 2300, e: office@involveyorkshirehumber.org.uk or go to www.involveyorkshirehumber.org.uk

Online survey about minimum charging for counselling service

Ryedale Counselling Service [RCS] is carrying out an online survey about a proposal to introduce a minimum contribution for the counselling service from this April.

RCS is considering this proposal as a way of ensuring the long-term future of the service.

If you would like to make your views known about the proposal - or if you have any suggestions about how RCS develop the counselling service for people in Ryedale and Scarborough please go to:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/79KJFJF>

The online consultation closes on Monday, 1st March.

Rural districts worst hit by funding cuts

Analysis by the Rural Services Network reveals that England's shire counties face the largest funding reductions.

District councils face a reduction of 15.60% on average over the 2011-2012 period (by comparison county councils face a reduction of 13.51% and metropolitan authorities see their funding reduced by 11.68%). The analysis also shows that rural districts also come off worse when cuts are compared by rural/urban category. They face a 15.87% reduction compared to the 15.45% reduction faced by urban districts.

<http://www.rsonline.org.uk/Analysis/Districts-worst-hit-by-funding-cuts.html>



The Trustee Recruitment Challenge

Finding and keeping trustees is a vital task for all voluntary and community organisations. There are almost a million trustees, and an estimated further million management committee member positions in organisations across the country. However, many organisations experience

difficulties recruiting and retaining trustees. Why not use the NCVO Trustee Recruitment Campaign Pack to raise awareness of becoming a trustee? The pack includes posters, leaflets, logos and templates which can all be customised with your information and logos.

To view the pack go to:

www.ncvo-vol.org.uk/Trusteerecruitmentcampaignspack

Training

NYFVO Training Programme



**Introduction to the Vetting & Barring Scheme and CRB checks, Scarborough
03-03-2011 (10:00 - 13:00)**

On 12 October 2009 new measures were introduced to help prevent unsuitable people from undertaking paid or volunteer work with children or vulnerable adults. Come along to this introductory workshop to find out more about the new Vetting and Barring Scheme from the Independent Safeguarding Authority (ISA) and learn about using CRB checks (Disclosures).

Course fees are: **£16.50 per person (NYFVO members VCS organisations in York & North Yorkshire), £25 per person (other VCS organisations in York & North Yorkshire)**

The course is aimed at organisations who are using CRB checks and want to find out more about the Vetting and Barring Scheme and may not have received any formal training previously; and organisations wondering if they will be affected by the new Scheme who may not be using CRB checks.

The sessions are not for NYFVO existing Disclosure Service customers as a specific information session is being organised for them.

For more information or to book a place contact Jeanette at the Forum , telephone 01347 825710 or email jeanette.lilley@nyfvo.org.uk

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Update your details from our Website!

Does your organisation use volunteers? Volunteer Centre Ryedale can help you advertise your voluntary opportunities and attract people to become volunteers.

If you are already registered with the Volunteer Centre, you may have new opportunities to offer so refreshing the information that we hold for you is essential.

To register an opportunity complete our registration form which can be found on the volunteering page of our website www.ryedaleva.org.uk and email it to sandi@rva-cvs.org.uk and we can promote your opportunity for you. There is no charge for this.

Once we have the details of your organisation and the opportunity or opportunities that you are offering, we can; put your opportunity on the www.do-it.org.uk website and include your opportunity in our files and suggest it to volunteers



Volunteering England works to support and increase the quality, quantity, impact and accessibility of volunteering throughout England.

Partnerships



Legacy for Ryedale Charities Together

Two years ago the groups involved in Ryedale Charities Together (RCT) found themselves with enough funding to re-invigorate the joint Legacy Strategy they had developed a number of years before.

In November 2009 they ran their first Will Week. Ryedale Area Committee funded the cost of publicity and the scheme was generously supported by local solicitors.

RCT aimed not only to raise funds, but also public awareness of our small, purely Ryedale charities and encourage people to think about leaving a local legacy.

During the course of the Will Week, Mrs K ['Bunty'] Dimond, who was very keen to benefit the Ryedale community, made a will leaving £100,000 to be

divided between the seven charities in the group.

Probate for this was granted at the end of 2010.

This amazingly generous gesture has made an enormous difference to the charities involved – not least, in raising morale after recent news of substantial funding cuts.

It has eased the pressure on all the charities and allowed one to obtain match funding. It has removed from Ryedale Carers Support some of the enormous stress of obtaining the funds needed to manage the 130 volunteers providing regular and much-needed support to carers throughout Ryedale. Finally, it should enable Ryecat to fill a notable gap in their current provision and purchase an adapted vehicle in order to develop a wheelchair-accessible car service for both volunteer driver and self-driven respite journeys.

At the latest RCT meeting all the members toasted [in non-alcoholic drinks!] the memory of a wonderful, public-spirited benefactor.

www.ryedalecharitiestogether.org

The Renewed Compact

The renewed national Compact has now been released and can be downloaded from:

http://www.compactvoice.org.uk/sites/default/files/the_compact.pdf

The Renewed Compact is an agreement between the Coalition Government, and their associated Non-Departmental Public Bodies, Arms Length Bodies and Executive Agencies, and civil society organisations (CSOs) in England. The agreement aims to ensure that the Government and CSOs work effectively in partnership to achieve common goals and outcomes for the benefit of communities and citizens in England. (For the purposes of the Compact, civil society organisations include charities, social enterprises and voluntary and community groups.)

The outcomes and commitments stated in the Compact will set the foundation for a productive relationship between the Government and CSOs. An effective partnership between the Government and CSOs will help achieve the following outcomes:

1. A strong, diverse and independent civil society
2. Effective and transparent design and development of policies, programmes and public services
3. Responsive and high-quality programmes and services
4. Clear arrangements for managing changes to programmes and services
5. An equal and fair society

For more information on the Compact, including implementation guides, what to do if differences emerge and examples of best practice, contact Compact Voice.

Email: compact@compactvoice.org.uk Telephone: 0207 520 2451

Website: www.compactvoice.org.uk

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Local Focus



An update from OLGA Older Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Trans Association A Community Network for the Scarborough and Ryedale Districts

OLGA is now 3 years old and has recently been funded by Comic Relief, to expand its social provision, and to continue the awareness raising workshops that it delivers to health and social care providers and other organisations.

These workshops cover equality issues surrounding being lesbian, gay, bisexual, and trans. Any organisation needing help to ensure their policy documents are inclusive and cover the requirements of the recent Equality legislation would also benefit from booking a workshop. Membership of OLGA is steadily growing with members far and wide. (Organisations can join for a £5 annual fee.) OLGA members receive regular updates and newsletters.

**For more information contact OLGA on
07929465044 or olga@mypostoffice.co.uk**

Helmsley Walled Garden www.helmsleywalledgarden.org.uk

Helmsley Walled Garden's Spring Fair

Saturday 26th March, 10.30am to 3.30pm



FREE ENTRY TO FAIR AND GARDEN

**Raffle . Cake Stall & Book Stall . Tombola . Childrens Garden Activities . Fifteen Stalls
with locally made gifts . Walled Garden Shop for gifts . Light Refreshments all day**

Enquiries Tel: 01439 771427 Charity no 1074448

Ryedale Youth Theatre presents:



ME AND MY GIRL

Weds 13th – Sat 16th April 2011

4 Evening Performances - Weds – Sat at 7.15 pm

2 Matinees - Thursday & Saturday at 2 pm

Ticket Prices £9 & £7 concession

Tickets will be available from the Tourist Information Centre, Malton from the end of February 2011. Tel: 01653 600048



JAZZ SUNDAYS

Date: Sunday afternoons during term time

Time: 2.00pm – 4.00pm

Where: Brooklyn Youth Centre, Norton

Cost: FREE

Pied Piper Projects is setting up an unique new music ensemble for Ryedale. Led by Leeds-based jazz saxophonist Tom Sherman this is a group for young musicians who want to jam, improvise and explore new repertoire. Using music and charts the group will develop new interpretations of jazz standards as well as developing improvisation and

group composition skills to create original, contemporary music.

The group is open to any young musicians aged 11-18 who are a minimum of Grade 5 standard (or equivalent), and it isn't necessary to read music to take part.

For further details about the project, and the rest of Pied Piper's Spring Programme, please visit our website www.piedpiper.org or contact **Lucy Galliard** on 01653 669410, or email lucy.galliard@piedpiper.org



Funding

A Letter from Pauline Reeve, RVA Funding Advisor

Dear Reader

Just to let you all know that I will be retiring at the end of March as I reach 65 during the first week of April. I have been in the post of Funding Advisor for seven years plus, working with organisations across both Ryedale and Scarborough Borough.

I have worked with in excess of 100 organisations each year during that time, and I want to tell you what a privilege that has been. Your imagination and enthusiasm for your projects has ensured that I have never had a dull moment. I have been lucky to meet so many wonderful and selfless people, working to bring a better quality of life to their neighbours and neighbourhoods.

Regrettably, it is not always possible to be successful in competitive bids for funding. However, together our success rate for the two Districts has been consistently high.

Sarah Lally-Marley will now be the contact at Ryedale Voluntary Action for funding and governance advice, with support from Andrea Hobbs, our Chief Officer. For groups in Scarborough Borough District, the main Coast & Moors Voluntary Action number will direct you to support for your enquiry.

I will continue to work in the sector as volunteer to a number of organisations across Ryedale and Scarborough, so I am sure that my path will still cross with many of you.

I wish you all much future success

Pauline Reeve



To contact the Funding Advisor:

Sarah Lally-Marley Telephone: 01653 600120

Email: sarahlm@rva-cvs.org.uk

www.ynyfundingadvice.org.uk



Office space available!

Sight Support Ryedale is able to offer space in their offices at 39 Yorkersgate, Malton.

The accommodation is on the first floor, and measures approx 12x9'. Joint use of the ground floor reception area may also be possible.

Sight Support would welcome the sharing of their new premises with another small charity or voluntary group, the rent would be negotiable and set at an appropriate rate for the group concerned.

For more information contact:

Janice Every at Sight Support Ryedale, 01653 698860 or sightsupportryedale@btconnect.com



VCS Services

Scarborough & Ryedale Carers Resource

After a difficult year we are pleased to have been awarded funding for 2 new projects.

Our application to the BIG lottery was successful and we have been given funding for 4 years to support Young Adult Carers, 18-35 years. Our new workers, Jodie and Neil will be providing support and advice to this group of carers and offering social activities.

We also received 2 year funding from North Yorkshire County Council Community Fund to offer specialist support and advice around employment and learning to Young Adult Carers. Gina is taking the lead on this work.

The Esmee Fairbairn Foundation has awarded us a 2 year grant to work with carers and families supporting someone with drug or alcohol issues. This work is supported by the

Cambridge Centre and will include information and support sessions and opportunities for carers to meet together.

The first phase of these projects will include a period of development and publicity. The workers involved will be out and about promoting the projects and finding out how we can best support these carers.

If you are interested in knowing more, getting involved or would like us to talk to your team or group, don't hesitate to get in touch. If you are a carer and feel you could do with some advice or support, then you can contact us in the usual way, by phone or email.

We continue to seek funding for other aspects of our service and will keep you posted as to progress.

Scarborough & Ryedale Carers Resource
96 High Street . Snainton . YO13 9AJ

Telephone: 01723 850155

www.carersresource.net

RVA Administration Support Service

Is your group snowed under with paperwork and doesn't know where to turn?

Do you need help with designing your newsletter? Or someone to take the minutes at your meetings? Would you like a cheap, simple website that you can change yourself?

RVA would like to develop an administration support service.

If you are interested in this service please go to
<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/XK7NT3C>

And complete the short questionnaire to help us design this service to meet your needs.

Thinking of an outing to Pickering or the Moors for your Group?



Sinnington WI raises funds for its activities by providing teas for community groups and walkers.

You get sandwiches, savouries and cake, plus as much tea as you can drink – all for only £5.50. All the food



is homemade and delicious and we can adapt our menus to suit particular needs.



Teas are served in our charming old Village Hall on the Green and we can accommodate groups of between 20 and 40 people.

For any further details or to book, please telephone 01751 431345.

VCS Services



RVA Trustee Profile

Karen has lived near Malton for over 15 years and has run her own business and more recently worked in the private sector where she specialised in motivation, personal development, sales and marketing.

Karen has facilitated courses for a large pharmaceutical company these include 'peak performance', 'train the trainer' and 'coaching to enhance performance'.

Having taken a year out last summer, Karen is now a community development worker, where she can adapt her key skills which include communication, group and individual coaching, and training to enhance development.

In her spare time Karen is also working with Ryedale Folk Museum on a project which involves the local schools, and enjoys cooking and entertaining friends and family, walking the family dog and is taxi for the footie team and her children, and loves the opera and ballet.



10 big numbers

9.8 million people lived in rural England in 2009. While the urban population increased with 369,000 people (2008-2009), the rural population decreased by 5,000.

Net internal migration to predominantly rural areas is **39,900** in 2008/09.

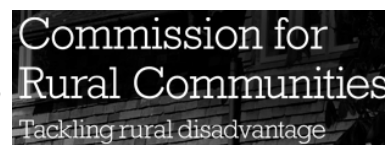
In 2009 **23** Job centres were located in rural areas, which equates to 4% of all Job Centres.

In 2010, the mean annual household income was **£37,513** in rural areas (unequalised).

The average rural house cost **6.0** times the average annual rural household income in 2009.

Approximately **700,000** rural households lived below the poverty line in 2008/09 (before housing costs).

847,000 rural households lived in fuel poverty in 2008 (full income definition).



1,388,000 rural households were off the mains gas network in 2008.

In the first quarter of 2010 **964,027** employees in rural areas were self-employed, which corresponds to 21.1% of all employed in rural areas.

In predominantly rural areas, between 2001 and 2009 the number of people aged over 60 rose by **534,203**.

Regional analyses are available at:
<http://ruralcommunities.gov.uk/category/data-statistics/10bignumbers/>

Useful Websites

www.ryedaleva.org.uk an online resource providing voluntary and community support.

www.nyfvo.org.uk registered charity formed and run by voluntary and community organisations in York and North Yorkshire to promote, develop and support new and existing forms of voluntary and community action; and to ensure that their views and interests are well represented.

www.improvingsupport.org the online community for the voluntary sector, containing a range of top rated guides and toolkits.

www.fit4funding.org.uk quality training, support and resources on fundraising for voluntary and community groups.