

Here are this week's snippets of news....

begin news

- It's that time of the year again and we are asking you to let us know if you are running classes for ESOL or Literacy/Numeracy. Our waiting list is fit to burst so the team are busy making appointments. Any information relating to new classes starting or classes where we can refer are greatly welcomed.

News, Policy, Campaigns/Fund-raising

- **Struggling to meet volunteer demand? You're not alone.** A new national survey undertaken by the Civil Society has found that more than half of charities have seen interest in volunteering rise, but a third cannot cope with the increase in volunteer demand [Read more](#) via the NCVS website.
- **Greenfield's Community Children's Centre** is one of the nominated groups to collect '**Cash for Community**' vouchers from the **Nottingham Evening Post** which are being printed every night from 4th to 30th June. They are using them to raise funds for their multi lingual book library and reading club. Please collect tokens on their behalf!. Drop off at Greenfield's, Clifton Children's Centre or Bilborough Children's Centre, or post to Greenfield's Greenfield's Community Children's Centre, 139 Russell Road, Forest Fields, Nottingham NG7 6GX.
- **National Literacy Trust** latest news including the new Department for Education draft Primary National Curriculum. For more information please see the [website](#).
- **Vulnerable workers to be better protected from criminal gangmasters** under plans to clamp down on unscrupulous operators, Agriculture Minister Jim Paice announced. <http://www.defra.gov.uk/news/2012/05/24/glachanges/> The National Farmers Union response can be found at <http://www.nfuonline.com/News/GLA-reforms-will-help-prevent-exploitation/>

Events

- **Refugee Week 16th-24th June:** Check out the the attached document or the following link for events in Nottingham and the East Midlands – ranging from a week- long exhibition “Imagining a better world” at Central Library to the Wildlife Craft Workshop at The Square Centre, Alfred Street North, NG3 1AA Friday 22nd June: <http://www.refugeeweek.org.uk/In-Your-Area/East-Midlands/E-Midlands>

- **RefuTea** is back again this year. **Nottingham and Nottinghamshire Refugee Forum and Refugee Action** are holding a RefuTea event on Wednesday 20th June 12-3pm at The Square Centre, NG3 1AA. For further information call: 0115 978 4588/941 5599. Or to run your own RefuTea look for materials and ideas on the [website](#).
- As part of Refugee Week - **Crime writing with a conscience:** Weds 20th June, 7 pm, Central Library. Acclaimed crime writer Danuta Reah will talk about her most recent novel 'Not Safe' which follows the story of DC Tina Barraclough as she investigates the death of an 18 year old asylum seeker. For a free ticket, please contact Central Library on **0115 915 2825** or for more information, please contact Jane Brierley on **0115 9151171** or email: jane.brierley@nottinghamcity.gov.uk
- **Women's Aid Fashion Show-** The event is in association with Stick & Ribbon, a local private shopping & personal styling consultancy and is on **Tuesday 26th June 2012**. For more information and to buy your ticket please visit the [website](#).
- **Community Celebration** at Round Hill School, Forest Avenue, Beeston. NG9 1AE. 7th July 11am-4pm. Various activities for all ages. FREE event. For more information please contact Jayne on **0115 917 3657** or Andrea on **0797 499 5390**
- **Meadows Partnership Trust Community Meeting** - Combining Crime and Community Safety, Parks and Open Spaces and Planning, Parking and Traffic. The first quarterly meeting will be held on Thursday 14TH June 2012 from 6pm, Queens Walk Community Centre concert hall, Queens Walk, The Meadows. Refreshments will be available. Contact: Mrs Chris Brummitt on **07960 648288**

Plus **Meadows 'East Midlands in Bloom' Planning Meeting**, Wednesday 20th June, 7pm, Meadows Library, to plan the judging route/event for Tuesday 10th July at 2pm. People are needed to help this year's entry go as well as possible. Please contact: Guy Jones, Community Engagement Worker, Meadows Partnership Trust, Tel: **07930279398**.

Training, Volunteering and Job Vacancies

- **Introduction to Planning and Delivering Community Development Training.** FREE 2-day training to develop an awareness of participatory and inclusive methods of planning, delivering and evaluating short Community Development taster sessions. A Vegetarian lunch is provided. Tuesday 17th & Wednesday 18th July, 9.30 am – 4pm Queens Walk Community Centre, Queens Walk, The Meadow, Nottingham, NG2 2DF For more information call and to book your place: 0115 9159255. ***This project is not targeted at statutory/private sector employees but some places may be available for a small charge of £25 if there are places available. Priority will be given to free places for community and voluntary sector participants.***

- **First Contact multi-agency training event**, Thursday 5th July 10am – 12.30pm at Gedling Borough Council Civic Centre. Find out about First Contact's support services for county residents aged 60+years, their referral service and partner agencies. To book a place on the course please contact Karl Stirland, Assistant First Contact Coordinator on 0115 969 9060 ext 105 or email firstcontact@rushcliffecvs.org.uk .
- **Ecoworks Wednesday Project** has a large allotment plot at Hungerhill Gardens in St Ann's, and run gardening groups for refugees and asylum seekers on Wednesdays 11.00am to 3.00pm. Please ring: Mobile: **0797 3116291** Mobile: **0754 5331255**, or visit the [website](#).
- **Time to Change** is running a series of "speaking out" training sessions during July 2012. The sessions are for people with experience of mental health problems, who would like to share their stories in public to help break down stigma. Participants will learn how to develop their public speaking skills and represent Time to Change in front of different audiences. For more information please visit their [website](#).
- **The NAVO Weekly Vacancy E-bulletin** in collaboration with Bassetlaw CVS, Gedling CVS, Mansfield CVS, Newark & Sherwood CVS, RCAN and Rushcliffe CVS is now ready for your [perusal](#).
- **Edale Rise Primary & Nursery School Sneinton** are recruiting a new Family and Community Co-coordinator. For more details please visit the [website](#).
- **The Nutrition Team, Nottingham CityCare Partnership** are offering a training programme called **Eatwell Nottingham** which is delivered by a team of registered nutritionists experienced in delivering successful community nutrition projects and training courses. All courses start at 9.30am and finish at 3.30pm. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to the start time to register. Refreshments will be provided on the day but please bring along some lunch. For more information contact: The Nutrition Team, Nottingham CityCare Partnership, Suite 6, 2nd Floor, Aspect House, Aspect Business Park, Bennerley Road, Bulwell, Nottingham NG6 8WR. Tel: **0115 883 4291** Email: clair.morley@nottinghamcitycare.nhs.uk
- **Nottingham Contemporary Volunteers needed** to support the gallery's Family Programme. Contact Saima to find out more on **0115 9489783** or email: saima@nottinghamcontemporary.org

Useful Newsletters/Websites

- **The EMSMP Briefing** - What are migrant workers' experiences of forced labour and exploitation in the UK food industry? Report from the Joseph Rowntree Foundation plus other updates available on the website at <http://www.emcouncils.gov.uk/Partnership-Briefing>
- **The latest Rushcliffe Community and Volunteering Newsletter** is now available. This includes FREE first aid training from the British Red Cross. Do visit their [website](#).
- Check out the **Gedling CVS ebulletin** here <http://www.gedlingcv.org.uk/our-services/information/ebulletin/> for Events, Networks, Training, Resources and more Sector news in the Gedling area.
- **Equality and Diversity Forum eNewsletter** which includes - The Universal Periodic Review of UK's human rights record.
- **Rushcliffe Together (formerly Rushcliffe Community Cohesion Network) E Bulletin** To celebrate National Carers Week, 18th-24th June join the FEE drop-in for Carers at Keyworth Library Church Drive, Keyworth, Nottingham NG12 5FF on Monday 18th June 2012, 10am to 12pm. Carers will be able to enjoy 'Unwind with words' - relaxing short readings and free refreshments. For more E Bulletin information please go to the [website](#).
- **Nottingham Community and Voluntary Service (NCVS)** - You can promote your event, new project or news through the NCVS bulletin if it involves the voluntary sector in Nottingham. They also advertise voluntary sector job vacancies. It's all free! Email the details to: communications@nottinghamcv.org.uk by **1pm on Thursday** to be considered for that week's bulletin. Do also visit the website for the latest [E-news](#).