# Northumberland FACT Sheet



working together for the voluntary & community sector in Northumberland

# **Useful Contacts**

## **Northumberland Primary Infrastructure Organisations**

Northumberland has three local infrastructure organisations, Community Action Northumberland, Community & Voluntary Action Northumberland and Wansbeck Centre for Voluntary Service who can offer advice and support to the Voluntary and Community Sector in Northumberland.

## **Community Action Northumberland**

**Morpeth Office** 

UNIUN Enterprise Building Front Street Pegswood Morpeth Northumberland NE61 6RG 01670 517178 info@ca-north.org.uk www.ca-north.org.uk **Berwick Office** 

Christine Nicholls 01289 304141 christinenicholls@ca-north.org.uk

# **Community & Voluntary Action Blyth Valley**

22 Beaconsfield Street Blyth Northumberland NE24 2DP 01670 353623 info@cvabv.org.uk www.cvabv.org.uk

## **Wansbeck Centre for Voluntary Service**

107 & 109 Station Road Ashington Northumberland NE63 8RS 01670 858688 enquire@wansbeckcvs.org.uk www.wansbeckcvs.org.uk

#### **Local Contacts**

Below are details of a range of useful contacts in Northumberland.

## **Berwick Voluntary Forum**

Provides office accommodation and networking services to the voluntary sector in Berwick.

Tel: 01289 332058

www.berwickvoluntaryforum.org.uk

#### **BECON**

Black Ethnic Minority Community Organisations Network in the North East, representing black ethnic community organisations

Tel: 0191 27 22 339

Email: email information@becon.org.uk

www.becon.org.uk

#### **Families Information Services**

Provides a range of impartial information for parents and carers.

Freephone: 0800 023 4440

Email: fis@northumberland.gov.uk

www.northumberland.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=1926

#### **FONDT**

The Federation of Northumberland Development Trusts (FONDT) supports and encourages the establishment of a development trust in every community throughout Northumberland <a href="https://www.fondt.org">www.fondt.org</a>

## Northumberland County Council (NCC)

NCC provides information for visitors and residents, including the Council and its Councillors, businesses and links.

Telephone: 0845 600 6400

Email: ask@northumberland.gov.uk

www.northumberland.gov.uk

#### **Northumberland Association of Local Councils**

The Northumberland Association of Local Councils (NALC) represents the interests of town and parish councils in Northumberland.

Email: davidfrancis@ca-north.org.uk

www.ca-north.org.uk

# North Northumberland Village Hall Consortium

Aims to help village and community halls serve their communities even more effectively

Email: admin@nnvhc.org.uk

www.nnvhc.org.uk

# Northumberland Community Development Network (NCDN)

NCDN supports community development in Northumberland.

Telephone: 01668 219879 Email: info@ncdn.org

www.ncdn.org

## **Social Enterprise Northumberland (SEN)**

Social Enterprise Northumberland has provided a comprehensive support package to social enterprises across Northumberland since 2004.

Contact: Tony Kirsop

Email: Tony.Kirsop@northumberland.gov.uk Tel: 01670 624744 / Mob: 07917 266864 /

www. northumberland.gov.uk/default.aspx?page=561

## **Volunteering Northumberland**

Volunteering Northumberland aims to promote, support and develop volunteering across Northumberland and is an accredited volunteer centre through Volunteering England and covers all of Northumberland.

Tel: 01670 858 688

Email: info@volunteeringnorthumberland.org.uk

www.volunteeringnorthumberland.org.uk

## **Voluntary Organisations Network North East (VONNE)**

The regional infrastructure body for the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) in the North East of England.

Tel: 0191 233 2000

Email: vonne@vonne.org.uk2

www.vonne.org.uk

## **West Northumberland Community Buildings Consortium**

WNCBC is a charitable organisation set up to represent all village halls and community buildings of any type within the West Northumberland area.

Email: michael@elphicks.plus.com www.westnorthumberlandcbc.org.uk

#### Government

Below provides details of useful government websites.

#### **Central Government**

New website to find information on government services.

www.gov.uk

#### **Home Office**

Government department responsible for internal affairs in England and Wales. www.homeoffice.gov.uk

#### **National Bodies**

Below provides details of a range of national bodies.

## **Action with Communities in Rural England**

The national umbrella body of the Rural Community Action Network (RCAN), which supports rural communities across the country.

www.acre.org.uk

## **CharityComms**

CharityComms has a directory of resources covering internal communications, publications, media relations, marketing, new media, campaigning, public affairs and policy to name a few. www.charitycomms.org.uk

## **Charity Commission**

The Charity Commission registers and regulates charities in England and Wales. Offering advice and provides a wide range of services and guidance to organisations run as effectively as possible.

www.charitycommission.gov.uk

### **Charities Evaluation Services**

Have a range of guides on quality assurance, monitoring and evaluation. Some of these are free to download from their website.

www.ces-vol.org.uk

## **Community Matters**

Community Matters champions voluntary and community action at neighbourhood level, as a means of local people taking control of issues in their area and fostering community spirit. www.communitymatters.org.uk

## GetLegal

Free online reference and decision-making tool for charities, social enterprises and co-operative organisations.

www.getlegal.org.uk

# Information Commissioner's Office (ICO)

The UK's independent authority set up to uphold information rights in the public interest, promoting openness by public bodies and data privacy for individuals. ico.org.uk

# **My Community Starter**

My Community Starter provides free information on legal matters and health and safety tips. Useful for very small and straightforward community activities but look elsewhere if you are considering a larger project.

www.mycommunitystarter.co.uk

# **National Association for Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA)**

The national voice of local support and development organisations in England www.navca.org.uk

# National Council for Voluntary Organisations (NCVO)

NCVO champions and strengthens the voluntary sector. www.ncvo-vol.org.uk

# **National Council for Voluntary Youth Services (NCVYS)**

Independent national body which represents and supports voluntary organisations working with young people in England. www.ncvys.org.uk

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## **National Youth Agency (NYA)**

This interactive website run by the National Youth Agency (NYA) is a tool for practitioners, policy makers and young people to share the challenges and issues surrounding the 'Aiming High for Young People' ten year strategy for young people.

www.nya.org.uk

#### Safe Network

Safe Network helps to keep children safe when taking part in activities - from after school art clubs to weekend reading groups and more - outside the home.

www.safenetwork.org.uk

## **Volunteering England**

Have information on policy, research, innovation, good practice and programme management in the involvement of volunteers.

www.volunteering.org.uk

#### **Know How Non Profit**

Website based information and guidance site on every aspect of running a non profit organisation. www.knowhownonprofit.org.

For useful contacts regarding funding please refer to Fact Sheet 11 Searching for Funding.

For more information, advice and support contact the LDA covering your area.

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Registered Company No 5860971 Registered Charity No 1116430

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