

# **V**oluntary **A**dvice **A**gencies **F**orum

Kensington & Chelsea Social Council (KCSC) co-ordinates four Voluntary Organisations Forums (VOFs) which are open to all voluntary and community organisations, that work in or serve the Royal Borough of Kensington and Chelsea. We also co-ordinate VAAF meetings for advice agencies in the borough

We welcome a wide range of diverse organisations to attend the forums to ensure key issues which impact on the community are discussed.

## **The VAAF meetings provide you with an opportunity to:**

- Find out how the ‘**Advice Now**’ Project funded to strengthen support provision in the borough can work for your organisation
- Discuss issues around information, advice and guidance which affect your organisation and your service users
- Get inside news and expert views from speakers on topics relevant to your work
- Voice your views and meet decision makers in the borough

## **You will benefit from:**

- ❖ Learning about funding and partnership opportunities
- ❖ Finding out about training and capacity building opportunities
- ❖ Meeting other people and organisations
- ❖ Knowing what other organisations and are doing in the borough

## **THE NEXT VAAF MEETING WILL BE HELD ON:**

**THURSDAY 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2011**

**2.30PM – 4.30PM**

**at**

**KENSINGTON TOWN HALL**

**COMMITTEE ROOM 1**

**If you have users of your service who live in Kensington and Chelsea and may be affected by the capping of housing benefit then this VAAF Meeting will be vital.**

**In addition Carers UK will be providing a short presentation on their new service.**

**Finally a representative from the Big Lottery Fund, Susan Connor will be sitting in on the meeting so if you would like to meet her after the meeting please contact Harry Tedstone from Advice Now on [harry@advicenow-kc.co.uk](mailto:harry@advicenow-kc.co.uk).**

**Please also contact Harry or Angela Spence from KCSC at [angela@kcsc.org.uk](mailto:angela@kcsc.org.uk) to confirm your attendance at this meeting**

# VOLUNTARY ADVICE AGENCIES FORUM (VAAF)

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2011

Kensington Town Hall  
Committee Room 1  
2.30pm – 4.30pm

## AGENDA

Chair: Jane Gray

2.15pm		Arrival and Tea/Coffee
2.30pm	1.	Welcome, Introductions & Apologies
2.35pm	2.	Minutes of the last meeting & Matters arising
2.40pm	3.	Presentation and discussion on how changes to housing benefit will be implemented within Kensington and Chelsea  Robert Armstrong & Andrew Wilson; RBKC
3.20pm	4.	Presentation and discussion on the new Carers Service in Kensington and Chelsea  Jean French; Carers UK
3.45pm	5.	Update from members on current services and issues for discussion
4.10pm	6.	Dates of future VAAF Meetings  Chair
4.20pm	7.	Proposed agenda items for future VAAF meetings
4.25pm	8.	AOB
4.30pm	9.	Close