

The COMPACT

DO YOU KNOW?

What is The Compact

- A. A grant given to the voluntary sector
- B. A commitment made between the private sector and the voluntary and community sector to work together
- C. An agreement reached between the voluntary and statutory sector which defines how they work together and behave towards each other.
- D. None of the Above:

What is the Compact?

The Compact is an agreement reached between the VCS and statutory bodies. It defines how we both work together and behave towards each other.

It describes the code of conduct expected to be adhered to.

It is an agreement between organisations and not individuals

What the Compact is not

Compact is not a contract or service level agreement and is not in the statute book.

However there is a legitimate expectation that the both parties will abide by the commitments and undertakings contained within the Compact.

There is a case to answer if a Compact breach occurs.

What are current 4 shared principles contained within the Kensington and Chelsea Compact

- A. Diversity and Equality, Funding, Getting to work on time and Challenging decisions
- B. Working in partnership, Diversity and Equality, Independence and Volunteering
- C. Volunteering, Environmentally Friendly, Meeting deadlines and Staff Development

The 4 shared principles contained within the Kensington and Chelsea Compact

Working in partnership

Diversity and Equality

Independence

Volunteering

The Compact – Review of the Undertakings

They play an important role in helping to set policy and getting local bodies to understand the value of the work of the voluntary and community sector.

Do the undertakings still feel relevant?

What could be added / changed?

- Social Value?
- Clinical Commissioning Groups?
- Consortia
- Payment by Results

Working in partnership

This section recognises that effective partnership working between sectors will lead to greater understanding of the needs of the community and better services for all.

Undertakings by the public sector:

- 1) To respect the independence of the voluntary and community sector, including their right to campaign on issues that affect their beneficiaries, regardless of any financial or other relationship with the public sector.
- 2) To recognise that voluntary and community sector organisations attract significant funding to the Royal Borough, and to ensure that relationships with the sector support the ability of organisations to raise these additional resources.
- 3) To support the role of infrastructure organisations in helping frontline voluntary and community organisations to engage effectively with the public sector.
- 4) To consult with the voluntary and community sector at the earliest possible stage when planning and developing policies, programmes and services that affect their areas of work. To give early notice of forthcoming consultations (where possible), allowing enough time for organisations to engage their service users, beneficiaries, members, volunteers and trustees.

Undertakings by the voluntary and community sector:

- 1) To remain focused on their charitable aims and objectives, regardless of any financial or other relationship with the public sector.
- 2) To campaign and advocate responsibly, based on robust evidence.
- 3) To promote consultation and community engagement and actively seek the views of service users, beneficiaries, members, volunteers and trustees. Where appropriate, to provide a channel for the views of residents.
- 4) To ensure that the views expressed as a result of involvement are conveyed accurately, giving feedback to the community they serve on the outcome of the consultation.
- 5) To participate in joint working groups and partnerships where they are of relevance to the organisation and its beneficiaries and where resources allow.

The Compact Implementation Group and Compact Champions
