**VCSE Assembly**

**Tuesday 22nd July 2025 10:30am-1:00pm**

**Forum@PQ, Princes Quay, Hull, HU1 2PQ**

**Attendees**

Pippa Robson (Forum CIO), Amy Hallett (Forum), Yanina Ferreira Chicaiza (Forum CIO), Kersty Smith (Hull CVS), Rhianna Smith (Hull CVS), W. Alexander (Warm Homes HCC), A. Ayẹni (KULTUR RIVER C.I.C), L. Beadle (Bora Shabaa), J. Boyd (EMS), S. Brook-McClean (Hull Women’s Aid), S. Calver (Sutton Methodist Warm Welcome), C. Champlin (PFH), T. Fatoki (HANA), D. Hamilton (Goodwin), A. Hickson (Central & West Methodist Church), V.Hillier (Fitmums), I. Judson (Jack Harrison Charitable Trust), R. Lewis (Rise Walled Garden), T. Makinde (Yoruba Group), L. McClements (MIND), S. Metcalfe (MHA), R. Mirambo (Boys & Fathers), A.Norsworthy (Humber Teaching Hospitals), P. Oluotch (HCAS), J. Oraka (TJ Consultancy and Training), A. Peak (COSMO), P. Saied (Tornaj), L. Saunders (West Hull Community Hub) , M. Scott (Green Doctors), N. Spikings (AGEUK), P. Spooner (MaxLife), K. Stanford (CISS), Z. Tasdemir (Summit Education),E. Touplin (HAADS), A. Train (Pride in Hull), H.Williams (Blossom), L. White (CISS), E. Whitty (HEY Volnteering), M. Wright (HEY RSPCA), P. Vincent (Homestart)

**Apologies:** Claire Balfour (Sight Support), Dave Murgatroyd (Asylum Seeker & Refugee Support), Councillor Henry, Charlotte Dunstan (Home start), Graham Armstrong (Hull Model Railway), Thomas Agnew (Wolf Pack theatre)

1. **Welcome & Housekeeping -Pippa Robson**
2. **Introductions – All attendees**
3. **Check in activity and discussion – Pippa Robson - All organisations**

Check in activity led by Pippa Robson

*(i) Does your organisation use risk assessments?*

*(ii) Do you know when you need a risk assessment?*

If you need further support on this, you can email [help@sectorconnecthull.org.uk](mailto:help@sectorconnecthull.org.uk)

1. **3-minute speakers from VCSE Organisations**

3-minute speakers from organisations gave a short update on what they do and their organisations

**Humber Teaching Trust Research Team – Angela Norsworthy**

<https://www.humber.nhs.uk/>

Angela would like to get to know what organisations are doing and if there is a chance to work collaboratively. You can email Angela at [angela.norsworthy@nhs.net](mailto:angela.norsworthy@nhs.net)

**Pride in Hull – Andy Train**

<https://prideinhull.co.uk/>

Hull Pride will be taking place on Saturday 26th July from 12 – 6pm. Visit their website to find out more.

[info@prideinhull.co.uk](mailto:info@prideinhull.co.uk)

**RSPCA Hull & East Riding CIO – Matthew Wright**

<https://rspcahull.org.uk/>

If you’re interested in having a conversation with Matt, you can contact him at [matt.wright@rspcahull.org.uk](mailto:matt.wright@rspcahull.org.uk)

1. **Sector Connect Update - Rhianna Smith**

Rhianna from Sector Connect Hull gave a presentation on current funding opportunities and training sessions. See slides for further information.

<https://northbankforum.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Sector-Connect-Update-22.07.2025.pdf>

1. **Speaker – Kersty Smith – Hull CVS**

Kersty from Hull CVS discussed the Volunteer Academy Programme. See slides for further information.

<https://northbankforum.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Hull-CVS-Updates-22.07.2025.pdf>

1. **Carers Information and Support Service (CISS) – Kelly Stanford**

Discussion ensued around translation interpreters for the training session as AI systems can sometimes lose the translated meaning. CISS use AI Global and received positive feedback. See slides for further information.

<https://northbankforum.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/CISS-22.07.2025.pdf>

1. **Forum CIO - Pippa Robson**

Pippa gave an overview on the Hull and East Yorkshire Combined Authority (HEYCA) see slides for further information.

<https://northbankforum.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Hull-and-East-Yorkshire-Combined-Authority-22.07.2025.pdf>

1. **Hull City Council, Warm Home – Wendy Alexander**

Wendy talked about the different grants the Warm Homes Team offer. See slides for further information.

<https://northbankforum.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2025/07/Warm-Homes-Team-22.07.2025.pdf>

1. **VCSE Organisation Updates**

**PFH – Health and wellbeing event:**

Orchard Garth, 6th August, 10:30AM - <https://www.pfh.org.uk/event/health-and-wellbeing-information-event-orchard-garth/>

David Lister Drive, 20th August, 10:30AM - <https://www.pfh.org.uk/event/health-and-wellbeing-information-event-david-lister-drive/>

**Post Meeting foot note**

*The Assembly is a place to network and appreciate you will bring leaflets with you. May we please ask if you are sharing leaflets, you do this in the break and collect any leftover leaflets at the end of the Assembly as we do not have any space to store these, and they will be disposed of. Thank you for your understanding*

**Date of Next Assembly:**

14/8/25 2pm Forum@PQ

*If you would like to speak at the Assembly we have spaces on the following dates, please contact Linda Conway,* [*linda@forumcio.org.uk*](mailto:linda@forumcio.org.uk)

*Apologies, all slots for the 10/15 minutes have now all been booked except for the following for 3 minutes:*

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| **3minutes on your organisation**  **3 organisations per Assembly** |
| 9/12/25 |
| 15/1/25 |
| 10/2/25 |
| 26/3/25 |