

# VOYC MEMBER E-BULLETIN

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## INTRODUCTION

Most people reading this will be aware that Trustees must take reasonable steps to protect your charity's beneficiaries, staff, volunteers and those connected with the activities of the charity from harm. If you are a Charity Trustee, then please be aware that the Charity Commission have recently updated (1<sup>st</sup> August 2018) their [guidelines](#) "Safeguarding duties for Charity Trustees". You can find the document by following the link but if you want to learn more VOYC are running a [training course](#) that covers this subject on the 21st November.

Mark Goodman

## NEWS FROM VOYC MEMBERS

**Space and Young Devon** are awarded DCC's pilot scheme to support asylum seeking children in Devon. DCC has commissioned Space, which used to be Devon Youth Service, and Young Devon, to support asylum seeking children in the county.

The pilot scheme will train volunteers and mentors to help support the children in their new homes, schools and local communities.

[Read more.](#)

**The Plough Arts Centre** has announced the opening of a Youth Theatre in St Anne's in the centre of Barnstable on Saturday mornings from 10.30 am to 12.30 am. It is open to all children between the ages of 8 and 12 years, this can include children up to their 13th birthday. For more information or to book a place please contact the booking office on 01805 624624.

## TRAINING

### VOYC SAFEGUARDING

9TH NOVEMBER 9.30 – 4.30  
GROUP 3 CHILD PROTECTION FOR DESIGNATED SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS IS BEING HELD AT THE DEVON YFC RURAL HUB AT CHERITON BISHOP – JUST 2 PLACES LEFT!

16TH NOVEMBER 9.30 – 12.45  
SAFE RECRUITMENT AWARENESS AT THE 100 CLUB WEAR BARTON ROAD, EXETER.

21ST NOVEMBER 13.00 – 16.30  
TRUSTEES AND MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEMBER SAFEGUARDING AT THE 100 CLUB WEAR BARTON ROAD EXETER.

MORE DETAILS ON ALL OF THE ABOVE CAN BE FOUND [HERE](#).

### OTHER TRAINING

Pete's Dragons have a new timetable of Suicide Awareness and Prevention Courses through the Autumn. They have now introduced SuicideTALK as well. This is a 90 minute presentation on discussion on introducing the topic of suicide, its prevalence and trying to encourage people to feel more comfortable discussing it. It does also provide some guidance on what to do if they think someone they know is feeling suicidal, but not as much detail. All bookings or enquiries to [admin@petesdragons.org.uk](mailto:admin@petesdragons.org.uk) 01395 277780

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## THE DEVON CHILDREN AND FAMILIES PARTNERSHIP (DCFP)

Find details about the DCFP training and events here. The DCFP are now using a new booking system called del digital learning for all the training courses that they provide. Click [here](#) to link to the booking system.

### Early Help Creative Conversation Day

On Wednesday 17th October there will be a Creative Conversation day at the Kenn Centre near Exeter. This is an exciting opportunity to bring together a wide range of professionals and commissioners from health, education and social care, as well as parents/carers and children/young people, to explore the need to improve access to communication services and support across the whole of Devon.

For more information and to book your place click [here](#).

## NATIONAL POLICY UPDATE

### Quality early year's provision 'leads to fewer emotional difficulties'

Spending more time in good-quality early year's settings helps children develop skills to manage their emotions and build positive relationships with others, research has shown. [The Research](#) conducted as part of the ongoing Study of Early Education and Development (SEED) tracked 3,930 children and their families to discover how different forms of early childhood education and care (ECEC) affect cognitive and socio-emotional development.

### Uniformed youth groups to expand with £5m funding boost

A further £5m has been set aside to uniformed youth groups to expand into deprived areas and offer places to vulnerable young people, the government has announced. The money, from the Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport, will be managed and distributed by the Youth United Foundation, to support expansion of police cadets, Scouts, Guides and faith-based organisations. The aim is to create an additional 5,500 places. [More details](#).

## DIARY

### 17<sup>th</sup> October 2018

Early Help Improvement Programme Creative Conversation day at the Kenn Centre.

### 5-11 November

The Youth Work Week 2018 theme will be What is Youth Work...?

### 8th November

The next South West Youth Impact Network meeting, 10.30 – 3pm at Tiverton Youth Centre. The agenda will include 'Linking Quality and Positive Outcomes for young people';

### 15th November

SEND Parent Information Event at Woodlands Park School, Ivybridge, Devon PL21 9TF, 10am -12 noon. Book here.

## FUNDING

Details of a range of funders can be found at the DCC Charitable Funding Streams webpage.

ZURICH COMMUNITY TRUST - LOCAL GRANTS PROGRAMME, MAX. VALUE: £ 5,000. DEADLINE: 12 OCT 2018

Visit their [Website](#) for more details.

## JOB VACANCIES

See the [VOYC Website](#).