

1. Action log - finding a Chair for the OC Group

Marie (NDVS) shared that DCC Cllr Caroline Leaver (also the new Chair of DCC) has expressed interest in becoming Chair of this group but would first like to know more about the role).

Feedback from OC group.

Some members voiced uncertainty with a political representative. However, it was raised that this could benefit the OCs if they were Influential and could advocate for the OCs, sharing the values and vision of the OCs.

We want a chair that is....

- Impartial
- Someone who is already familiar with OCs but not aligned (Non-political / aligned with organisation)

We would be happy for those interested to be invited as non-participating guest to get to know the One Communities.

OC Group Chairperson role description

- JL to share with OND Board
- OC group members to share with One Community members and wider

2. Presentations

2.1 Care direct plus (Donna Comer, DCC Adult social care)

- What is Care Direct+
- What are Social Care Assessors - telephone based assessment centre
- Discuss - Care Direct+ previously had a community connector who would advise and coordinate all local services and keep us updated with changes to services. This role no longer exists, so our social care assessors need to understand better what is available across north devon.

Ask

- Gap in local knowledge, we require information of what's available so we can coordinate the information that is provided. **JL to share PCN lead contact details with Donna Comer, CAre Direct Plus**
 - CD+ Monthly team meeting
 - Reaching for independence staff can attend OC meetings/events
 - Devon Connect platform
 - Offer to host CD+ / share information
 - PCN H&W lead meetings / Social Prescriber contact details
 - Holsworthy Ruby County - Stuart Lord
 - Coastal - Becky Brady
 - Barnstaple - Sarah Milton
 - Bideford - Rae Doe
- Opportunity to share insight with OC to inform priorities

2.2 Emergency Planning & Community Resilience (Alex, Miles - North Devon Council)

- Thank you for allowing me to speak at yesterday's meeting. I am speaking with North Devon Voluntary Services next week on the same topic. We will be circulating the survey towards the end of this month. Bev or I will make sure you receive a link for the survey.
- See NDDC's [Emergency Planning Presentation](#)

- Discussion - how the District Council can reach out to community groups to gain an understanding of those that step up to provide support to communities during emergency incidents and the support they provide. (District Council has a duty to gather and share information on local amenities with Communities)
- Please note - NDDC will be sending out surveys the end of June 2025 and would appreciate the OC support in sharing these to help them.
- Community Emergency Hubs - a place for communities to gather to get support in a community

Ask from OC group

- How do you define an emergency? When a '[Major incident \(Category 1\)](#)' is triggered
- Council are welcome to attend the OC group meetings - JL to share CD emails for Alex to arrange attendance at local OC meetings.
- How much the local authority would need VCSE to commit to support an emergency response
- Knowledge of community assets that could be used in an emergency (sharing emergency plan, power sources, food, water etc)

Active Devon

Event on 24th June C&YP supporting through physical activity - email hannah.shackleton@activedevon.org to get tickets

NDDC

- Event - look at the new space in Green lanes, Barnstaple - Tues 17th June
- Consultation platform - working with Emily (OSM) to engage with children and young people

Libraries Unlimited

- Barnstaple and Braunton won an award for how much happens within the local library
- Climate funding £1.5million New vacancy - full time, see Libraries website

3.0 Reflection activity - Ripple Mapping

- We all shared changes we have noticed in ourselves (personal), member organisations, and in the wider community. We will continue to build on this, sharing knowledge to build a picture together of the change we notice as a result of the One Communities. Thanks for your input.