

Welcome to the Together in Sussex Newsletter

Sharing action across Sussex

March 2019

Mental Health and Wellbeing Facilitator

Welcome to Elle Weaver

Together in Sussex is delighted welcome **Elle Weaver** to the team as our Mental Health and Wellbeing Facilitator. Elle will be helping churches across the Diocese to respond to some of the needs they are experiencing with regard to mental health, both within the church congregation and in the wider community.

Elle would be more than happy to talk to you and can be contacted by email: <u>elle.weaver@chichester.anglican.org</u> or by phone on 07751873735.

Watch this space for forthcoming events and resources - and if you have a particular resource focusing on wellbeing that you would be happy to share with others, please let **Elle** know.

Funding opportunities and grant providers

Check out the following sources of funding to help support your community action project:

Deutsche Bank Awards for Creative Enterprise (DBACE)

£50,000 prize fund. £100,000 worth of business support. 5 winners. Deutsche Bank is working with MeWe360 to relaunch DBACE. Seeking young talent wanting to drive social impact through their creative enterprise.

Deadline for applications: 31 March

Curiosity Fund

Grants from £10,000 to £120,000 for science activities to engage disadvantaged children and young people

Deadline for applications: 12 April at 11:59 pm

A little light reading

There is an excellent new report from the think tank *Theos* looking at debt https://

www.theosthinktank.co.uk/cmsfiles/Forgive-Us-Our-Debts Report.pdf

The report is the culmination of a year–long research project by Theos in partnership with St Paul's Institute. Drawing on Christian ethical teaching on lending and borrowing, interest and usury, "Forgive Us Our Debts" offers a series of ethical principles as a framework for reimagining debt relations – to make them fairer, more inclusive, and more clearly aligned with the common good.

If you don't have time to read the whole report, take a look at some of the headline findings or watch the summary.

There is also a very interesting <u>video</u> of the conference held at St Paul's Institute around the issue of debt - well worth settling down with a coffee and watching!

Local projects

Horsham

Do you live in Horsham? This might be one for you:

The Voluntary Sector Support Team at Horsham District Council would like to invite anyone involved in community projects to:

FAITH IN ACTION Tuesday 30th April, 4pm-6pm Sellwood Centre at Dalesdown

- network with other faith organisations
- map activities
- learn about support available from Voluntary Sector Support
- share experiences & good practice
- explore how we can support & work together

To book a free ticket please click on: https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/gaith-in-action-

tickets-55020039419 Tickets are available to volunteers, trustees and paid staff - all are welcome.

If you'd like further information please call Liz Burt on 01403 215517 / 07796996408 or email:

Liz.Burt@horsham.gov.uk

Eastbourne

Volunteer Chaplains

YMCA Downslink Group

YMCA Downslink is looking to recruit volunteer chaplains to support young people living in local YMCA hostels in Eastbourne. Read more...

Talking of videos, there have been some interesting films made recently which may stimulate thoughts about your communities:

Churches that Change Communities (Jubilee +)

Watch <u>Bishop Philip North's address</u> considering how churches have the unique ability to change communities, challenging us to ensure that we do not neglect the most vulnerable in our communities.

Women tell their story.

A group of women use everyday items to tell of the sacrifices and difficult choices they face, and the community initiatives they have launched in an attempt to tackle the shame surrounding poverty.

Resources

Clewer Initiative

Clewer have developed two safeguarding and modern slavery courses, take a look here to find out more.

Hidden Voices resource. Would you like your church to be better informed around the issues of Modern Slavery? This might be the resource for you, watch a short video <u>here</u> giving more detail.

Getting connected

Follow the link <u>here</u> and help people in your parish get tablets and smartphones, TVs and radios.

Make Change Matter

This is a free mediation service free mediation service for anyone in your community who is in conflict and wants support to work things out. Let <u>Diane</u> know if you'd like more detail.

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