

Key points from reference Group meeting held on Wednesday 5 October 2016 at Waitrose in Worcester

Present: Michael Hunter, Cat Illingworth, Kate Walton, Derek Markie, Roger Britton, John Taylor, Jonathan Sutton, Karen Edwards, and Carole Cumino

Apologies: Mark Jackson, Doug Chaplin, Jim Smith, Lorraine Preece, Gary Roskell, Philip Gerard, Jenny Gage, Tonia Enderbury, Richard Quallington, Kate Harvey, and Philip Talbot (and Jane Longmore who was substituting)

Prevent: Paul Kinsella (WCC) and James Bryon (Police) briefed the group on Prevent – their PowerPoint slides are attached. There is a duty on statutory bodies and those who hold contracts but there is also a need for vigilance from everyone. There are two useful sites mentioned at the end of the presentation.

Paul and James offered to run short briefings for the VCS – contact [pkinsella@worcestershire.gov.uk](mailto:pkinsella@worcestershire.gov.uk)  
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**VCS Conference – 7th December** – programme falling into place and more information would be available soon – targeting the whole of the sector not just larger groups.

We have had requests from public sector to have input (including on Prevent). The programme in sessions was focussing on community but as part of networking ‘stands’ might be available over lunchtime. Not sure about the availability of space – a leaflet stand or small number of displays. VCS groups would be invited too but not to ‘sell themselves’ rather to highlight what they are doing which might highlight ideas to stimulate others.

Business Breakfast: Request for follow up at our conference. No other details at the time of the meeting but link received afterwards <https://www.finditinworcestershire.com/events/finditinworcestershire-breakfast-meeting-social-value-working-with-the-voluntary-and-community-sector>

Worcestershire Data Sharing Project: This is being led by Police with a number of strands – briefing sheet was circulated prior to the meeting.

More clarity was required before the VCS could commit to joining in the work. We should not underestimate the ‘value’ of the data the sector holds and not just ‘give it away’. Michael would feedback to public sector partners.

STP: Carole asked for a stand at the conference to provide updates on the STP.

Follow up from Clare Marchant; An email arrived during the meeting from Jo Charles saying that she, Hannah Needham and Sander Kristel (Interim Director of Adults) we meeting to progress.

**Extending Your Life Your Choice** website to include information and advice for Children and Families.

Concerns that the site does not work properly for the current content – would it achieve its objective of supporting families. As a first step Michael is going to the YLYC Board meeting on Tuesday 11th.