

involve Event Survey 2015

There were 39 respondents and their answers are detailed below.

Do you think involve should run events for the Community and Voluntary Sector (CVS)? Answered 39

Yes 92.31%

Maybe 7.69%

No 0%

Comments

- News and information affecting carers
- Only way to network and be informed. Community lunches are great
- Community lunches are usually good for meeting people/making contacts and hearing a speaker
- It would depend on how many organisations support the events

Would you prefer? Answered 37 skipped 2

Monthly event 13.51%

A quarterly event 81.08%

An annual event 5.41%

Comments

- The frequency should be relevant to the event and availability of those organising it, don't hold an event for the sake of it.
- As soon as changes are announced.
- It might be worth trying one and judging the support going forward.
- Now that the ascot retirement fair is no more could you run something similar every year?

Who should attend community events? Answered 37 Skipped 2

The Community and Voluntary sector 16.22%

The CVS and statutory organisations 8.11%

Anyone who is interested 75.68%

Comments

- Get greater visibility invite dignitaries/celebrities/special guests and the media
- All carers services in the district
- The Field it is aimed towards, as well as clients/users groups
- Again, I would be concerned as to what the support would be
- Business government police etc
- Q5 refers to small numbers attending. This maybe because of timing, location, transport for example. Maybe you could consider running events that are either targeted at particular areas of interest, e.g. support for a particular section of the community or maybe targeted for an area particularly now that involve covers Wokingham as well as Bracknell. Maybe personal invites to specific events relevant to certain interests rather a general broadcast. We all know that face to face or personal contact has more impact and this might apply to these sessions also. I personally have usually found them useful.

What part of day would suit you best to enable you to attend an involve event?

Answered 35 Skipped 4

Morning 45.71%

Afternoon 54.29%

Evening 34.29%

Comments

- Monday to Friday as weekend is generally family time any day of the week
- Any week day
- Tuesday or Thursday
- Various
- Varies on what else I already do
- Tues/Weds/Thurs
- Wednesday
- It does depend on the event as to the best time, mornings suit me but of course not everyone.
- No preference - all options both attract and deter attendees
- Mon - Fri
- Try at each time
- Any
- Mon-Fri
- Weekend or any evening
- Varies - fulltime job is 24/7 shifts
- Tuesday/end of the week/Saturday
- Saturday

What day of the week would suit you best for an involve event? Please specify actual day in the box below. Answered 30 skipped 9

Beginning of the week 60.00%

End of the week 33.33%

Weekends 6.67%

Comments

- Tuesday
- Monday to Friday, however I have numerous commitments so its not all about me, you will never get everyone to agree the date, so go ahead with it
- Wednesday
- Thursday-Friday
- Tuesday
- Depends
- See previous note
- Tues/Weds/Thurs
- Wednesday
- Not possible to predict
- All three boxes
- Thursday
- Mon-Thurs
- Any, but avoiding Sundays in the spring and summer
- Monday or Tuesday
- Wednesday
- Monday - Friday
- Any

Would you prefer to attend an event that has catering? Answered 39

Yes it is important to me that food is available. 5.13%

No I don't care about there being food available. 33.33%

Depends on the time of day. 61.54%

Comments

- Yes
- yes
- yes
- yes
- Yes
- yes
- Yes
- Yes

- Yes
- yes
- Yes
- Yes
- yes
- yes

What topics would you most like to learn about or discuss at this event?

26 answered 13 skipped

- Anything currently topical
- What help is available What grants is available
- Support from BFC Which grants to apply for How to best recruit Topics could be clustered into similar volunteer groups i.e. youth, community halls, etc, therefore subject more relevant and more like a drop in clinic
- First aid, Health care, Care for the elderly, work of local churches and charities eg Foodbank, Thames Hospice, Sebastians Action Trust
- How to contact the right person to help. Can we have a list of organisations that are available to contact the support groups in the area? Maybe an event where all the organisations in the area can have an open day? Rather like the one held at Ascot Racecourse?
- What events are there of interest for senior citizens in Bracknell area which are affordable
- I have an interest in crime as I represent Victim Support
- The faith groups have even more
- Various
- Children and families, but the opportunity to network is the most important
- New treatments/advances in dementia care Bracknell Town Redevelopment local links
- Work of other community groups in the area
- Recruiting volunteers
- I have no idea
- Community cohesion/social capital Volunteering recruitment and support
- Update on issue affecting carers and fundraising opportunities
- How much we are saving the government
- What other groups are doing - there is a danger that groups are working in isolation and duplicating work
- Anything
- Effective engagement with the community (all too busy to realise the importance of community)
- Funding Changes in legislation etc that affects voluntary sector organisations
- Anything relevant to and impacting on the voluntary sector but any speaker must be well-informed and competent and able to answer difficult questions opportunities, what organisations are looking for, how best to team up volunteers with CVS organisations,
- A community vent that gives all local charities/clubs/societies an opportunity to show the public what they do and how they operate. Such an event would need a large venue and be available at a weekend to attract as large an audience as possible topics for older people

I/we would be willing to give a presentation at an involve event.

Answered 31 Skipped 8

Yes 45.16%

No 29.03%

Maybe 25.81%

How long ideally should a community event last?

Answered 35 skipped 4

1 to 2 hours 57.14

2 to 4 hours 25.71

All day for the right event 20%

Comments

- Two hours is probably about right
- Depends on the agenda
- 2 hours then food eg 10-30 - 12.30 then lunch
- depends on what it is

Where would you like involve to hold events?

Answered 36 skipped 3

Somewhere central 38.89%

Anywhere with good parking 63.89%

Don't mind 5.56%

Is there anything else you would like to say about the location? 5.56%

Comments

- But quite local
- Size relevant to delegates with projector
- Sufficient/reasonably priced parking and central location
- Accessible for people in wheelchairs
- Access for those without personal transport
- Disabled access is important