

NEWS

Boxroom & Magpie Shop news

The Boxroom has now been refurbished, painted and is back open for business! Thanks to everyone who attended the open day on 23rd April where Mike Rumbles MSP officially re-opened the shop. Both the Boxroom and the Magpie shops did well on the day and continue to sell good quality second-hand furniture and bric-a-brac. Pop in and find yourself a bargain!



Grow Your Group - Places still available! Saturday 14th May 2011, Dickson Hall, Laurencekirk

Are you are part of a voluntary or community group based in Central or South Aberdeenshire? If so, then why not come along to 'Grow your Group' on Saturday 14th May. This **free**, one day event will include speakers and workshops on funding, social enterprise, governance, successful tendering, growing community assets and much more. The aim of the day is to tackle issues facing voluntary groups in the current economic climate.

Booking forms for registration are available now from Linda Babbs on 01569 668055 or email linda.babbs@cvsa.co.uk

Are you looking for an Independent Examiner?

If you are a charitable voluntary association or trust, producing Receipts and Payments accounts, and are looking for someone to perform the independent examination of your accounts, then CVSA may be able to help.

Our Development Officer, Alison Melville, is working towards applying for full membership of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners (ACIE). In order to make this application, Alison must demonstrate that she has performed an independent examination of the accounts of at least 3 groups. Would your group be interested in being one of these? Alison has attended training from ACIE, and has access to experienced independent examiners to support her through the process. As you would be assisting her application to ACIE, there would be no charge for the examination on this occasion.

If you might be interested, please contact Alison on alison.melville@cvsa.co.uk, or phone 01467 629072.

If successful in her application, it is hoped that Alison will be able to offer independent examination at an affordable rate as part of the CVS service to groups.

Good Practice Volunteer Guides

Volunteer Centre Edinburgh have designed a comprehensive range of easy to use, definitive Good Practice Guides to help you with volunteer management - from the simple to the complex. They also have a range of templates that you can use if you need resources for managing your volunteers.

Have a look at: http://www.volunteeredinburgh.org.uk/organise/good_practice_guides

New ADP Service in Aberdeenshire

Befriend A Child is Scotland's oldest befriending organisation for children. The befriending service provides a little ray of sunshine to youngsters who may never have travelled in a car; have no concept of how to eat with a knife and fork; have never seen the sea - despite Aberdeen being a coastal city - and have no idea what lies beyond the city boundaries. In many cases these children have very troubled home lives as the offspring of drug and alcohol abusers, single parent families or adults with emotional and/or physical problems.



Befriend A Child, 9 Bon Accord Square, Aberdeen, AB11 6DJ. Tel: 01224 210060. Web: www.befriendachild.org.uk

Community Recovery Service Groups in Huntly and Banchory Are you looking for an opportunity to meet and socialise with others in recovery from drug and alcohol problems?

CAIR Scotland's Community Recovery Service are running an eight week group programme with varied weekly activities such as -

- Relaxation/sleep
- Hygiene
- Nintendo Wii
- Art Therapy
- Confidence Building
- Healthy Living

Groups in Banchory will be held weekly on Thursdays from 10.30am - 12.30pm
at Banchory Town Hall (lesser hall) on the High Street.

For more information on the Banchory group, please contact Kirsty on 01467 624240.

Groups in Huntly will be held weekly on Mondays at 10.30am - 12.30pm
at The Linden Centre, Castle Street, Huntly

For more information on the Huntly group, please contact Lesley on 01467 624240.

Low cost housing options available in Fetterangus and Rosehearty

First-time buyers and those on council house waiting lists are among those eligible to buy new affordable housing in Fetterangus and Rosehearty. Aberdeenshire Council is offering the two and three-bedroom homes for fixed prices in both villages in partnership with local developers. The properties will be ready around July

For further information, visit: <http://www.aberdeenshire.gov.uk/news/release.asp?newsID=2029>



Aberdeenshire Voluntary Action - Community Events **Find out what support is available to you as community and voluntary groups!**

You are invited to attend an information and networking event
Hosted by: Aberdeenshire Voluntary Action

Who are we?

Short presentation from partners in the AVA network:
Council for Voluntary Services
Volunteer Centre Aberdeenshire
Local Rural Partnerships

Each of the partners has a role in the support and development of community and voluntary groups and social enterprises.

These events will be an opportunity to tell us what support you need and network with others in your area
A light lunch will be provided

Buchan, Tuesday 17th May

Mintlaw Village Hall, The Square, Mintlaw

Marr, Tuesday 17th May

Tullynessle & Forbes Hall, Tullynessle, Alford

Kincardine & Mearns, Tuesday 24th May

Bettridge Centre, Coastal Park, Newtonhill

Formartine, Wednesday 25th May

Kirk Centre, 4 Station Road, Ellon

Garioch, Wednesday 25th May

Town Hall, The Square, Inverurie

Banff/Buchan, Thursday 26th May

Harvest Church Centre, Castle Street, Banff

All events run from 12.00 to 2.00 pm

Places are limited at each event. To register your interest in attending, contact CVS Training Initiative at admin@cvstraininginitiative.org.uk

Community Planning E-Bulletin

Available to read at:

www.ouraberdeenshire.org.uk/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=678&Itemid=76

Short breaks for carers and young carers

More than 3,000 carers and young carers are set to benefit from essential short breaks over the next few months. The Scottish Government is now funding essential short breaks for both adult carers and young carers, with 51 organisations offered a share of almost £820,000 short breaks projects around the country. The money is a large part of the £1 million for short breaks announced last July when the Government Carers and Young Carers Strategy was launched. The remainder of this year's funding will be allocated in April by Shared Care Scotland, who is running the scheme.

Read more about this at: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/News/Releases/2011/03/18175732>

Aberdeen In Mind **www.aberdeeninmind.org**

Aberdeen based Send-it Fulfilment Solutions has announced that its website www.aberdeeninmind.org dedicated to those affected by mental health issues in Aberdeen and the Shire is now up and running.

The portal site covers a wide range of mental health issues, providing details of events and news as well as providing links for those who wish to engage in mental health issues on dedicated social networking pages including Twitter and Facebook. Links to other resources are on the website as well as an A-Z of services available in the region.



The project has allowed adults recovering from mental health difficulties the training and opportunity to build their own website concerning mental health issues relevant to them. It also provides a valuable source of information and views especially during reforms to the benefit system and funding cuts to services. If you have news, event details, or wish to join any of the social networking pages please e-mail info@aberdeeninmind.org

Request for feedback from the Scottish Ambulance Service.

The Scottish Ambulance Service is participating in a year-long pilot, through the Better Together Programme, which is encouraging more feedback from patients and their carers. Patient Opinion is an independent, not-for-profit organisation which offers the Patient Opinion website to the public across the UK, as a means of providing feedback about their experience of the NHS.

The Patient Experience website is really simple to use. There's a link on the home page, and very clear instructions about how to tell your patient story. By participating in this pilot, the Scottish Ambulance Service will be able to ascertain if this additional feedback channel is useful for users of the Service.

www.patientopinion.org.uk/

Becoming a Charity' - New OSCR Leaflet

OSCR (Office of the Scottish Charity Regulator) has produced an updated leaflet called 'Becoming a Charity' which contains key information and questions for organisations considering applying for charitable status in Scotland.

Download the leaflet at:

www.oscr.org.uk/DocumentViewer.aspx?ID=5390a1fb-6090-42d2-bc52-a2a52bfe3d40&opt=2

Team Around The Child

TAC Interconnections has launched its new Team Around the Child (TAC) website. They aim to share information, help build the knowledge base and promote teamwork around children and young people with disabilities and special needs.

To find out more visit:
www.teamaroundthechild.com/

New Self-Advocacy Booklet

The booklet was developed by a group of adults on the autism spectrum and is designed to help people with autism communicate their wishes and needs to the people they meet. When there is a formal appointment to attend, they can simply fill in the relevant section(s) of the booklet and take it to the appointment.

It can be downloaded for free at www.autism.org.uk/selfadvocacy

XChange Scotland

Xchange Scotland is a charity established by young people in Scotland. They offer a wide range of exciting and accessible opportunities to volunteer internationally. Xchange Scotland offers volunteers the chance to pick from over 1500 placements in over 43 countries, including Morocco, India, and Kenya! Project themes range from cultural and social projects to environmental and construction projects, so you could be helping to organise a festival in Indonesia, working in a circus in France, or supporting youth projects in Nigeria -the choice is yours!

Most projects are for over 18s, but there are also over 100 teenage projects all over the world! Projects last from 2-4 weeks and £200 covers all food and accommodation costs for the duration of the project! You just organise your travel and away you go!

Check out all our amazing international volunteering opportunities on the website at www.xchangescotland.org and send any queries you have to info@xchangescotland.org

Elections - Have your say on the 5th May! Emergency Proxy Deadline

If you fall ill and are unable to vote in person on 5th May, you may apply to vote by proxy, providing you do so before 5pm on Thursday 5 May.

To find out more, visit: www.voteaberdeen.org/

Ballater Royal Deeside Walking Festival Saturday 21st to Friday 27st May 2011

Find out more about this event by calling: 013397 55467 e-mail: info@walkballater.com
web: Ballater (RD) Ltd

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Planning and Community Engagement Training

11th May 2011

Cairngorm Hotel, Grampian Road, Aviemore, PH22 1PE

9.30-15.30

Who is it for?

Community Groups and Individuals wishing to get involved in Scotland's reformed planning system

Why should I go?

- benefit from Planning Aid for Scotland's community engagement expertise
- learn more about the Scottish Planning System and how to engage effectively
- explore SP=EED (Scottish Planning=Effective Engagement and Delivery) – a practical tool for effective community engagement in planning
 - discuss good practice examples
- opportunity for useful networking and structured discussion
 - re-energise and re-focus your ideas

Places are limited so book your place now! If you are interested in booking a place on this training, or require more information, please contact Kathryn at PAS on 0131 220 9730 or by e-mail, training@planningaidscotland.org.uk.

Creative Writing Sessions

The sessions will take place on 16th, 23rd, 30th of May, 6th 13th and 20th of June
at 6.30 - 8.30 pm
at

The Living Rooms
Church Street Inverbervie, DD10 0RU

Please contact: Pillar Kincardine Tel.01569 767222

Email pillar.kincardine@classmail.co.uk

These sessions are targeted at the broad spectrum of people who have experienced a mental health difficulty.

Social Enterprise Academy

www.theacademy-ssea.org

Wednesday 29 June 2011, Inverurie, 10:00 - 16:00

In a time of decreased government funding and resources it is vital that your organisation can prove its social impact and the value it adds to society. The Measuring Social Impact programme is an invaluable insight into how this can be achieved.

This programme is for anyone interested in proving the value of their organisation. It is of particular benefit to organisations tendering for contracts as there is growing recognition of the "added value" of social impacts within both private and public sector contracts.

Request an application pack from:
kate@theacademy-ssea.org | 01463 238 088



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Save the date!

The Big Lunch is back with a bang! In case you've not heard, this year's event is taking place on Sunday 5th June so now's the time to start planning. The Big Lunch team are busily working away on a new website and some great new materials to help make your Big Lunch bigger and better this year. They are producing packs that will give you everything that you need to start planning your event, from invites and recipe ideas to badges and balloons. In the meantime, please email them or give them a call on 0845 850 8181 if you have any questions, or if you'd like to find out about opportunities to talk about your Big Lunch in the press.

SafeTALK Training for Trainers Course 21st & 22nd June 2011 Woodend Hospital, Eday Road, Aberdeen

Participants must have already completed a 2 day ASIST (Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training) Course and preferably also a SafeTALK. There is a requirement for participants to deliver a minimum of three SafeTALKs in the first year after training to gain full registration as a trainer, therefore consideration needs to be given to the capacity within your role to be able to do this.

This course will be funded through Choose Life, so there will be no training cost to participants' organisations, other than the cost of releasing their staff.

An information pack and application form will be available shortly - please get in touch with:

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Choose Life Co-ordinator, Aberdeenshire
SAMH
18A Carden Place
Aberdeen AB10 1UQ
Tel: 07772 565385
E-mail: linda.paterson@samh.org.uk



MiDAS (Minibus Drivers Awareness Scheme) Courses 2011

MiDAS is the Minibus Drivers Awareness Scheme organised by the Community Transport Association (CTA), promoting a nationally recognised standard for the assessment and training of minibus drivers. Based on a membership scheme, it has been designed to enhance the driving standards of the minibus driver and to promote the safer operation of minibuses in general.

Monday 9th May
Tuesday 14th June
Wednesday 13th July
Thursday 11th August
Monday 19th September
Tuesday 18th October
Monday 21st November
Thursday 15th December

For more information on these courses please visit our website www.dialabus.org.uk
For any information or to arrange training at your own venue, please contact the office on 01771 619191 or email training@dabplus.org.uk

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Insight Aberdeen: Third Sector and Volunteering Fayre Saturday 2nd July, 10am—3pm, Music Hall, Aberdeen

Come along to learn more about the Third Sector—Stalls, Entertainment, Opportunities, Volunteering and goodies...

To find out more, visit: www.acvo.org.uk/Fayre2011.html

Celebrate Aberdeen Parade Saturday 11th June, Union Street, Aberdeen at 11am

At 11 am, on June 11th 2011, the third sector will come together to parade down the city's Union Street, supported by an array of street performers and musical entertainment.



Find out more at: www.celebrateaberdeen.org

Advocacy Core Skills training Clashmach Centre in Huntly on 6th, 10th, 13th and 17th June (Mondays and Fridays over two weeks) from 9.45am to 3pm.

This course covers communication skills, diversity, discrimination and equality, resolving conflict and working constructively with people in positions of authority. The approach used is an integrative one which teaches advocacy skills and encourages self-awareness. The course is suitable as a professional development course for individuals who work with vulnerable people (e.g. with learning disabilities, mental health issues, the elderly) either in a professional or a voluntary capacity. It would suit anyone who has an interest in social inclusion and redressing injustice.

There are some spaces available on this course and it is free to individuals wishing to become a volunteer advocate and £60 for other interested parties. Lunch and refreshments are included.

For further information or to book a place on the course, please contact Sheila Gray:
01467 651604, email: sheilagraysadvocacy@hotmail.co.uk

Fun & Activity Weekend at Glenmore Lodge Aviemore Friday 17th– Sunday 19th June 2011

This weekend is for Shared Lives carers, people who use Shared Lives and family carers who might have a connection with Shared Lives or for people who just want to learn more about Shared Lives. The weekend will begin on Friday at 5pm, returning home on Sunday, and the cost per person will be £50. Included in the cost is your bed, all meals, tea/coffee throughout the day and activities.

There will be a range of activities such as canoeing, climbing, archery or, if you prefer, just relaxing and mixing with others. Activities will be delivered by Active Spirit staff who are experienced in ensuring we have a fantastic safe day of fun. Beauty therapy is an option for those looking for a bit of pampering or you can enjoy the small pool and sauna .

There are only 74 spaces so sign up now so that you do not miss out.
If you want more information please contact: Anne Fernie Tel.07525 234 698
email: anne@naaps.org.uk or Sue Mahony Tel. 07824 837791
email: suzanne.mahony@aberdeenshire.gov.uk

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TRAINING PROGRAMME



Core Skills for Business

Monday 9th May, 10am - 4pm,
Craibstone Estate, Bucksburn
£68 vol sector £102 - all others
Closing date for booking: 21.4.11

Accounting Requirements for Charities and Duties of Trustees under OSCR

Thursday 19th May,
9.30am - 12.30pm and 1.30 - 4pm Viewmount, Stonehaven
£20 - half day £40 - full day
Costs only for voluntary sector/
community groups
Closing date for booking: 5.5.11

Introduction to Counselling

Date TBC - late May/early June
9am - 5pm, Hopeville Club, Inverurie
£65 - vol sector £98 - all others
Closing date for booking: 12.5.11

Appointed Persons First Aid

Tuesday 24th May,
9.30am - 4.30pm, Mintlaw Hall
£45 - vol sector £68 - all others
Closing date for booking: 10.5.11

The Art of Marketing

Thursday 2nd June,
9.30am - 4.30pm, Viewmount, Stonehaven
£15 - vol sector £100 - all others
Closing date for booking: 19.5.11

Fit for Funding

Thursday 9th June, 10am - 1.30pm
West Church Hall, Inverurie
£20 - vol sector £30 - all others
Closing date for booking: 26.5.11

To book a place on any of these courses, please contact Shirley/Diane by email:
admin@cvstraininginitiative.org.uk

MARR COMMUNITY FORUMS - May 2011

A quick reminder that the Marr Community Ward Forums are coming up in May. All forums begin with sandwiches and hot drinks at 6.45 for a 7pm start. In summary, the forums will be focussing on health needs in Marr, encouraging people's involvement in community groups, and issues around disseminating Community Council minutes. These sessions will be of interest to many members of your Community Council, community group or organisation, so please remember that more than one of your group can attend.

For more info contact: Lizzy Shepherd, Marr Area Partnership Development Officer on
Tel: 07786 579426. Website: www.marrareapartnership.org.uk

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ASIST - Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Training Tune Up Event

HAVE YOU ATTENDED AN ASIST COURSE?
DO YOU WANT A REFRESHER?

Due to demand an additional Tune Up event will be held on 20 May 2011 in the Rec Hall, Staff Home, Woodend Hospital, Aberdeen from 10.00am to 1.00pm.

The Tune Up event will give participants the opportunity:

To revise the process and structure of the Suicide Intervention Model

To discuss the use of the model from their own experience following the training.

To be made aware of the results of the local audit

If you wish to attend can you please email nhsg.grampiandevelopment@nhs.net
or by phoning 01224 556969 between 10.00am and 3.00pm

Supporting the Professional - NHS Grampian training available



This training is aimed at anyone in Grampian whose job involves an element of health improvement. It is designed to raise awareness of the free services available to support your work with the public, patients and service users. The training is available free of charge.

Four dates have been confirmed in 2011:

Elgin - 22nd June 10:30 - 12:00

Aberdeen - 30th August 10:30 - 12:00

Fraserburgh - 25th October 10:30 - 12:00

Aberdeen - 15th November 10:30 - 12:00

More information on the training is available at www.hi-netgrampian.org/stp
as well as venues and how to book a place.

Local Support for People affected by Cancer

CLAN (Cancer Link Aberdeen and North) is a local charity based in Aberdeen, covering the whole of Grampian, Orkney and Shetland. They offer free support services to anyone affected by cancer - be it patient, carer or family member. Their 'CLAN in the Community' project, which offers drop-in services at various locations throughout Aberdeenshire, aims to make services accessible to all. CLAN understands that it can be quite challenging to travel into Aberdeen to access these services.

Take part in CLAN's Tartan Trek Charity Walk on 22 May 2010
Find out how to take part at: www.royal-deeside.org.uk/RDcommsservice/CLANTartan.pdf

FUNDING

The William and Jane Morris Fund

They will give grants of up to £1,000 to churches, chapels and other places of worship built before 1896, towards work concerned with the conservation of decorative features such as stained glass windows, sculpture, furniture, internal monuments, tombs, and wall paintings. Grants towards major structural repairs and fabric maintenance may be considered under exceptional circumstances.
Annual deadlines 31 March and 31 August.

Visit their website at: www.sal.org.uk/grants/williamandjanemorris/

Funding Scotland launch new database

Find funding opportunities from Lottery Funders, Statutory and European Organisations, Corporate Foundations and Charitable Trusts in this quick and simple part of the Funding Scotland website. Opportunities include Grants, Contracts, Loans and In Kind Support.

Quick and open access - no registration required.
Visit: <http://fundingscotland.com/search.asp>

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund

The Triangle Trust 1949 Fund is currently inviting applications from charity organisations to support projects that support: Carers, Community arts and education, Disability, Older People, Poverty, Integration and rehabilitation.

Grants are normally in the range of £1,000 and £10,000. The objectives of the Fund are; the alleviation of poverty and the promotion of good health and welfare; the advancement and furthering of education. Successful projects will either maintain an open, inclusive society or promote integration (or reintegration) of individuals or groups into society. Preference will be given to smaller charities; charities which serve a locality or region of the UK, rather than national charities; and causes which find it more difficult to raise funds from the general public.
The next application deadline is the 14th May.

To find out more, visit: <http://thetriangletrust1949fund.org.uk>

People's Postcode Trust

The People's Postcode Trust set up by the People's Postcode Lottery offers grants of between £500 and £10,000 (£2,000 if not a registered charity) to small organisations and community groups for projects lasting up to 3 months in the areas of Poverty Prevention; Advancement of Health; Community Development; Public Sports; Human Rights; and Environmental Protection.

Applications under £2,000 are considered on a rolling monthly basis in Scotland. For grants of over £2,000 the next round opens on the 11th April and will close on the 27th May.

Visit: www.postcodetrust.org.uk

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Becoming A Survivor - Funding for supporting people affected by domestic abuse and survivors of domestic abuse

The Big Lottery has up to £3million available to support people affected by domestic abuse and survivors of domestic abuse. Groups can apply for grants between £10,000 and £1 million. Projects can include agencies and organisations from across the statutory, voluntary and private sectors working together or they can include several agencies or organisations from one sector working together. There is no single model of multi agency approach that they are expecting to be replicated because BIG know that local circumstances differ across Scotland and will play an important part in any project.

Following their consultation process, they hope to be able to work with projects to develop their initial ideas by the summer, before identifying which projects will progress to the final application stage later in the year. The application process has two stages, and the deadline for a stage one application is 10 June 2011.

To discuss your idea or request a stage one application form, please call our enquiries line on 0300 123 7110, textphone 0141 242 1500 or email becomingasurvivor@biglotteryfund.org.uk

Cycle Friendly Communities

Cycling Scotland are delighted to announce new funding for the 2011/2012 Cycle Friendly Communities Fund. Grants of up to £5000 are available to projects that demonstrate effective ways of delivering benefits to communities through cycling. The fund is established with the aim of increasing the wellbeing of communities, enabling more people to have more opportunities to cycle and to use cycling as a way to achieve local outcomes.

The immediate aim of the fund is to provide grants for worthwhile schemes that demonstrate effective ways delivering benefits to communities through cycling and will serve as examples of good practice that can be followed by future projects and can be shared across the whole sector. For 2011, successful projects will also benefit from the new partnership agreement between Cycling Scotland and Cycling Projects to provide additional support for projects promoting inclusion. As a result of the partnership, projects will be offered Wheels for All training, invitation to a Wheels for All taster session as well as consultation support and advice.

The closing date for the 2011 fund is Monday 30th May, 12 noon.

For more information, please visit:

www.cyclingscotland.org/our-projects/award-schemes/cycle-friendly-community-project/

Help the Homeless

Help the Homeless, a national Charity which aims to help homeless people throughout the United Kingdom to resume a normal life, is currently accepting applications from small and medium sized charities and voluntary organisations. Grants of up to £3,000 are available towards capital costs to support projects that assist disadvantaged individuals in their return to mainstream society, through residential or training facilities. Grants to larger charities may be considered if the project is suitable innovative and only possible for a larger organisation to develop it. The next application deadline is the 30th June 2011.

For more information, please visit <http://www.help-the-homeless.org.uk/Grants.htm>

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Our Community Our Future programme

Our Community Our Future is a programme to assist groups of motivated community members to explore an issue further, get more people involved, get their group organised, develop a plan of action and move to the next stage. The emphasis is on communities coming together to achieve positive change, particularly in response to new challenges and trends which affect people whose voices may not be heard.

Unlike most of the Scottish Community Foundation's work, Our Community Our Future isn't about making grants to support community activity. Instead, it's about members of their team working with groups of people to help them come together to plan, take action, and have an influence on issues that are important to their future. However, there will be a budget of up to £5,000 to help the groups they work with commission research, training or further learning, or implement an action plan.

The programme opened 22nd April 2011 for expressions of interest with a closing date of Monday 6th June 2011. At this stage applicants are asked to complete an expression of interest form which they will review and inform applicants of the outcome by the end of June.

If you know of new or emerging groups that fit the programme please encourage them to apply using the link on the website www.scottishcf.org/OCOF or by email to ocof@scottishcf.org.

CONSULTATIONS & PETITIONS

Scottish Government Consultations

Consultation is an essential and important aspect of Scottish Government working methods. Given the wide-ranging areas of work of the Scottish Government, there are many varied types of consultation. However, in general consultation exercises aim to provide opportunities for all those who wish to express their opinions on a proposed area of work to do so in ways which will inform and enhance that work.

To view current, forthcoming or archive consultations, visit: www.scotland.gov.uk/Consultations

next newsletter

The next CVS Aberdeenshire - Central & South newsletter will come out on the week beginning 30th May 2011.

The deadline for **pre-arranged** contributions for this edition is Monday 23rd May 2011.

We are always looking for local groups across the shire to contribute to our newsletters.

Whether it be to advertise an event, showcase your work, appeal for volunteers or celebrate a successful funding bid - whatever it is, we'd love to hear about it!

If you would like to include any information in future editions, please contact Lindsay Allardyce on 01330 825027 or email Lindsay.Allardyce@cvsa.co.uk

Alternatively, if you would like to be removed from this mailing list, please let us know.

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