

HACVS E-bulletin Number 16

You will see that we have decided to number our e-bulletins rather than date each one. This is to facilitate coordination between the circulation of the e-mail and posting the e-bulletin on the website.

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Dear members,

- 1 Big Challenge 09 - Just one week left to apply and the challenge this year is called *Your Chance, Everybody's Change*. For further information and to apply, check out the website www.bigchallenge.org.uk and the **attachment**: BC_poster
- 2 Climate Change Communication Course will be held in London on Tuesday 20 October 2009. For full details see: <http://talkaction.org/cceclonoct09.pdf> or visit www.talkaction.org
- 3 Women's Wisdom are running some free Business Training for Female Creative Artists based in West Sussex who would like help setting up or running their own business. Courses will run this autumn and the dates are being firmed up. There will be one course which will run once a week for four weeks in Crawley from 10am until 2pm. Another course in Chichester will run over a weekend from 10am to 4pm on Saturday and Sunday. The courses are sponsored by West Sussex County Council and will be fun, friendly, informal and full of useful information and skills. If anyone is interested in finding out more they can email Claire Cutler-Casey at Claire@womenswisdom.co.uk, call her on 07917 417 835 or call the office, free from a land line on 0800 781 8597. For more information visit www.womenswisdom.co.uk
- 4 AFTAID offers direct financial relief to frail elderly people in distress when in need. It concentrates its efforts and resources directly to elderly people in the United Kingdom who, because of ineligibility, or who are only receiving partial funding through statutory or voluntary services, fall through the safety net. Grants are awarded for bedding, clothing, cookers, carpets, curtains, furniture, repairs, telephones and alarm connections and other essential items that may make an elderly person's life more comfortable. For more information see the **attachment**: UGZ450-summary
- 5 Follow this link to an item on Health Guidance : http://www.dh.gov.uk/prod_consum_dh/groups/dh_digitalassets/documents/digitalasset/dh_104785.pdf
- 6 The following news item from Horsham District Council is entitled 'Laybrook plans to be resubmitted'. **Attachment**: Laybrook

- 7 ICIS are holding their 'Information and Innovation' event on Monday 26th October. They would be very grateful if you could help them promote this event to both service providers and the public. They have also launched a text messaging service this week whereby people can send them their enquiry by text. Two documents relating to the above are **attached**: Event_Information ICIS_Text
- 8 Claire Knight, PA to the Operations Team, Sussex Oakleaf Housing Association has written with regard to a vacancy at their Registered Care Home at 26 Shakespeare Road, Worthing - Please Note that with immediate effect the new post code is RH16 1TW. The home offers accommodation to people experiencing mental health problems. Their accommodation based recovery service is dedicated to working in partnership with service users building independent living skills and developing self reliance in the wider community. Each service user is at the centre of their recovery and are supported and enabled to develop an individual tailored programme to facilitate this journey.

As a service they work as part of a multi disciplinary team, in partnership with psychiatrists, community psychiatric nurses, care coordinators and other health professionals to deliver high quality support and holistic care. They aim to provide their service users with a relaxed, supportive and homely environment within which they feel safe and valued. If you have a potential referral or would like more information please see the attached document for contact details. **Attachment**: Selection_Criteria
- 9 Safety driven: please find a news item from the Horsham District Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership. **Attachment**: Driven
- 10 Walk and learn more about trees: please find a news item from Horsham District Council and a photo showing some of the many different trees in Horsham Park. **Attachments**: Walk ParkGarden
- 11 Please see the latest release from West Sussex Primary Care Trust – 'West Sussex Stop Smoking Coordinator fronts new national campaign to encourage people to go smokefree!' [Read more...](#)

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