

## E-bulletin December 10th 2008

### (1) Bogus collectors (2) Economic downturn - help for residents (3) Funding stream (4) NHS help for travel costs

Dear members,

- 1 Beware bogus collectors; a news item from Horsham District Council is attached.
- 2 A news item from Horsham District Council about the economic downturn is attached concerning help for residents. They will also be publishing a list of help to local businesses very soon.
- 3 Attached is information about a funding stream that maybe of interest to you; vcashpoint has £1 million to give away to 16-25 year olds with bright ideas to make a difference in their communities. The money comes from HSBC and v, the youth volunteering organisation. You can search for other funding sources through the FREE GrantNet service, via [www.horsham.gov.uk](http://www.horsham.gov.uk) (under "What do you want to do?")
- 4 Please see the latest release from West Sussex Primary Care Trust: **NHS offers help with patients' travel costs**  
"For some patients, travel to receive healthcare can present difficulties – the journey may be lengthy or complex, costly, or there may be poor access to public transport. In particular, patients on benefits or low incomes can find it difficult to meet the cost of travelling to hospital or other healthcare premises for treatment or appointments. This sometimes means that patients do not attend appointments which could have potentially serious consequences for their health...."  
[Read more....](#)  
Any questions or queries you are invited to call:  
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Many thanks –  
Janet

Attachments:

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