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Working towards safeguarding Tameside children

Tameside 3rd Sector Coalition helps to keep Tameside's children safe through our Children and Young People Networker.



Image: Children Centre, Droylsden



KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE

The active participation of T3SC on the Tameside Safeguarding Children's Board (TSCB) has raised the profile of the third sector in providing safe services and activities to children and young people in the borough.

The participation of the voluntary, community and faith sectors on TSCB training has increased and they now represent 30% of all those who attend the child protection awareness training.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Third sector members also access the more advanced safeguarding training at an appropriate level.

'This will have an impact on the ability of third sector staff and volunteers to ensure the safety of children in Tameside, especially when combined with the targeted information provided by T3SC on safeguarding through newsletters and briefing sessions.'

David Barnes, Development Officer, Tameside, Safeguarding Children Board



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Supporting Tameside's voluntary, community and faith groups

Tameside 3rd Sector Coalition supports Tameside's groups and organisations to develop, improve their capacity and access information and resources.

TASCA'S HEROES

MP David Heyes put T3SC in touch with Tameside Action for Social Communication and Autism (TASCA). TASCA supports families who have a child/children with autism. They wanted help with funding which was provided by our Support and Development Team.



Image: TASCA conference for World Autism Day

TASCA decided, to celebrate World Autism day, they would host a Tameside wide conference. The Policy and Participation Officer for health and social care helped them to organise a fantastic event attended by over three hundred people. They were overwhelmed with the response and the number of families that came to them for support. They have written a conference report and will be presenting it to the TMBC Children with Disabilities Strategy Group.

'Just to let you know T3SC has been added to TASCA'S heroes' page!'
Valerie and Neil from TASCA

HELPING TO DEVELOP

Tameside 3rd Sector Coalition supported Hyde Community Action to change to meet the needs of the entire community through recruitment, funding advice and involvement in the Health and Social Care Network.

'T3SC have provided HCA with a variety of support ranging from helping to recruit for the post of Manager, providing training to staff and volunteers, highlighting potential funding streams and giving advice when preparing funding bids... which has enabled us to really start to make a positive difference in our community.' Jusna Begum, Chair, Hyde Community Action



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Supporting Tameside's Black and Minorities Ethnic communities

Tameside 3rd Sector Coalition is working towards a healthy lifestyle for Tameside's Black Minority Ethnic (BME) communities including combating drug abuse in the Bangladeshi community.

INNOVATIVE WORK

Research undertaken in 2005 with 100 community members, drug users and local drug services to assess the needs of the BME community of Tameside formed the basis of T3SC's innovative Drugs and Diversity Development Work.

DRUGS | DIVERSITY | PARENTING
**ACHIEVING A DRUGS FREE
HEALTHY LIFESTYLE**



Image: GMP and T3SC recruitment event

Image: Azzam running drugs diversity training

HEALTHY LIFESTYLE

T3SC hosts a post, working towards core outcomes for a 'Drugs free healthy lifestyle' for Tameside's BME residents including:

- Increase awareness of drug related risks and harms.
- Increase the knowledge of the location and services offered by appropriatedrug services.
- Increase the number of BME community members accessing drug services.

As part of the diversity development role T3SC has provide accredited trained to community members in substance misuse and empowered community members.

'This training gave me a better perspective and understanding of the drugs out there, the effects, how easy it is to get addicted to and how hard it is to come off it and how it ruins lives. This training gave me confidence in speaking about drugs. An opportunity was presented by Azzam to become a trainee counsellor; I have been doing this for the last three years and just completed counselling level 3.' Shain Miah, Community Champion



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Making Tameside's third sector richer

Tameside 3rd Sector Coalition helps bring funding to Tameside's voluntary and community groups.

INVALUABLE SUPPORT

'We couldn't have got as far as we have in developing our exciting community-led project without T3SC's support. The professional assistance of all at T3SC in helping us to set up the not for profit company and charity, develop our funding strategies/priorities and their consistent and ongoing support has been invaluable.'

Jonathan Hindle, Chair of The 4 C Community Centre Project in Ashton



Image: Plans for the 4 C community centre, in Ashton



Image: Commissioning conference

'We have secured over £20,000 in grants for essential maintenance, equipment, and building work. This would have not been possible and we would probably have had to have closed after 80 years. T3SC has made it possible for us to complete grant application forms confidently, to a high standard and made our group aware of many different sources of funding and training. We have always found the T3SC team useful.' 7th Stalybridge Scouts

BRINGING IN MONEY

We also administer the Youth Action Grant (YAG) on behalf of the Youth Service. In the last 12 months 19 grants, totalling £16,504, have been successfully awarded to projects that are of direct benefit to young people living in Tameside, chosen by a panel of young people.

HELPING THE COMMUNITY WIN TENDERS

T3SC has been providing specialist support on procurement and commissioning, working with local commissioners of services and voluntary and community organisations. We have delivered five training sessions to 17 organisations, ran a successful conference with 60 participants and worked with six organisations to get them ready for tendering.



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Welcome to May's E-Bulletin. In this issue we have a lot of free Child protection training to how to attract more people to your website. 9-15 May is also Adult Learners Week and there will be free workshops and master sessions at Tameside libraries and Topaz well being centre. (See our [Training page](#))

With summer approaching there are also lots of events happening in May. T3SC is holding the Funky Lizard event and the launch event of the New Voice network. There is also IDAHO day, a fun day at Copperas Fields and a Race night being held by 4C. (See our [Dates for your diary page](#).)

We have the latest [Funding Bulletin](#) and up to date third sector national news and legal information for groups.

The E-Bulletin is monthly and free to subscribers, if you would like to subscribe and make sure the next issue goes straight to your inbox please email [Hannah Powell](#)

If you would like an article to be included in the T3SC E-Bulletin the [next deadline is 21 May](#) and it will be the beginning of June to Hannah Powell

If you would like to see the [May E-Bulletin](#)

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Informing Tameside

Tameside 3rd Sector Coalition keeps Tameside's voluntary and community groups updated with local and national information relevant to their work.

MONTHLY E-BULLETIN

In 2008 we launched the E-Bulletin to provide groups and partners with up-to-date information on the voluntary sector, policy updates, funding opportunities and notify people of forthcoming training and events.

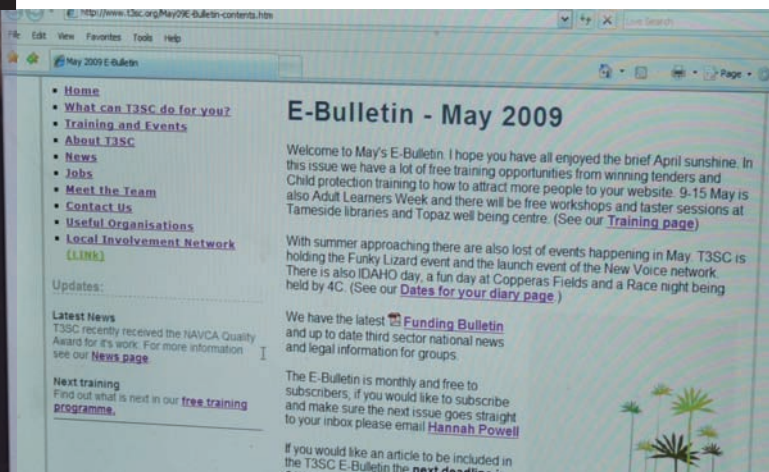


Image: Dawn reading the E-bulletin

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Within the first few months, over 420 people signed up and the list is still growing - currently over 600 with approximately 20 people joining every month.

'It's clear, attractive, easy to use and very informative. I've emailed it to one of my colleagues who is looking to improve her e-news because I thought it was a very good example of how to communicate news in this way!' Revd Jo Farnworth

KEEPING HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE PROVIDERS INFORMED

T3SC keeps health and social care providers informed on national and local policies that will affect them through a Health and Social Care network Policy Briefing Paper.

This is excellent! We don't have time to do as much reading as we should because of time constraints, so this is great it gives us an overview of the policy, and if it relates to my work I can look it up in more depth.' Maggie Stansfield, Manager of the Patient Information Centre at Tameside General Hospital



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Bringing together Tameside's diverse communities

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A WEEKEND IN THE COUNTRY

T3SC worked in partnership with TARA (Tameside African Refugee Association) to secure funding for a cultural community cohesion event, bringing different Black Minority Ethnic (BME) groups together. A two day residential in the Peak District was arranged and attended by 35 people from nine different community groups.

SHARING IDEAS

Funding came from the Peak District Sustainable Development Fund. With assistance from T3SC the event was organised by pulling together different community and faith groups in Tameside.



Image: Peak District



Image: Naomi from T3SC, Mohamed and Shazia from TACT and MP David Heyes

The response from the community was fantastic and a large number of people wanted to get involved. The event raised awareness of the diversity of community groups in Tameside and allowed people to get to know other communities cultures and customs. The event also provided an opportunity to exchange and share ideas and network with local Tameside BME community and faith groups.

'A fantastic residential and a great opportunity to make links with new friends from different groups and also a great opportunity to link into the peak district so close to our door step which I never knew before.' Ishverlal Mistry, Member of the BME network

UNITING GROUPS

T3SC increased collaboration between groups – one example being helping to bring a number of Black Minority Ethnic groups together under the TACT umbrella (Tameside Asian Charitable Trust). TACT want to pursue joint working in the community, which will strengthen bonds amongst communities. They also want to deliver community cohesion projects and joint working and move away from groups working in isolation to sharing good practice and common goals.

'Small Asian groups in Tameside will get together and be stronger.'
Mohamed Masud, TACT Treasurer



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