

# The Role and Activities of Community Action Fareham

## Achieving Our Charitable Purposes

Working with others to improve the quality of life of people in Fareham, especially anyone disadvantaged in any way

135 Member Organisations

7 Trustees + 2 Elected Member Representatives

5 full time 17 part time paid staff

80 volunteers

£500,000 turnover  
Full Audit  
Performance Reporting  
Annual Review  
Formal Trustees report  
Benchmarking with other CVS

**Income:**  
Core funding  
**FBC £ 41,836 HCC £ 44,223**  
Other Project funding  
Fees and Charges

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Our Charitable Purposes

Carrying out our Charitable Activities

Primary activities

Enabling Groups

There are about 600 voluntary and community organisations in Fareham.

Some quite large, some very small and informal.

Just under 150 are registered charities.

We judge that we support in some way about 250 groups per year

Community Services

Support for Individuals

Through 6 specific services we routinely support over 1,300 people who are elderly or disabled.

We provide information to individuals, adding up to 1,000 per year.

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Who do we help ?

## Primary activities

Support enabling Groups

Advice and Guidance

Information and Liaison

Working with Partner Organisations

Fundraising & Bids

Training

Support Services eg DBSs Payroll etc

Community Transport

**Core funded**

Some (<£3k) funding from core, £50k from grants and charges

All charged with full cost recovery

## Community Services

Support for Individuals

Shopmobility

£14.7k grant from FBC, £35k from users (not core)

Dial-a-Ride

Contract with HCC & FBC Operated with G DAR & CT to achieve economies

Home Help Service

Entirely funded by service users since 2011

Gardening Scheme

Operated by volunteers, small admin charge

Walking 4 Health

Operated by volunteers, small admin charge

Voluntary Car Scheme

Operated by volunteers, fully covered by user donation

**Promotion of Volunteering**

Supports both Groups and Individuals

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## Examples of our other work that give secondary benefits

### Transport Contracts

5 contracts for local schools, Christmas Park & Ride – improves utilisation of minibuses and so efficiency, it is specialist work with a ‘not-for profit’ approach.

### Liaison with the Clinical Commissioning Group

- Liaison to promote engagement with community groups
- Development of projects to support local health priorities eg: QA Shuttle Bus Project
- Hope to get support funding

### HCC Older Person’s wellbeing group

- Applying Countywide opportunities locally
- Information distribution
- Feeding up local needs, and successful ideas

### Community Signposting

The high profile of our office and Shopmobility Centre means that we have many enquiries every day from the public about assistance for themselves or members of their family.

HCC funding for the Carers and Disability Information Centre was withdrawn in 2011; however people still enquire and we have the answers, so we help.

### Liaison with other CVS for efficiency

- Collaboration with other CVSs for efficiency
- Lead areas developed, eg Training, CRBs, OPWB
- Comparison of performance for improvement

# The Role and Activities of Fareham Volunteer Centre

## Promotion of Volunteering

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### Support for Groups

#### Creating Opportunities

- Working with local groups to develop vacancies.

#### Staying Active

- Helping groups to keep their volunteers engaged through personal development and training.

#### Targeted recruitment

- Using local knowledge and database filtering to promote demand for specific skills.
- Working collaboratively with the VC Network on campaigns

#### Equality of opportunity & a positive experience for all

- Removing barriers to volunteering; campaigning for policy change e.g. mileage rates.
- Helping groups to support volunteers

#### Celebrating

- Organising local civic recognition events.
- Using local media to celebrate the contribution of volunteers among their peers & local communities.
- Highlighting the work of local voluntary and community groups.

### Support for Individuals

#### Getting People Interested

- Promoting the value and benefits of volunteering to both individuals & community

#### Making it Easy

- Offering local people a range of ways and levels of support to find the most appropriate placement

#### Preparing People

- Helping volunteers with support needs by listening & evaluating skills. Offering training.
- Promoting partnership working with support agencies and neighbouring CVSS