

Wolverhampton Voluntary Sector Council

Annual Report & Accounts

2007/08



Our aim is to support voluntary organisations and community groups so that people in Wolverhampton and the surrounding areas are able to benefit from and contribute to a sector that is both effective and vibrant.



Chair's Foreword



This year has seen a number of important developments that have impacted on the “Third” sector. The staff and board at WVSC have worked hard to respond to these while stressing the importance of the sector’s independence from central and local Government.

Government strategies stress a more open approach to the delivery of public services and the importance of “local participative democracy” as a means of ensuring that communities are involved in decisions that affect them. The “Third” sector has a key role to play in both these areas and in

Wolverhampton we are working hard to translate these strategies, shared by both government and opposition, into a working reality to benefit people in the City.

The Local Strategic Partnership has agreed “An environment for a thriving third sector” as one of the 32 indicators on which the City will be measured through its Local Area Agreement (LAA) and this provides an excellent start in developing further the crucial role that the sector plays in people’s lives. The development of one framework for commissioning services is well underway and will provide opportunities for organisations in the sector to deliver key outcomes.

The Third Sector partnership is growing in importance and playing an increasingly influential role across the City and discussions taking place to look at a proposed merger between WVSC and WNC will strengthen the sector’s infrastructure and allow us to respond better to the changing environment.

Many groups and organisations will not want to play a role in delivering public services. They will though want to continue to provide essential services to their communities, often providing support to the most vulnerable people in the City who either choose not to take up, or are not eligible for, statutory support. At WVSC we will continue to work hard on behalf of these groups, to ensure that they have access to support, information and grants, that the voices of the people they support are clearly heard and that the crucial role they play in holding our communities together is recognised and valued. We will continue to advocate and “champion” on behalf of these organisations and communities, ensuring their contributions are valued and recognised.

I take this opportunity to thank all those organisations and partners who have supported us during the year. In particular I would like to pay tribute to my fellow board members and the excellent staff at WVSC; together we will continue to work for a City where people want to live, work and play.

Ann Gough

Chief Executive's Foreword



Another year that has seen significant changes in the environment within which the Third Sector operates. At WVSC we have responded by working to develop an environment in which the sector can thrive. This has included improving the scope and quality of the support that we provide working to ensure that the sector has a voice that is listened to and respected and “championing” our excellent sector with policy makers and others at local, regional and national levels.

The pages that follow outline some of the work that we have done over the year supporting hundreds of groups and organisations to operate more effectively through providing wide ranging support, including the areas of law, accountancy, outcomes, payroll, workforce development, funding and commissioning. In addition we have provided other practical support in terms of information, accommodation, room hire, and reprographics.

Our work with “Experts by Experience” has continued to develop; our Drug User Involvement Project has received national acclaim for its work and our work with mental health service users and people with learning disabilities has continued to develop. We have recently been chosen, in partnership with the CAB, to host the Wolverhampton Local Involvement Network (LINK), which will work to ensure that people and groups in Wolverhampton have a real say over the delivery of health and social care services.

Our long awaited website is now up and running (www.wolverhamptonvsc.org.uk) and includes an impressive funding portal, allowing free access to national, regional and local funding opportunities. The Wolverhampton Compact, also nationally recognised during the year, has now been fully established in the City. It lays down the rules of engagement between the sectors and we are now working hard to ensure that it is widely used. Our proposed merger with Wolverhampton Network Consortium will, we feel, lead to further strengthening of the sector and the emerging Third Sector Partnership will continue to ensure that the environment is one in which the sector can thrive.

I take this opportunity to thank our staff for their hard work and commitment, our board for steering a steady course and most of all the many groups and individuals who have worked with us and supported us during another challenging and rewarding year.

Ian Darch

The Core Team

During the year, the Core Team continued in its role of supporting the organisation by ensuring that all those essential things like paying wages and replacing light bulbs happened without a hitch. We are particularly proud of the standard of Health & Safety that we maintain within our building and of the strong recruitment policy we have developed, which enables WVSC to be an equal opportunities employer and to identify excellent candidates to continue the high standards of our staff.

In addition, we have completed three major tasks during the year.

- WVSC's web site is now up and running and fully populated. We intend to continue updating and improving but we think it's looking pretty good and is easy to find your way around – but let us know what you think! Go to www.wolverhamptonvsc.org.uk.
- We've also put many hours into amalgamating databases and checking groups' details, with the aim of holding one voluntary sector database for the city, which is as full and accurate as possible.
- Finally, we've refurbished our meeting room. With a new carpet and folding tables which allow for many different lay-outs, we think this room is now the ideal environment for your meetings and training days. Why not come and check it out?

Specialist Services

During the year the Specialist Services Department has supported over 350 groups and organisations in the Voluntary and Community Sector. The department has helped groups with various legal and management issues which they face every day including constitutions, charities, governance, contracts, property matters, and many others.

The support has been given by providing one to one advice, training days and information using various resources. These include the very successful Employment & Policy Handbook and What's New. This year has also seen the launch of two new publications: the Governance Handbook and the Companies Act 2006 and Charities Act 2006 Workbook. These have been very well received by groups in the Sector and feedback has been very positive.

Many groups are affected by the new Companies and Charities Acts and, in addition to the Workbook on this subject, the department held very successful training days to ensure that they understand the changes which have taken place and what the law requires of them.

The constant changes in Employment Law always concern groups. This year saw another well attended Employment Conference with speakers from the Birmingham firm of Solicitors, Weightmans. The department has also enjoyed success at the Employment Tribunal and will continue to support groups who find themselves in this unfortunate position.

The department feels that, from the ever increasing demand, there is a clear need for this service. Otherwise, groups will be faced with very long documents and complicated rules without being able to afford to engage professional advice. We are very grateful for the funding received to enable us to provide this service largely at no cost.

Community Accountancy

During the year the need, identified before the service was set up, for professional help with the tricky area of money had been confirmed. This has been demonstrated not only in the number of organisations that have accessed the service (more than 80 to date) but in the many types of help that have been provided.

The service is provided by John Higson who was joined after March 2008, on a part time basis, by Chloe Parkins.

Organisations with incomes ranging from less than £1,000 per year up to those approaching £500,000 per year, representing most sectors of the local population, have worked with the service. They have been given help with all sorts of tasks including setting up complex or, sometimes, simple accounting systems, dealing with Companies House and budgeting. This is only a small sample of the scope of the work done.



"A special thank you for the right result"

John Turner
Wolverhampton Clubs for Young People (on winning against unfair dismissal claim Tribunal Case)

"We recently purchased the WVSC Employment & Policy handbook and are finding it an excellent guide to bringing our policies and procedures up to date"

Reverend Edmund Newey
St Andrew's Sports & Community Centre





“Wolverhampton was a key partner in delivering the regional Compact reviews that the West Midlands undertook last year, including hosting the dissemination event. They have continued to support the Regional Compact Forum and have been asked by Government Office West Midlands to lead the next stage of the Compact review in partnership with GOWM and the Regional Improvement and Efficiency Partnership”

Helen Edström
Regeneration and Communities
Lead, GOWM



“Outcomes are described as ‘the changes, benefits, learning or other effects that actually occur as a result of activities undertaken, which can be expected or unexpected, positive or negative”

Charities Evaluation Service

The range of work undertaken has been extended, during the year, into the provision of bookkeeping and accounts preparation services. Independent scrutiny of the accounts of organisations with incomes of up to £500,000 per year is also provided. Another idea is that of a ‘pay as you go’ finance manager, whereby the Service can prepare regular management accounts to organisations, helping them to know their financial position as they go through the year. These new services attract charges, but rates are very competitive. Capacity building activities will continue to be free.

Payroll Services

We continue to provide a payroll service to voluntary and community groups in Wolverhampton. Currently we are supporting 23 organisations who, in a recent survey, commented on the reliability and user-friendliness amongst other positive comments. We provide a cost effective and hassle free service with fixed charges coupled with a one to one service.

Compact

We have had a busy year here in the world of Compact; one of the highlights was winning a Gold Commendation for our work in implementing our Compact.

We conducted consultations for four codes of practice, which involved hundreds of people engaging in various ways to shape the content. We now have presentation packs which contain all the documents in paper copies and on disc. The codes support the Compact agreement by outlining ways of working in specific areas. The Wolverhampton Compact is based on 10 principles about how the Voluntary and Community Sector and Statutory Sector work together for mutual benefit which in turn benefits the communities we work for.

Compact Week 2007 was entitled ‘What has the Compact ever done for us?’ To help answer this question, we held an event where delegates heard about a local case in which the Compact had been used successfully and were treated to a play which helped to explain the principles of the Compact through drama.

We commissioned an independent evaluation of the Wolverhampton Compact where a sample of organisations across the city were interviewed and a report on the findings was published. This report can be obtained by contacting Kath Pye.

We have continued to work with Government Office for the West Midlands to help support local authorities across the West Midlands to implement their local Compacts. The sharing of good practice and learning from working together in the region helps to strengthen all our partnership working.

We have held an Empowering the Voluntary Sector training session with the National Association for Voluntary and Community Action. This training helps the sector to understand Public Law and the Compact’s place within it.

We have also held a mediation awareness training and are looking to explore the idea of using mediation to support the Compact in future.

Outcomes

Using the Charities Evaluation Service model of outcomes, WVSC’s two Outcomes Champions, Saffi Price and Geeta Patel, worked with organisations in the sector to support them in adopting an outcomes approach. Training programmes aimed to increase the knowledge, understanding and benefits of adopting an outcomes approach so that groups can better plan, monitor and evaluate the services they deliver to their users.

This year 4 sets of two-day training courses were run with 30 participants from 16 organisations. An average of 100 hours of follow-up support has been given to help embed this outcomes model as a way of working for these organisations. In addition, 3 sessions with local funding officers and commissioners from the City Council and Primary Care Trust have been held to inform them of the outcomes approach we are cascading within the sector. We also ran a tailored programme with the Age Concern Wolverhampton staff team which included 3 facilitated sessions working with the team to develop their aims, objectives and outcomes for all their strands of work. Evaluation of the courses

included the following:

- 50% of participants reported an increase in their understanding of outcomes.
- Following the training, 94% of participants agreed that VCS organisations need to be accountable to the public for their work and that an outcomes approach is the best way to do this.
- There was a 45% increase in participants feeling confident or very confident that they knew what data they needed to collect to show that a change or outcome had taken place.
- There was a 49% increase in those who felt confident or very confident in expressing their outcomes in a way that stakeholders or partners could understand.

Health & Well Being

As Senior Health and Well Being Officer, Geeta Patel, supported by Sharon Essex (Administration worker), continues working on behalf of voluntary and community groups. Here is a flavour of her work:

- Geeta surveyed over 200 VCO's in order to assess the success of the teenage pregnancy strategy as perceived by the VCO's involved with this issue.
- Along with Joan Quirke from Wolverhampton Primary Care Trust, Geeta organised and led a consultation process on the draft maternity strategy for Wolverhampton PCT.
- Geeta supported 16 VCO's in completing detailed Funderfinder searches. Further extensive in-depth support was provided to 2 of these organisations. All 16 VCO's confirmed that the Funderfinder sessions had greatly increased their knowledge and understanding of how to gain better access to alternative funding sources.
- Geeta continues to represent WVSC on 7 strategic groups within the Primary Care Trust and Wolverhampton City Council.
- Geeta continues to disseminate essential information through Wolverhampton Voice (she is on the editorial group) to over 1,500 groups in Wolverhampton.
- Geeta supervised the monthly Health and Well Being E-mail Bulletin which is received by 106 organisations, 90% of whom believed it was excellent or good overall.

Mental Health Empowerment Team

The Mental Health Empowerment Team enables people who use or have used mental health services (Experts by Experience) to get involved in the planning, running and decision making of mental health services in Wolverhampton.

We do this by helping people to set up and run self-support groups and by encouraging people to have a say by giving them the skills, confidence, training and support to get involved.

During 2007 – 2008 this was achieved this by:

- Supporting 48 Experts by Experience to become involved in a variety of Strategic Meetings, including the Local Implementation Team and the Acute Care Forum.
- As a result of their involvement in Consultation Processes members of the User Involvement Task Group have made recommendations to the Director of Mental Health about the appropriate Involvement of Services Users.
- Supporting the development of 16 User Led Self Support Groups who are made up of approximately 50 Service User Committee Members who represent approximately 326 Service Users.
- During 2007 – 2008, three Self Support Groups were supported to carry out evaluations of their services so they could get feed-back from their members.

New Beginnings for 2008 – 2009

The year ahead sees exciting changes for the Mental Health Empowerment Team with the new Mental Health Empowerment Co-ordinator, Elin Hay, and new Self-Support Co-ordinator, Amanda Williams, coming into post and Jane Viner moving on to support the development of the LiNK (Local Involvement Network) hosted by WVSC in partnership with the Citizens Advice Bureau.

“The support and information provided was rewarding and effective”

AWAAZ



“The consultation process has been useful in engaging with service users and front line staff”

Dr Adrian Phillips
Director of Public Health
in Wolverhampton



“The Mental Health Empowerment team have given me the encouragement and guidance to help me run the group and the strength to carry on”

“The team have helped me to be more confident in meeting people at meetings and taught me more about empowerment work”

Learning Disability Advocacy Project

2008



THIS YEAR THE LEARNING DISABILITY ADVOCACY



PROJECT CONTINUED TO WORK IN PARTNERSHIP



WITH THE DISABILITY NETWORK.



THE LEARNING DISABILITY ADVOCACY PROJECT STILL



SUPPORTS FIVE SELF ADVOCACY GROUPS TO MEET AND



HAVE A SAY ABOUT THINGS THAT ARE



IMPORTANT TO THEM.



STICKS AND STONES HARASSMENT PROJECT.



IN APRIL 2008 THE SELF ADVOCACY GROUPS



WORKED WITH ZIP THEATRE IN ART AND



DRAMA WORKSHOPS ON THE "STICKS AND STONES"



HARASSMENT PROJECT. THIS PROJECT LOOKED AT



ISSUES AROUND ANTI BULLYING .



DURING THE WORKSHOPS EACH GROUP WORKED IN



A CREATIVE WAY. THIS HELPED PEOPLE TALK



ABOUT WHAT IT FELT LIKE TO BE BULLIED



AND HOW IMPORTANT IT IS TO SPEAK UP FOR YOURSELF



AND TELL SOMEONE YOU TRUST IF YOU



ARE BEING BULLIED OR BEING TREATED BADLY.



FROM THE HARASSMENT PROJECT A DVD



WAS MADE. THIS WILL BE USED TO RAISE



AWARENESS ABOUT DISABILITY HARASSMENT AND AS



A TOOL FOR TRAINING.



"OUR CHOICE"



"OUR TIME"



"STOWHEATH"



"OUR TALK"



"OUR SAY"

Drug Service User Involvement Team

Since its birth here at WVSC in February 2007, the Drug Service User Involvement Team has grown from strength to strength. Its aim of ensuring that people using Wolverhampton Drug Treatment Services have their voices heard is being fulfilled in a variety of ways.

Their magazine, Substance, which is completely produced by a service user editorial group, is in its eighth edition and is now being published bi-monthly with coverage being spread into local prisons, as well as all local relevant organisations.

Service users are being continually encouraged to help shape the way drug treatment is delivered by airing their views at Open Forums every month, as well as by attending Focus Groups which is an excellent way of giving views on service areas.

Also, the interactive Text Network (with over 100 users), has been earmarked as a model of good practice and is in the process of being piloted regionally. This earned the previous Drug User Involvement Officer membership into the Royal Institute of Public Health.

In addition they have been awarded a £10,000 grant directly from the NTA to produce a Harm Reduction DVD. This will again be written and directed by service users and will be used as a training aid to professionals as well as an information source to be played in waiting rooms etc.

Right People Right Skills

Throughout 2007 we continued to work hard to fulfil our dual remits of providing affordable work based learning for the sector, and enabling organisations to deliver training through the use of consortia.

As the two ESF contracts were coming to an end in December 2007, our focus was on enabling as many people as possible to complete their NVQ's, and organisations to complete PQASSO. We are very pleased to report that RPRS helped 509 people to achieve an NVQ and 262 people attended a non-accredited course through our organisation. The two contracts enabled 64 organisations to achieve PQASSO and altogether 101 companies were supported through these projects.

The Leadership and Management courses remained popular with courses run in January, April and June 2007 funded by Sandwell Partnership, the College of Continuing Education in Walsall and Walsall Lifelong Learning Alliance, and in September a Leadership and Management course for aspiring managers was run with funding from Sandwell Partnership. These courses enabled 69 participants to gain valuable managerial knowledge.

After completion of our contracts we funded a series of celebration events across the Black Country, with Black Country Housing Association hosting a PQASSO event in January 2008 followed by Oscar Sandwell, St. Gabriel's Daycare Centre and Compton Hospice in Wolverhampton.

ChangeUp

Research Projects

During the year Helen Jones has worked as the Business Development Officer for the Black Country ChangeUp Consortium. Helen's work in 2007/8 was mainly concerned with two research projects. The WVSC Organisational Health Check (Wolverhampton Organisations) was completed and results of in-depth interviews with WVSC member organisations are being published through Wolverhampton Voice and WVSC website.

The Baseline Information Report on Infrastructure Services in the Black Country was completed and published. It provided information on staffing and services provided to the sector across the Black Country by CLIO members. The survey revealed that of the 116 staff employed by CLIO members in 2007/8, 64 were development officers or project officers. Between them they were providing support services or implementing programmes covering 40 different topics. A summary of findings and recommendations can be obtained from hjones@wolverhamptonvsc.org.uk.

Policy and Development

In April 2008 Helen took up the post of Policy and Development Officer. Helen is looking at local and national policy as it affects the sector and providing generic development support to organisations.



“Wolverhampton Drug Service User Involvement Team has continued to grow over the last year and now plays an essential role in helping us communicate with our clients, and as we go through a process of restructure it is good to know that local service users are involved in assisting the redesign of the service”

Carla Bickley,
Head of Addiction Services
Wolverhampton City PCT

“At the time of doing the NVQ I was a volunteer, now I am a paid member of staff”

RPRS learner

“I have been able to confirm many areas that I was uncertain in and it has made me much more observant and given me confidence when dealing with complaints”

RPRS learner



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Ann Gough (Chair)	Wolverhampton YMCA	Richard Hubbard	Disabled Able Bodied Group
Mirza Baig	Wolverhampton Muslim Trust	Su Pascoe	Age Concern
Kath Rees	The Haven	James Smith	Parkinson's Disease Society
Graham Myerscough	Hear-Our-Voice	Fazia Bano	St George's House Charity
Janet Clarke-Lewis	African Carriibbean Community Initiative	Bruce Kirk	Individual Member
Colin Knott	Community Transport	<u>City Council Members</u>	
Patricia Kemp	Job Change	Karen Cross	
		Councillor L Pugh	

WVSC Members

2R's Community Resource Centre
3rd Wolverhampton Boys Brigade
A.P.H.I.S.T.
African Caribbean Community Initiative
Age Concern Wolverhampton
All Saints Action Network
All Saints Community Centre
All Saints Haque Centre
All Saints Women's Resource Centre
Alzheimer's Society Wolverhampton Branch
Amateur Boxing Club (Wolverhampton)
WABC
Ambedkar Buddhist Centre
AMEZ Church, Community Centre
Aquarius
Ashmore Park Community Association
Ashmore Park Residents Association
Asian Women & Diabetes Group (W'ton)
Asian Women's Adhikar Association (AWAAZ)
Barnados—Faith in the Black Country Community Project
Bilston Caribbean Association
Bilston Community Association
Bilston Resource Centre
Blakeley Green House
Blakenhall Community Advice Centre
Bradley & District Community Association
Breast Care & Mastectomy Group (W'ton & District)
British Korean Veterans Association
British Red Cross Society
Bushbury Hill Tenants & Residents Association
Central Ataxia
Central Youth Theatre
Children's Activity & Recreational Projects (C.A.R.P.)
Community Focus
Community Radio Training (Wolverhampton)
Community Safety Partnership Wolverhampton
Community Transport
Computer Eyes (and 18/60 Plus)
Coronary Aftercare Support Group (W'ton)
Crossroads Caring for Carers Ltd
CRUSE—Bereavement Care
Darlington Street Methodist Church
Disabled & Able Bodied Social Group (DABS)
Dru Yoga
Eastfield Community Association (WFCO)
Epilepsy Action West Midlands Forum
Essington School of Shotokan Karate
Family Information Service
Federation of Community Organisations (W'ton)
Fordhouses & Oxley Community Association
Fordhouses Health & Fitness Group
Friends of Bantock House Museum and Park
Gloucester Street Community Centre
Gym Club (Wolverhampton)
Harambee Organisation
Hard of Hearing Club
Heantun Care Housing Association Ltd (Care & Repair)
Hear-Our-Voice
Heath Town Sports
Hibiscus Housing Association
Hindu Sabha
Holy Trinity Church
Indian Workers Association GB (Willenhall Branch)
Inspirational Women
J J Karate Academy
Jericho House
Job Change
Jubilee Community Resource Centre
Lea Road United Reformed Church
Leukaemia CARE
Lions Club Wolverhampton
Low Hill Community Centre
Lunt Tenants Association
Mehfil-E-Ikhlaas
Midlands Heart Limited
Moathouse Tenants & Residents
Moreland Trust Health & Social Care
Mount Shiloh Health Advisory Centre
Mount Zion Church
Multi-Care (Wolverhampton)
Multiple Sclerosis Society W'ton & District
Music & the Arts (W'ton Association for)
Muslim Trust Wolverhampton
N.A.C.R.O. Services Black Country
National Association for Colitis & Crohn's Disease
National Childbirth Trust W'ton & District
National West Indian Cricket League
New World E.M.B. Centre
Oldfallings Players
P3
Parkfield Day Centre
Parkfield Tenants & Residents Association
Parkinsons Disease Society
PAWS (Penn Animal Welfare Society)
Penn Players Drama Group
People's Organisation for Social Support & Education
Polish Catholic Centre
Project Circle
Race Equality Partnership
Rake Gate Tenants & Residents Association
Relate
Royal British Legion (Wolverhampton)
Royal Society Mencap
Sam Sharpe Music Project
Scope in Wolverhampton
Sea Cadet Corps (Wolverhampton)
Seniors Project
Shaheed Bhagat Singh Asian Welfare Centre
Sickle Cell & Thalassemia Support Project (W'ton)
Sons of Rest Bilston
Soroptimist International of Wolverhampton
SPHERE
Spina Bifida & Hydracephalus Association
Spring Valley Tenants Association
Spurgeons
SSAFA Forces Help
St Chad's Asian Elderly & Disabled Day Centre
St Chad's Tenants & Residents Association
St George's House Charity
St Matthew's Church
St Peter's Unemployment Group
Stonham Housing Association Ltd
Stroke Support West Midlands
Support Group for Deafened People (W'ton)
Surdhwani
Tameer Nau Youth Group
Terrence Higgins Trust
Tettenhall & Tettenhall Wood Tenants & Residents Association
Tettenhall Wood Community Association
Tettenhall Wood United Reformed Church
The Bingley Centre
The Boys Brigade, Wolverhampton Battalion
The Chris Laws Day Centre for Older People
The Church of St Chad & St Mark
The Divine Onkar Mission
The Embroiderers Guild, Wolverhampton Branch
The Ettingshall Village Association
The Haven Wolverhampton
The Inspirational Ladies Group
The Village—Keeping It Real
Time Out Project
United Ex-Service Council, W'ton & District
Urdu Centre Wolverhampton
Victim Support
Volunteer Centre
West Midlands Autistic Society (W'ton & District Support Group)
W.E.A.
Wednesfield Community Centre
West Midlands Caribbean Parents & Friends Association
Whitmore Reans Community Association
Whitmore Reans Credit Union Ltd
Whitmore Reans Welfare Centre
Wildside Activity Centre
Windsor Football Club
Wolverhampton Church Association for the Deaf
Wolverhampton Citizens' Advice Bureaux
Wolverhampton East District Scouts
Wolverhampton Elder Asians & Disabled Group
Wolverhampton English for Adults
Wolverhampton Fair Trade
Wolverhampton Friendship Centre O50
Wolverhampton History & Heritage Society
Wolverhampton Inter Faith Council
Wolverhampton Mosque Committee
Wolverhampton Over 50's Forum
Wolverhampton Pensioners' Convention (Grey Wolves)
Wolverhampton Quaker Meeting
Wolverhampton Sickle Cell Care & Activity Centre
Wolverhampton Sikh Council
Wolverhampton Wheelers Cycling Club
Wolves Aid
Woodcross Community Association
YMCA (Wolverhampton)
YMCA y-linx Centre
Your Voice
Zip Theatre Company

*Statement of Financial Activities for the year
ended 31st March 2008*

	Unrestricted funds 2008 £	Restricted funds 2008 £	Total funds 2008 £	Total funds 2007 £
INCOMING RESOURCES				
<i>Incoming Resources from generated funds</i>				
Voluntary Income	114,023	-	114,023	111,936
Investment Income	10,372	3,544	13,916	9,708
Incoming Resources from charitable activities	75,663	1,050,706	1,126,369	954,852
TOTAL INCOMING RESOURCES	<u>200,058</u>	<u>1,054,250</u>	<u>1,254,308</u>	<u>1,076,496</u>
RESOURCES EXPENDED				
Charitable Activities	190,816	939,285	1,130,101	895,480
Governance Costs	7,391	-	7,391	6,800
TOTAL RESOURCES EXPENDED	<u>198,207</u>	<u>939,285</u>	<u>1,137,492</u>	<u>902,280</u>
NET INCOMING RESOURCES BEFORE TRANSFERS	1,851	114,965	116,816	174,216
Transfers between funds	(254)	254	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS	<u>1,597</u>	<u>115,219</u>	<u>116,816</u>	<u>174,216</u>
Total funds brought forward	197,357	283,122	480,479	306,263
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31 March 2008	<u><u>198,954</u></u>	<u><u>398,341</u></u>	<u><u>597,295</u></u>	<u><u>480,479</u></u>

Balance Sheet at 31st March 2008

	2008	2007
	£	£
Fixed assets		
Tangible assets	22,042	4,322
Current assets		
Debtors	127,227	146,080
COIF charities deposit fund	318,287	161,220
Cash at bank and in hand	243,116	312,270
	<u>688,630</u>	<u>619,570</u>
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	<u>(113,377)</u>	<u>(143,413)</u>
Net current assets	<u>575,253</u>	<u>476,157</u>
Net assets	<u><u>597,295</u></u>	<u><u>480,479</u></u>
Reserves		
Unrestricted funds:		
General unrestricted fund	137,257	125,566
Designated funds	61,697	71,791
Restricted funds:		
Health and Well Being/HSC	18,410	(3,721)
HIV/AIDS	2,289	2,289
Regeneration Zone	20,284	20,284
Mental Health Empowerment	100,379	42,248
Quality Initiative	10,000	10,000
Fundability	17,470	20,270
Compact	21,695	4,591
Right People Right Skills	156,666	155,391
Drug Services User Involvement	15,890	14,421
Cultural Change	13,185	2,640
Community Accountant	22,073	14,709
Total funds	<u><u>597,295</u></u>	<u><u>480,479</u></u>

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part VII of the Companies Act 1985 relating to small companies, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective January 2007).

The financial information in these statements does not comprise the full statutory financial statements of WVSC for the year end 31st March 2008, but represent extracts from them. These extracts can not be expected to provide as full an understanding of the financial performance as reading of the complete Report of the Board of Trustees and Financial Statements for the year ending 31st March 2008.

The full financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees and authorised for issue on 12th September 2008.

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