



Community Development Practice Hub: Birmingham

Do you or your organisation 'work with' people in Birmingham so they can take collective action to make changes to things that are important to them and their communities? You may be in a paid or volunteering role e.g. Community Enabler, Connector, Helper, Builder, Guide, Networker, Liaison or Development Worker.

The Community Development Practice Hub aims to connect, inspire and upskill community development practitioners across Birmingham. Come join us on this exciting journey. We offer a tailored approach with a focus on Birmingham-specific learning, challenges, and achievements.

Launching on the 3rd September the hub will offer an initial six-month programme of peer learning, talks, training and networking opportunities. [You can reserve launch event tickets here](#)

If you or anyone in your organisation, would you like to discuss the Community Development Practice Hub and ways to participate or contribute, please contact David Coffin davidc@bvsc.org

A flavour of our programme is below:

Peer Learning

- An **Action Learning Group** for anyone managing front-line community development practitioners, delivering work in an asset-based way. [See more here](#)
- A monthly **Community Development Group** for anyone involved in community development across Birmingham to get together to share practice, work through challenges and build the relationships that enable us to get the job done when the system just isn't enough. [See more here](#)

Digital Meeting Space

- A digital space where you can discuss and share information, news and events with other Community Development practitioners in Birmingham.

Training/Workshops

- A six-week training course, exploring community development through themed conversations. Each theme inviting practitioners to reflect on elements of community development to consider, 'what is strong'.
- Skills development workshops and training e.g. Appreciative Inquiry, Reflective Practice, Active Listening and Communication Skills. [See all our training and workshops here](#)

Speakers

- Talks and workshops relevant to community development practice, including from people working with communities in Birmingham.

Knowledge Bank

- An open-access online resource outlining best practices from Birmingham and beyond, with guides, case studies and practical tools.

The Community Development Practice Hub has been developed by Birmingham Voluntary Service Council (BVSC) and is funded by [The National Lottery Community Fund](#), the largest funder of community activity in the UK. It aims to develop creative ways for people to be actively involved in their local communities, to test and learn from new approaches to designing services which aim to make people's lives healthier and happier.

