# The VCSE Sector and the STP Working Together: Participation Fund Criteria









Participation funds are available to enable the involvement of smaller, local organisations in this project. To be eligible for the participation fund, your VCSE organisation must meet <u>two</u> of the following criteria:

- 1) Your VCSE group/organisation is new (delivering services for less than 2 years).
- 2) Your VCSE group/organisation had less than £500,000 annual income in the last financial year.
- 3) Your VCSE group/organisation is providing health or wellbeing-related services for people or communities in priority wards or areas of multiple deprivation<sup>1</sup>, or for equalities groups/socially excluded communities.

#### Participation fund amounts are:

- £50 per VCSE organisation for attending a focus group
- £150 per VCSE organisation for attending the event

If your organisation meets <u>two</u> of the above criteria and you would like to apply, please email <u>info@voscur.org</u> with the subject 'Participation Fund', or call Voscur on 0117 909 9949 and ask to speak to Phoebe or Ellie.

Please include the below information in your email, or have it available when you call us:

- Organisation name
- What your organisation does that could feed into the STP
- Contact name
- Email
- Phone number
- Whether you would like to attend a focus group, the event, or both
- If your organisation or group is new, when did it start?
- If your income is less than £500k, what was the income in the last financial year?
- If your organisation is providing health or wellbeing-related services, please give some brief details of these services
- Your bank name; the account holder name; the sort code; the account number

## **Application Deadlines**

The deadline for focus group Participation Fund applications is **11 March 2019**. The deadline for engagement event Participation Fund applications is TBC.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Priority Wards in Bristol are the equivalent of areas listed in the Indices of Multiple Deprivation for North Somerset and South Gloucestershire. See overleaf.

#### **Terms & Conditions**

- Allocation of participation funds will be informed by the need to achieve balance in participation.
  We are interested in ensuring the participation of a range of VCSE organisations. Allocations will be made to ensure diversity.
- Payment will be made after attendance at the focus group or event, unless that presents difficulties (in which case, please speak to Voscur).
- Please note that if a high number of funding requests are received, the allocation to each eligible organisation may be reduced to ensure maximum participation.

## **Priority Wards and Areas of Multiple Deprivation**

The following areas of Bristol are listed by Bristol City Council as priority wards:

**North Bristol** - Avonmouth, Lawrence Weston, Sea Mills, Henbury, Southmead, Lockleaze and Upper Horfield.

**East-Central and East Bristol** - St Pauls & St Werburghs (Ashley ward), Barton Hill, The Dings & Old Market (Lawrence Hill ward), Easton and Redfield (Easton ward), Stapleton (Eastville), St George, Fishponds (Frome Vale), Hillfields.

**South Bristol** - Knowle & Knowle West, Hartcliffe & Withywood, Whitchurch Park, Highridge (Bishopsworth ward), Hengrove, Stockwood, and the disadvantaged neighbourhoods within Totterdown, Windmill Hill, and Bedminster wards.

The following areas of North Somerset are listed by North Somerset Council as areas of multiple deprivation:

**Central Weston** 

**South Ward** 

Clevedon

**Portishead** 

**Long Ashton** 

Wrington

**Banwell** 

The following areas of South Gloucestershire are listed by South Gloucestershire Council as areas of multiple deprivation:

Kingswood - Kings Chase

Staple Hill - Pendennis Estate

**Cadbury Heath** – 'Banjo Island' (area around The Batch and surrounding estate)

Patchway – Coniston Road and Rodway Road

Yate - Abbotswood, Cranleigh Court Estate