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More next time

WSMS, as part of a Pan Sussex Mediation Alliance, has received a grant from the 'Safer in Sussex Community Fund' which is an initiative of the Sussex Police & Crime Commissioner, Katy Bourne. The four Alliance members will use the funding to service referrals made by Police staff across East and West Sussex, in support of the priorities of the Police and Crime Plan.

Over 60 local organisations have been awarded grants totalling almost £300,000 from the Fund.

Successful bidders joined Katy Bourne at a special 'Celebration Showcase' event at her office in Lewes on 19th June for an official cheque presentation. Can you spot our Chairman?



Trustee Meetings

If anyone would like to sit in, as an observer, at a trustees meeting, do let the office know. The next meeting is to be held on Monday 21st July in the meeting room of the Capitol Theatre, North Street, Horsham. The final meeting of 2014, at the same venue, is scheduled for Monday 13th October.

The invitation to our AGM in September is on Page 3. RSVP's are always appreciated.

Referrals

We finished June with 27 referrals covering a diverse list of topics including children, pets, verbal abuse, noise, harassment, boundary, garden, hedge, parking, shared space, building work, antisocial behaviour and family. That was our second busiest June on record.



The total referrals for the 1st quarter were 83 against a total of 57 in 2013, a fair increase. A snapshot on 8th July showed 23 mediators on the board assigned to current or pending cases.

Events

We have a stand at Sparks in the Park in Horsham Park on Sunday 13th July. You will find us in the Rotary Charity area near the Sports Zone. Fingers crossed for some good weather as two years ago the event had to be cancelled due to bad weather and poor ground conditions.



The event will be celebrating the 400th Anniversary of the Horsham St. Leonards Forest Dragon. A number of themed activities are planned along with a tie-in to the new 'How to Train Your Dragon 2' film which is being shown at the Capitol Horsham from the week before.

For further details of the Family day out visit:
<http://www.sparksinthepark.co.uk/>

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AGM Invitation



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WEST SUSSEX MEDIATION SERVICE

have pleasure in inviting you to the

13th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

to be held

at 6.00pm on Thursday 25th September 2013

in the

**Look & Sea Centre,
Surrey Street, Littlehampton, BN17 5AW**

Guest Speaker

Katy Bourne

Sussex Police and Crime Commissioner

Light refreshments

RSVP to:

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Quote of the Day

Whenever you're in conflict with someone, there is one factor that can make the difference between damaging your relationship and deepening it. That factor is attitude.

William James

Vacancy

TRAINING & VOLUNTEER DEVELOPMENT OFFICER VACANCY

Brighton & Hove Independent Mediation Service (BHIMS)

In light of Alice Sharville's imminent departure, BHIMS are seeking to recruit her replacement. **Applications need to be received by 18th July.**

In your application please confirm your availability for interviews which we are scheduling to take place the week commencing the 21st July

Please follow the links below for an application form and job description
or contact BHIMS on 01273 700812 or mediation@bhims.org.uk

<http://gallery.mailchimp.com/3dc21f5f1ffd302ada466ab85/files/c9e688d7-8391-449c-8f38-0a1e42001e64.docx>

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ID Cards

We have a new supplier for our photo ID Cards. We like our volunteers to identify themselves to new clients at first introduction. Here is a picture of a sample sent to us by the service provider ahead of us signing up with them.

Apparently a rather well known face has joined our rank and files under a pseudonym! ----->

