**Market Engagement Advert**

**Wandsworth Voluntary Sector Co-ordination Project**

**Contract Value: c. £120k per annum**

**Contract length: 3 years with an option to extend for a further 2 years**

NHS Wandsworth Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) and Wandsworth Borough Council (WBC) have a role in helping to build the capacity and infrastructure of voluntary organisations within Wandsworth to strategically connect and involve them in local decision-making structures. We are looking to engage with appropriately qualified and experienced organisations who wish to:

* express their interest and
* inform the design of a system to achieve our shared vision of a sustainable and vibrant voluntary and community sector.

The overall aims of this service are as follows:

1. To create a more coordinated and better connected third sector, by appointing a coordinator to act as a preliminary intermediary between the sector and the CCG/WBC
2. To help identify to the CCG/WBC where resources can be deployed most effectively into the third sector**.**
3. To ensure better communication and understanding between the Voluntary Sector and CCG/WBC
4. To develop a robust (single point) commissioning mechanism and governance processes to ensure transparency and equity.
5. To provide verifiable evidence of the impact and value of third sector contributions towards the CCG/WBC’s health objectives including measurable reductions in health inequalities and improved health outcomes.
6. To work collaboratively to build a viable and sustainable third sector, similar in structure to the Wandsworth GP Federation
7. To offer light- touch capacity building support to smaller organisations/groups to help them become better connected, more resilient and a more viable proposition for funding and investment

The aim of this early market engagement exercise is to gauge potential interest in this contract opportunity and the feedback received will be used to inform both the final service specification and procurement approach.

Expressions of interest are now invited and we will be holding 2 Market Engagement Events on:

Tuesday 16 April from 1-3pm

Thursday 25 April from 1-3pm

Both events will be held in Putney

**Please note you need only attend ONE of these events as they are repeated to enable maximum participation**

The venue has limited space, so in order to ensure that everyone who is interested can attend you are asked to bring a maximum of TWO people to the event.

Please contact susan.shaw25@nhs.net if you are interested in either of the above events with the names and contract details of attendees

Participation in the engagement exercise is not a mandatory requirement for participating in any potential future procurement; however, responses received will assist to inform the Commissioner as to the level of interest from the market and will be used to inform the procurement approach. CONFIRMATION OF YOUR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST IS THEREFORE IMPORTANT