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## **VOLUNTARY SECTOR NEWS**

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**W**elcome to the latest BBWCVS newsletter. You can download a copy of this edition and previous editions online in our member area. Please visit [www.bbwcvs.org.uk](http://www.bbwcvs.org.uk). We hope that you make time to read this edition (and pass it on to other staff/volunteers) although we know that pressure on time is one of the biggest issues you face. That is why we are continually looking at ways on how we can improve this newsletter. So if you have any suggestions or ideas please let us know.

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# CHIEF OFFICER'S UPDATE

Welcome to our final newsletter of the year. Like many of you we have already started planning for the New Year with new staff members and activities to look forward to.

## **Basildon CVS Conference in Partnership with Basildon Council Monday 26 February at the Gielgud room in the Towngate Theatre**

We are pleased to announce that our next voluntary and community sector conference will be held on Monday 26 February.

The event is in its fourth year, and this year we are focusing on Future Forward: Future Proofing Local Voluntary Action. At the event we will also be thinking about collaboration and partnerships. The overarching aim is to share perspectives and build knowledge to enhance collaborative practices in Basildon and Essex – both within and beyond the sector.

This year the event falls at a very opportune moment following the recent launch of the Breakthrough Basildon Commission and the successful bid to Sport England for funding to improve Health and Well Being in Basildon, Colchester and Tendring. As a result we have extended an invitation to Dr Jonathan Carr-West to open the event.

We are expecting 50 participants mainly from the local VCS but representatives from the public and private sectors are also welcome.

We are pleased to confirm that Mandy Johnson, CEO of the Small Charities Coalition, Carolyn Taylor the Chief Officer from the Essex Community Foundation and Jane Ide, NAVCA's Chief Executive have all agreed to participate.

We are naturally delighted to welcome such high profile speakers but we will also be offering interactive workshops and lightening talks.

It will run from 9.30 am until 3.00pm and includes refreshments and lunch.

Full registration will open in January 2018.

## **Staffing Changes**

The New Year will also see staffing changes at the CVS with the appointment of a new apprentice, a new volunteer coordinator, a social prescribing navigator and administrator.

Interviews have taken place for the Volunteer Coordinator so an appointment will be made soon. However, there may be a reduced service in early January before a full service can resume.

Sadly two of our team left in the run up to Christmas to take up new roles elsewhere. They were Pauline Whale and Emily Lawrence. Both played a valuable part in the delivery of the social prescribing and Volunteer Centre services and so we will miss their skill and experience. We wish them all the best in their new roles.

We are recruiting for the vacant Social Prescription role. This role is highlighted elsewhere in this newsletter, with further details available on the CVS website.

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## Essex Health and Well Being Board/Active Essex – Sports England bid

Earlier this month Tracey Couch MP, the Sports Minister announced that Essex has been chosen to trail-blaze the transformation of the way sport and physical activity is offered in England with 11 other places selected to work on a ground-breaking new approach to tackling inactivity in our communities. At the CVS we were delighted to hear this news having played a small part along with the CVS's in Tendring and Colchester to support the bids.

Around £100 million of Sport England Lottery funding will be allocated to the below over next four years – each place selected following a rigorous selection process with Sport England in partnership with Public Health England. They cover a mix of geographies (urban, rural and coastal), have a range of political make-ups (local authorities, boroughs, counties) and varying population sizes and inequalities to address.

The key will be encouraging stronger collaboration between a wider range of local organisations including voluntary groups, social enterprises, local authorities, faith organisations, schools, GPs and parenting groups. These pilots are deliberately focused on whole system change where there is a need for vision and leadership at the highest level and the collaboration of stakeholders who, at all levels, are committed to tackling inactivity to achieve population level change.

Sport England will work closely with each local pilot to create a *bespoke approach* based on the unique needs of local communities. Each place will have its own solutions and the engagement of a Sport England team.

### Next Steps:

Last week Sport England invited all 12 local pilots to come together for the first time. Essex was represented by Scott Logan, Managing Director Basildon Borough Council and Jason Fergus from Active Essex. Their next step will be to visit all 12 pilots in January to discuss the following:

1. What capacity you feel you need to start to build momentum and what capacity and/or resource are you able to dedicate presently?
2. Any critical timings/deadlines you are working towards – what are they? And when?
3. Any points you feel you need to discuss/agree with Sport England before we move forward?
4. What external pressures are you having to manage right now? Are there some key messages you need from us to help you with this?

With the support from officers in the project team Active Essex has started to draft some early thoughts and will focus on the inception phase of this work in next 3 months.

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Some of the whole system building blocks will include:

- Vision
- Outcomes and accountability
- Communications and engagement
- Culture change & people development
- Insight and audience
- Governance
- Delivery

A wider stakeholder briefing is being planned for mid or late January attended by Sport England so we will be in touch early next month to provide an update.

This is an exciting opportunity for us all in Essex and we look forward to sharing the journey with the sector in the next few years.

## **Breakthrough Basildon Borough Commission**

The work and agenda for the Commission is covered extensively elsewhere in this newsletter.

We are eager to highlight the important contribution that the sector locally and in Essex makes to reducing inequalities in Basildon and across Essex. We will therefore be submitting our initial thoughts and ideas to the Commission early in the New Year. This will undoubtedly have added value if that submission represents a collective view of the sector.

At this stage the submission will include thoughts on:

- The need to work and develop effective partnership with local business
- The need invest in longer-term funding for organisations
- To invest in volunteering and its infrastructure support
- To reflect on successful programmes delivered locally including Community First and the Big Local

Click [here](#) to see the Breakthrough Basildon Launch Video.

## **Tesco Bags of Help Scheme - Homeless SHELTER Emergency Night Shelter (BENS)**

As you may be aware the CVS has been assisting with the development of the Emergency Night Shelter this year with guests already using the provision at the five local venues. To do more we need your assistance. We have entered the project/service into the Tesco Bags of Help programme and the voting for the project is due to start in Tesco store/s on the 2 January 2018. You are able to vote until the end of February 2018 so there is plenty of time.

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We appreciate that the other projects will be valuable and all have merit. But if you wish to support the SHELTER programme please vote!

In the meantime, enjoy your Christmas with family and friends and we look forward to seeing you all in 2018.

With best wishes,

Christopher Evans

CEO

# BREAKTHROUGH BASILDON COMMISSION

## Breakthrough Basildon Borough Commission

‘Breakthrough Basildon Borough’ is an independent think tank dedicated to explore in detail the issues and barriers for all communities across the Basildon Borough.’

Focused specifically on beginning to enable *inclusive growth* in the Borough – a concept recently created to advance equitable opportunities for economic and social growth, with an expected outcome that benefits every section of society – the Commission aims to make strategic recommendations and *inspire change*.

Over the coming months, the Breakthrough Basildon Borough Commission will engage and involve the people who know Basildon best - its residents, communities, organisations, and businesses. It will be free to make its own investigations, consider the evidence, and talk to residents, businesses, schools, colleges and elected representatives, whilst participating in meaningful workshops both separately as a Commission Panel and collectively in the form of stakeholder workshops. To this extent, the Breakthrough Basildon Borough Commission aims to:

- Understand to what extent strategic existing social, economic and political initiatives have made an impact on Basildon Borough in ensuring inclusive growth and the extent to which existing policies, initiatives and interventions have either progressed or regressed this.
- Understand the overall characteristics of successful places and understand how, by addressing the various socio-economic and political challenges in Basildon, it can become a Borough of more inclusive growth.
- Suggest a strategic framework for achieving inclusive growth in Basildon Borough, which should act as a framework that works for everyone.
- Make strategic recommendations for how the community, the public sector, the private sector, and the Council can work together to achieve more inclusive growth in the future, ensuring that the Borough can create an ‘economy that works for everyone’.
- Consider strategic opportunities for the Basildon Borough both as an overall and as a ‘brand’, and suggest how a more holistic approach may be beneficial to the Borough. During and after this commission it is intended that.
- Locally, the results of the Breakthrough Basildon Borough Commission will be used to recommend strategies for how to begin to create inclusive growth in future Council policy, and in the Basildon Borough.
- Nationally, it is hoped that our strategic recommendations and suggestions add to existing commissions and discussions in Central Government.

You will hear more about the work of the Commission over the coming months. In the meantime you can follow them on Twitter at [@breakthroughbas](https://twitter.com/breakthroughbas), via their website at [www.breakthroughbasildonborough.com](http://www.breakthroughbasildonborough.com), or contact them via their email address at [info@breakthrough-basildon-borough.co.uk](mailto:info@breakthrough-basildon-borough.co.uk)

## Your care in the best place - At home, in your community and in our hospitals



The five clinical commission groups in mid and south Essex have launched a formal public consultation on outline plans for the future of health and care services. The consultation will last until 9 March 2018, make sure you have your say.

The proposals are a result of detailed work undertaken by clinical teams across health and care organisations to improve the services provided to the 1.2 million people living in mid and south Essex.

The Joint Committee of the CCGs yesterday gave approval to begin consultation on proposals which include:

- Making improvements in A&E at all three hospitals with the development of new assessment and treatment centres alongside each A&E. All three A&Es will be led by a consultant, open 24 hours a day and will receive “blue light” ambulances.
- Develop a new specialist stroke centre which would provide the highest dependency and intensive care for people in the first 72 hours following a stroke alongside rapid access to diagnostics and specialist interventions. This would be in addition to the existing stroke care units at all three hospitals which would remain in place.
- Bring together in one place some specialist inpatient care where there is existing expertise and to allow for extended hours, seven day a week consultant and specialist cover for these services. Clinical evidence from elsewhere shows that this would improve care and the chances of a making a good recovery.
- Separate some planned operations from emergency cases. Some complex orthopaedic operations that need a few days hospital stay could be performed in Southend Hospital for people in south Essex and Braintree Community Hospital for people in mid Essex. This would reduce cancelled operations and rates of infection by separating this type of care from emergency care.
- Moving community services closer to where people live. For example in Thurrock the proposals outline how services currently provided at Orsett Hospital could be provided in four new “integrated medical centres” and existing and new facilities across Basildon and Brentwood.

These changes are alongside the collective intention of health and care services to build up GP and community services and extend the range of professionals and services available via GP practices as part of a bold plan to provide increased care for local communities closer to where they live.

Feedback from the consultation will then undergo independent review before it is considered by the Joint Committee in the early summer of 2018 along with clinical evidence, financial plans and other details in a final business case. You can also download the consultation document [here](#).

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Full details of the proposals and the ways in which people can get involved and have their say are available at [www.nhsmidandsouthessex.co.uk](http://www.nhsmidandsouthessex.co.uk)

## **Your say on the new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Essex**

Public Health need your support and input to develop a new Joint Health and Wellbeing Strategy for Essex, which they expect to launch in summer 2018. This will be an important strategy for Essex, setting out the position to the wider public and providing a catalyst and focus for further progress in the Essex 'footprint'.

They are making arrangements to support discussions at a range of partnership boards and meetings, including District Health and Wellbeing Boards and CCGs, and will be in touch about this.

The new JHWS will set out the key priorities that they will commit to taking forward together over the next three to five years through the Essex Health and Wellbeing Board, District boards and other partnerships. It should be informed by and support delivery of other key strategies, including the Essex Vision, STP plans and District health and wellbeing plans.

It will also have a focus on 'place-based health', and the wide range of things that contribute to the health and wellbeing of Essex residents and communities, whether that is – for example - health and social services, housing and planning, transport, employment, community safety or the environment.

To this end attached is short engagement document and other resources to support conversations in your area, organisation or partnership and to ask for your feedback. The engagement document includes key questions, but they would encourage partners to feed back to in whatever way works best for you. They will need your responses to this first phase of consultation by the end of February 2018, so they can go to the Essex Health and Wellbeing Board for 21 March for review, and will be in touch with you to discuss how we can support this. In the second phase, they will be seeking your comments on a draft strategy.

As a CVS we welcome any comments you wish to make. Whilst you are welcome to make independent submissions we would be grateful if you could copy us into any response. This can then be used to inform a broader response.

For further information or to discuss how we can support your discussions of the new JHWS, please contact Chris on [chris@bbwcvcs.org.uk](mailto:chris@bbwcvcs.org.uk).

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We are able to give funding advice and support on funding opportunities and approaches to fundraising.

This includes:

- **FREE** access to NCVO's Funding Central identifying possible sources of funding.
- Developing and discussing funding strategies.
- Commenting on and helping with draft applications.
- Identifying and monitoring outcomes in a straightforward way.
- Exploring the best way of improving your organisation's financial sustainability.
- Identifying other useful free funding search engines to assist you in your exploration for funding.

We offer this support either at face-to-face meetings, by phone and/or by email. We have good relationships with local funders and we can also help you review applications that have been unsuccessful or help clarify any issues or problems that crop up.

For further assistance please contact Catherine Sackey on 01268 294439 or email [catherine@bbwcvs.org.uk](mailto:catherine@bbwcvs.org.uk).

## Henry Smith Charity - Improving Lives main grants programme open



Following a review of their grant making, the Henry Smith Charity has launched a new strategy for the Main Grants Programme, which is now divided between Improving Lives and Strengthening Communities. The Charity which is one of the largest independent grant making trusts in the UK, is focussed on bringing about lasting change in people's lives and help them to benefit from and contribute to society.

Grants of between £20,000 and £60,000 per year are available. Funding for up to three years is available. The Charity's three main priorities are as follows:

1. Increasing resilience - empowering people, encouraging integration and personal independence, helping people to recover and move on.
2. Creating opportunities and life chances - raising aspiration – equipping people with new skills, unlocking and enabling potential, and providing the means to improve life circumstances.
3. Empowering communities - strengthening and connecting communities and making people feel valued, providing opportunities for social connections and relationships, encouraging participation and inclusion.

### Improving Lives programme

The Improving Lives grant programme provides grants to charitable organisations that help people when other sources of support have failed, are inappropriate, or are simply not available. Organisations delivering services directly to beneficiaries will be supported and

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services which can demonstrate a track record of success, and evidence the effectiveness of the work are encouraged.

## Strengthening Communities programme

The Strengthening Communities grant programme is designed to support small charitable organisations working at grassroots level, ensuring funding reaches the most disadvantaged areas of the UK, targeting places that are economically marginalised and affected by poverty.

Funding for both Improving Lives and Strengthening Communities programmes will support work that enables:

- People from across the community to participate in activities which improve connectedness, opportunities and wellbeing
- People who are excluded, vulnerable or facing other forms of hardship to have access to community-based services that support positive lasting change
- A stronger, active, more engaged community.

Charities and not-for-profit organisations, including social enterprises are encouraged to apply. Groups that are not registered charities must have a constitution to demonstrate a charitable purpose.

Deadline: Applications can be submitted at any time. There are no deadlines and applications are assessed as they are received. For more information and eligibility [click here](#).

## PCC: Community Safety Development Fund



The Police and Crime Commissioner for Essex (PCC) are providing funding for projects that aim to tackle crime and anti-social behaviour across Essex.

Proposals must meet the PCC's priorities, these include:

- Breaking the cycle of domestic abuse
- Crackdown on anti-social behaviour
- Local, visible and accessible policing
- Tackle gangs and organised crime
- Protecting children and vulnerable people

CSDF Application Form 2017/18 [CSDF Application Form 2017-18](#)

Guidance on CSDF bid criteria [NEW CSDF Criteria 2017-18](#)

Maximum Grant: £20,000

**Deadline:** 31 January 2018

## Big Lottery Fund: Webinars



The Big Lottery Fund hosts weekly webinars for its funding programmes, [Awards for all](#) on Tuesdays and [Reaching Communities](#) on Thursdays.

The Webinars last approximately 30 minutes with additional time for questions and answers. You can [Email](#) the organisers, for any additional queries you may have.

### Why should I attend a Webinar and what are the benefits?

Webinars will provide you with LIVE information on our funding and are presented by friendly and informative Funding Officers from the Big Lottery Fund. You can ask questions during the seminar through an interactive chat panel.

Feedback from recent attendees has shown the value of webinars and comments include:

- “The webinar software is easy to use and the presentation itself gave relevant examples relating specifically to the application questions.”
- “Great explanation of outcomes and demonstrating need, I feel confident about applying for funding now.”
- “Incredibly useful information on types projects you fund, reject reasons and governance information to share with new groups.”
- “Informative, good length, easy to understand and good interaction, which answered all my questions quickly.”

## Greggs Foundation – Environmental Grant

Improving people's lives by improving their environment



Greggs believe that looking after our neighbourhoods can have a real impact on the quality of life of the people who live there. The Environmental Grant fund is therefore dedicated to improving the local environment - whether that means turning a piece of wasteland into a garden or organising litter picking days on the beach. Greggs look to fund projects that improve the physical environment in a way that also benefits the wider community. They have seven local charity committees which meet regularly throughout England, Scotland and Wales to review applications and award grants. They offer grants of up to £2,000 and concentrate on helping existing not for profit organisations to deliver new projects. Organisations may only apply once per calendar year for this grant.

How to apply:

Follow the link at the bottom of [this page](#) to be taken to an online application form. After successful submission, you will receive an automatic email with the details of your application.

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If you don't receive an email it is likely that something has gone wrong, you may wish to check your spam folder before contacting us. If you do however, need our assistance please contact Greggs Foundation on 0191 2127626 and we can help you.

R1 is now open and closes on 9th March with decisions being announced by 27th April 2018

## Business Workshops

Can your business benefit from specialist advice and insight?



The [Best Growth Hub](#) and [Essex County Council](#) are hosting business workshops across 2018 which focus on a range of topics that include:

- Crisis management
- Generating sales
- How to access finance
- Risk management and SWOT analysis

All workshops are taking place across Essex and start from just £10! [Click here](#) for more information and to book a place

## Essex Community Foundation: Funds accepting applications



Are you a voluntary or community organisation currently working to benefit people in Essex? The [Essex Community Foundation](#) is accepting applications for a number of funds that take action and improve the lives of local people in Essex.

Selected funds accepting applications include:

- [General Grants](#)
- [Thriving Third Sector fund](#)
- [The Community Resilience Fund](#)
- [Comic Relief: Core Strength - Local Communities](#)

Deadlines vary between funds and more funds are [available on their website](#).

# VACANCIES

## **Social Prescription/Care Navigator (fixed term contract)**

Looking for an opportunity to be part of an exciting new Care Navigation Service? Can you support patients and help improve their health and well-being? Then we may have a role for you. Basildon, Billericay and Wickford Council for Voluntary Service are working with Provide and the Community Agents develop a new Care Navigation Service to people in Basildon and Brentwood.

To develop this exciting work we are seeking to appoint a new social prescription navigator.

You will:

Work with voluntary and community groups to provide patient support for GP practices.

You will be used to working with a caseload of patients, monitoring their progress. Therefore experience in a health or social care setting is desirable.

The closing date for these post is **Friday 29 December at 4.30pm**. Shortlisted candidates will be required to attend a local interview in the week commencing 8 January 2018.

This is a fixed term contract for a 15 month period. Successful candidates will be required to undertake an enhanced DBS check and a right to work in the UK check

[Equal Opps Monitoring Form](#)

[Application form SPNAv](#)

[SP Navigator JD 2017](#)

**SP Navigator Salary: SO1 scp 29-31 £25,951 – £27,668 (full time 35 hrs) Applications to job share will be considered.**

## **Changing Pathways**

Changing Pathways (formerly Basildon Women's Aid) is a domestic abuse charity that supports individuals and their children experiencing or fleeing domestic abuse across Basildon, Brentwood, Castle Point, Rochford and Thurrock.

They are currently recruiting for:

Children and Young People's Practitioner (Thurrock)

Children and Young People's Practitioner – Parenting Lead (Basildon)

They are seeking two dynamic and skilled practitioners to work in their specialist service providing support and interventions to children and young people who have experience of domestic abuse in their family life. The ability to relate to children of all ages and their mothers in a refuge environment is essential. They are seeking individuals who strive to achieve the best outcomes for our children and young people, helping them to recover from their experiences and live fulfilling lives.

Hours: 37.5 hours per week with the post holder participating in an out of hours on-call service. There is an expectation that the post holder will be willing to work flexibly to meet the needs of the service, including evenings and weekends.

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The Thurrock post is offered on a fixed term basis until 31 December 2020 and the Basildon post is offered on a fixed term basis for 12 months (extension subject to funding).

Salary: £21,962 per annum

Benefits include 25 days' holiday per annum, training opportunities and a workplace pension.

To apply please complete the application form available from their website, demonstrating how you meet the requirements of the role and send to [paula.brown@changingpathways.org](mailto:paula.brown@changingpathways.org)

For an informal discussion of the role please contact Natasha Jean-Louis on 01268 581 591

Applications should be received no later than **9am on Tuesday 2nd January 2018**.

Interviews to be held, week commencing 8 January 2018.

Changing Pathways is committed to equality and diversity and welcomes applications from all sections of the community. The post will be subject to an enhanced DBS check and is open to women only (\*Exempt under the Equality Act 2010 Schedule 9, Part 1).

Further information is available at [www.changingpathways.org](http://www.changingpathways.org)

## **Community Builder - CVSU**

CVSU are recruiting for the new and exciting role of Community Builder, to work in the South Uttlesford Neighbourhood area of Essex.

This new role will focus upon supporting the Primary Care Teams to reduce the time demands placed upon them, particularly relating to loneliness and isolation issues primarily in the elderly.

Information about CVSU and all supporting documentation for this role can be found on [the CVSU website](#) or at [Charity Jobs CVSU Community Builder](#)

If you would like more information once you have reviewed the role, please call CVSU to arrange a discussion by phone.

Application forms only. No CV's please.

## All Ears! Living with Hearing Loss

**FREE to attend Please  
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**Friendly & informal sessions  
during 2018 for people who  
are new to wearing NHS  
hearing aids**

**Practical information,  
advice and guidance on how  
to best adjust to wearing  
hearing aids and managing  
your hearing loss**

**Learn about assistive  
equipment and technology  
that can really help you**

**Meet others and share  
experiences**

### **Basildon Session Dates 2018**

**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> February  
Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> May**

**All sessions will run 3pm-5pm at  
the Education Centre at Basildon  
Hospital**



**In association with HearAbility and Hearing  
Help Essex, Get some sound advice and make  
the most of your new hearing aids.**

**Sessions held in The Education Centre,  
Basildon Hospital, 3pm-5pm, dates on bottom  
left corner of this page**

Places for sessions are limited and must be booked in  
advance. For more information on session dates,  
further details and to make your reservation. Please  
contact:

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Phone: 01245 496347

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# VCS CALENDAR & EVENTS

## Annual Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's Partnership Conference 2018.

This year the conference will focus on 'Partnerships in Action' and highlight examples of effective partnerships that are making a real difference for the public. We will be welcoming a number of high profile speakers as well as offering interactive workshops and lightening talks. The conference will end with our annual Community Safety Awards where we recognise groups and individuals from across our county who have made a significant contribution to the people of Essex.

The event will take place on: Thursday 15th March 2018 at Boreham House, Main Road, Chelmsford, Essex, CM3 3HY. It will run from 9.30 am until 3.00pm and includes refreshments and lunch. Full registration will open in January 2018.

VCS Event Diary/Calendar 2018		
Date	Event	Contact
Thur 1 Feb at 9.30am - 3.00pm	All Ears! Living With Hearing Loss, The Education Centre, Basildon Hospital	<a href="mailto:help@hearinghelpessex.org.uk">help@hearinghelpessex.org.uk</a> 01245 496347
Mon 26 Feb at 9.30am - 3.00pm	Basildon CVS Conference in Partnership with Basildon Council, The Gielgud room, The Towngate Theatre	<a href="mailto:chris@bbwcvcs.org.uk">chris@bbwcvcs.org.uk</a>
Thurs 15 Mar at 9.30am - 3.00pm	Annual Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner's Partnership Conference 2018, Boreham House, Chelmsford	
Tue 15 May at 9.30am - 3.00pm	All Ears! Living With Hearing Loss, The Education Centre, Basildon Hospital	<a href="mailto:help@hearinghelpessex.org.uk">help@hearinghelpessex.org.uk</a> 01245 496347

To book a place or for further information please use the identified contact. This calendar will be regularly updated throughout the year, so if you have events you wish to add please let us know.

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