

OPPORTUNITIES

East Durham Connected is an innovative advice and guidance partnership programme funded by the Community Fund until 2025.

We are seeking community partners to host advice services across East Durham. For more info contact:

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East Durham Trust
Moving our community forward



East Durham Creates is a 'Creative People and Places' arts engagement programme funded by Arts Council England until 2025.

To learn more and get involved visit:

www.eastdurhamcreates.co.uk



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EAST DURHAM TRUST

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Supporting the voluntary and community sector
in East Durham to 'move forward'

ABOUT EAST DURHAM TRUST

East Durham Trust is a VCS infrastructure organisation delivering poverty reduction and community development.

We promote community based and led support for the most marginalised and work in partnership with other VCS groups to develop and deliver a range of community based and led services.

We know the positive impact that working directly with our community can have on those most in need.

East Durham Trust operates on a 'hub and spoke' approach through well-established partnerships with our communities. As part of our development role we work to provide community development services to local VCS organisation and groups.

This includes a range of support including:

Volunteer Support

VCS Advice and Guidance

Networking and Influencing



East Durham Volunteer Centre is a nationally accredited volunteer centre delivering the five core functions of volunteering.

If you are a VCS group who needs support with volunteering East Durham Volunteer Centre can help with developing and creating volunteer roles, promoting volunteers roles and provide brokerage.

We also provide general advice on volunteering including reviewing volunteer policies, recruitment and retention of volunteers and lead on the annual volunteer week.

Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) Checks:

We also provide the only VCS DBS service to voluntary organisations in the area and provide advice and guidance on completing forms and support groups with safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

You can contact the volunteer centre by calling **0191-5693511** or emailing **colin.jackson@eastdurhamtrust.org.uk**

VCS ADVICE AND GUIDANCE

Do you need support with funding?

Are you wanting to develop your community organisation?

East Durham Trust provides local VCS groups with advice and support to help their group to thrive.

We offer a range of services including:

Community Organisation Support:

We welcome discussing how groups are getting on and how we can support them further this can be setting a group up from scratch, to reviewing policies, anything you would like to talk about issues your group is facing we are here to support you.



Funding advice:

We are happy to discuss proposals for groups seeking funding to provide existing or new services, this includes checking that your 'funder ready', sourcing potential funders and provide support on completing forms.



NETWORKING & INFLUENCING

East Durham Trust is on local, regional and national groups and bodies. Including countywide groups such as the Safer Durham Partnership and regional bodies such as the North East Funders Network. VCS organisations in East Durham can help influence these agendas and others via our networks.

Members Network:

An opportunity to meet and receive updates within our sector and provide an opportunity to network and receive peer learning. All Members are welcome to attend.

Community Building Network:

A forum for community buildings and facilities champions with various levels of expertise who meet and discuss issues that matter to them most and share best practice.