

Annual Community Interest Company Directors' Report on Creating Space For You (CIC)'s Community Benefit December 2012 – November 2013

Creating Space For You (CIC) completed its third year of trading at the end of November 2013. Here are the details of the community benefit that was delivered during that year:

Continuation of the design, development and delivery of Training4Good (November 2012 onwards)

- Developing systems, processes and procedures, including stand-alone website to enable Training4Good to become a project in its own right (Funding contribution from York Council for Voluntary Service: £750)
- Delivery of launch event to promote the concept, gain feedback on progress made and start brokerage process in March 2013 (Contribution from CS4U: £2,000)
- Development of marketing materials including brochures (Funding contribution from York Council for Voluntary Service: £400)
- Approximately 20 places were taken, including courses and one to one coaching support (Contribution from donated places: 20 places at an average of £100 per place = £2,000)
- Stakeholder engagement in review of processes, including the development of an outcomes framework
- Discussion about development of a potential membership offer concluded that this should be delayed until further work had been done in 2014

Outcome: Confirmed there is an interest in the projects from all stakeholders, some organisations have taken part in CS4U contribution to project:

- 50 days a standard day rate @ £500 per day: £25,000
- Launch event: £2,000

York Council for Voluntary Service Contribution: £1,150

Contribution from donated places: £2,000

Total contribution: £30,150

York Social Enterprise Network (Ongoing)

Supporting the continuation of the York Social Enterprise Network (YSEN) in association with York Council for Voluntary Service, enabling social enterprises to network, develop trade and opportunities for peer learning. Support has mainly involved keeping network members informed of local, regional and national developments via email, and developing a new website where people can share their social enterprise stories: www.inspiringsocialenterprise.org

Community benefit:

- CS4U have given 1 day a quarter of time over 12 months = 4 days @ standard day rate of £500 per day = £2,000
- Development of website: £1,000

Various bespoke workshops and events (ongoing) including organisational development, world café style events and open sessions

- Leadership taster session (2 x ½ day rate: £500)

One to one leadership coaching (ongoing) with senior staff in Voluntary, Community and Social Enterprise Sector organisations, helping them to develop their skills and build resilience in order to respond effectively to the current quickly changing environment.

Community benefit:

- Total of 18 sessions given @ £100 per session = £1,800

There has been significant community benefit from the work Creating Space For You has done that cannot be quantified financially, such as the benefits to people's self-esteem, the relationships that have developed as a result of taking part in training with a diverse range of participants and the aspirations that have been raised.

Directors have also given time to York Council for Voluntary Service and Social Enterprise Yorkshire and Humber, through governance roles (as Trustee / Director) to use our skills to support the development of these organisations.

However, it is also impressive to note that **Creating Space For You (CIC) has contributed £35,450** to upskilling the voluntary, community and social enterprise sectors around York and North Yorkshire in just one year, bringing **our total community contribution to £93,332 over the last 3 years.**