

The First Annual Conference of the **Stronger Communities Programme**

Wednesday 9 July 2008
The Crew Club, Whitehawk, Brighton



10.00 **Registration and refreshments**

10.15 **“The Big Map” exercise**

10.45 **Setting the Scene**
Guest Speaker

Presentation by Sally Hiscock (Chief Officer, CVSF)

The Forum's work in strengthening representation processes - what has been done and the plan for 2008/9

11.15 **Community Empowerment Speed Dating**

A chance to catch up on the latest successful community empowerment initiatives in Brighton & Hove, including the role Elected Reps in the city and the new Community Engagement Framework. A great opportunity to promote the community empowerment work of your own group or organisation too!

12.30 **Lunch**

Enjoy a buffet and performance from a CVSF member organisation.

1.15 **The Verbal Noticeboard**

An opportunity for your group to share news with others and hear updates from other groups.

1.45 **Your Space Workshops**

- Public health and services in local neighbourhoods – defining the community and voluntary sector's priorities
- Equalities Coalition meeting
- Children and Young People's Network meeting
- Training Taster on “Working with Volunteers” (led by the Brighton & Hove Volunteer Centre)
- Community Development Workers networking session (TBC)
- Disabled People & the Involvement Agenda (jointly led by the Federation of Disabled People and the Disability Equality Scheme group)

4.00 **Close**



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