



Welcome to our first newsletter of 2013

Already this year is presenting challenges as the City Council considers the public's responses to its budget proposals. Many of us in the sector are unsure of what lies ahead and the first voluntary sector assembly in February began to unpack some of this with key messages being that we all need to reconsider our funding strategies.

We will keep blogging commentaries as things unfold over the coming weeks so follow us on twitter and keep checking our website. If you're not confident with twitter or blogging why not come along to one of our social media surgeries.

If you are worried about your organisation's future remember that you can "hit" the Panic button which you will find on our website in "Resources and Information."

This issue of the newsletter gives lots of practical examples of services you can access through Macc including some case studies where we have provided capacity building support to groups with charity registration and forward planning.

If you are looking at ways to raise your profile you may be interested in our new Community Reporters project.

Finally, thanks to all of you who have contributed feedback through surveys and evaluations. The next issue will have a different feel to it and we will also have a summary of responses from the State of the Sector Survey too.

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Welcome to our Winter Newsletter

In this issue you will find information on:

- Manchester's first Voluntary Sector Assembly
- Case Study - Forward Planning: Choices Community Trust
- Training – what's coming up March 2013 onwards
- Manchester's first Social Media Surgery
- Volunteer Centre Manchester update
- Case Study - Charity Registration: North Manchester Partnership of Schools
- Community Reporters project
- Care and Support Funding Reform - Government Responds to Dilnot
- Our newsletter is changing

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