

Who created the Compact?

The development of the Compact has been led by a partnership between the Shropshire Voluntary and Community Sector Assembly and Shropshire Council.

Where can I find out more?

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View the full version of the Shropshire Compact on
Shropshire Council's website at:
www.shropshire.gov.uk/communityworking

Shropshire Council and
Voluntary and Community Sector
shared values and principles for
working together



You need to know about the Compact if you...

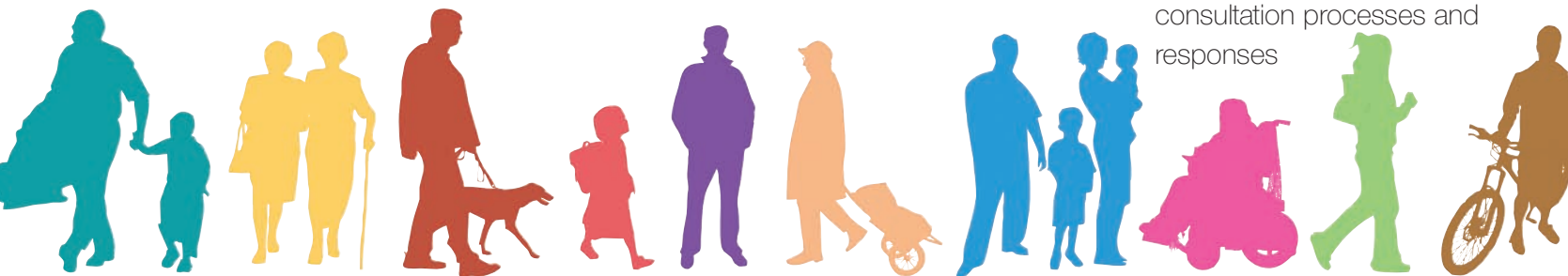
- Seek or receive project funding from Shropshire Council
- Administer grants or contracts on behalf of the Council
- Want to share your experiences and expertise
- Plan or deliver services to Shropshire residents
- Work with volunteers
- Value the contribution of volunteers
- Support community life in Shropshire
- Work directly with local communities

What is it?

The Compact is an agreement that sets out shared principles and guidelines for effective partnership working between Shropshire Council and Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) organisations in Shropshire.

Why is it important for me?

The Compact will help you to get the best out of your working relationships by setting out shared principles and expectations under four codes of best practice: funding, consultation, volunteering and equality of opportunity.



Compact Codes

Shropshire Council and the VCS will work together to...

Funding

- agree clear targets and timescales for project delivery
- ensure all project costs are identified and covered
- consider long term sustainability beyond the period of project funding

Consultation

- achieve wider VCS participation in the planning and delivery of services
- respect and benefit from each other's experience and expertise
- seek to reach and include all sectors of the community in consultation processes and responses

Volunteering

- promote volunteering and recognise its valuable contribution to community life
- ensure volunteers are properly managed and supported in their roles
- eliminate barriers to volunteering, particularly for excluded and hard-to-reach groups

Equality and Diversity

- encourage and support people from all communities and backgrounds to get involved
- develop a better understanding of equality and diversity issues
- identify and resolve gaps in all aspects of service planning and delivery