

Pembrokeshire Association of Voluntary Services

Your local county voluntary council



1. Getting started

1.7 Where to go for help

Third Sector Support Wales is a network of support organisations for the whole of the third sector in Wales. It consists of the 19 local and regional support bodies across Wales, the County Voluntary Councils (CVCs) and the national support body, Wales Council for Voluntary Action (WCVA).

We work with citizens, volunteers and third sector groups to identify and address what matters to them. Our core activities to strengthen the third sector and volunteering focus on:

- Enabling and supporting
- Being a catalyst
- Engaging and influencing

To achieve our shared goal we collaborate with other key partners across the third sector, the public sector, business, research and funders.

We have four pillars of activity that make up our universal offer, these are:

- Volunteering
- Good governance
- Sustainable funding
- Engagement and influencing

Our work is broadly focused on the common themes of:

- Information and advice
- Learning and development
- Networking and communication
- Shaping, influencing and building the social capital and resilience of the sector
- Raising the profile of the sector

County voluntary councils' (CVCs) key role is to provide advice and information to local voluntary organisations on any issue that may affect them. They support voluntary action by supporting volunteering, advising on good practice, providing information on funding sources along with a myriad of other issues. In addition, they represent the third sector (Charities, voluntary group, social enterprises and community groups) on cross-sector partnerships. Groups can also become members of their local CVC.

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<https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/charity-commission>

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