



Cheshire and Merseyside VCFSE News

June 2025

Welcome to our June update for voluntary, community, faith and social enterprise (VCFSE) colleagues in Cheshire and Merseyside (C&M).

Some of you will already be receiving our news directly, or via your local infrastructure organisation and this email complements that and is another way to share our updates with you.

We hope you find this newsletter useful and we encourage you to share it in full, or any of its content with your networks.

You can also find past and future editions online [here](#).

Updates

Population health annual report

Stronger Partnerships, Healthier Futures is the newly published annual report of C&M's director of population health.

Available as a [video](#) or [regular report](#), it celebrates some of the successful work of our C&M Population Health Partnership from the past year.

The [C&M VCFSE Health and Care Leaders Group](#) and transformation programme supports our sector's active involvement in the partnership's work – from the recent situation analysis on child poverty and supporting All Together Smokefree, to early involvement in the housing and health partnership.

You'll also recognise many areas where our VCFSEs are delivering initiatives for the likes of targeted lung health checks that are making a difference to the lives of our communities.

Another recent example of how the sector's working with public health and other partners to benefit our residents is [Community in Mind](#). This is a collaborative film featuring community groups, organisations and charities that are part of the Warrington in Mind alliance. The film was screened at Cineworld Warrington on 15 May to coincide with Mental Health Awareness Week 2025.

Cathy Elliott takes on new role

June's meeting of the NHS Cheshire and Merseyside board was the first for incoming chief executive, [Cathy Elliott](#) whose previous roles include working in the VCFSE sector in Merseyside.

We are expecting Cathy to join our C&M VCFSE Health and Care Leaders meeting in July to hear her early thoughts on our work together in this time of change.

You can view reports for this latest and all previous meetings on the [NHS C&M website](#).

A reminder our VCFSE full partner member of the board is VSNW chief executive, [Warren Escadale](#)

Events and Opportunities

Join us for Cheshire & Warrington VCFSE webinar



Cheshire and Warrington Infrastructure Partnership (CWIP) are hosting a webinar on **Wednesday 8th July at 3pm** to introduce a devolution manifesto for the VCFSE sector in Cheshire and Warrington. The area is part of the government's Devolution Priority Programme, with a Combined Authority and mayoral elections planned for May 2026.

The manifesto outlines the VCFSE's collective vision and asks for sector involvement in all devolution workstreams. Join this session to learn about the progress so far and how the sector can speak with one voice to influence change.

Register for the Webinar

Save the date for #DoWith North West



Our VSNW organised event with the King's Fund is a chance for your voice to shape the next steps of the #DoWith movement in the North West.

We're bringing people together from across sectors to ask how we make the shift to a real 'Do With' approach, not just in theory but in practice.

It's taking place on **at 10am on Monday 14 July**, at the **St. Thomas Centre in Manchester**.

[Learn more and Register](#)

Free opportunity - Neighbourhood First 'hackathon'



VCFSE neighbourhood leaders are invited to pull together a team of their local cross sector partners to take part in a Hackathon / Open Space style session, rethinking how care can truly shift closer to home.

Organised by The [North West Collaborative](#) with the Centre for Management Development & Innovation, the event on **17 July** is a chance to design new ideas, challenge old ways of working and co-create solutions that fit local needs.

[Learn more and Register](#)

Exciting opportunity – join us as a Partnership Officer for Cheshire & Merseyside!

VSNW are hiring a Partnership Officer (Cheshire & Merseyside) to help strengthen the voice of the VCFSE sector across the region. This 0.8 FTE role at VSNW involves coordinating programmes, supporting partnerships, and engaging with sector leaders. The role is fixed-term to March 2026, with hybrid working and a pro-rata salary of £26,692.80.

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