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Plymouth Volunteer Awards

As in 2010, the partnership of Plymouth Guild, the Plymouth Herald and Plymouth University are organising the biggest Plymouth Volunteer Award occasion of the year and nominations are presently being taken for the Inspiring Volunteering Awards 2011 on **June 15th**.

If you are interested in nominating someone you know please contact **Gill** on **01752 201 766** or email gill@plymouthguild.org.uk

Employment & Skills Festival

Thursday 12th May
10:30am - 4:00pm
@ Plymouth Albion,
Brickfields, Devonport
Covering **Employment,**
Careers Advice,
Volunteering & more
For more information call:
01752 614 817

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Networking: Plymouth fundraisers group

The second Plymouth Fundraiser group meeting took place in April, the aim to give local sector organisations a platform to share knowledge, ideas and support the sector in Plymouth as a whole.

The network now has a group on [Linked In](#) - to join please add [Claire Bower](#) to you Linked In profile and [Claire](#) will invite you to Join the Plymouth Fundraisers Group.

If you would like to attend the next group meeting on **Thursday 28th July** between **12-1pm** please e-mail Andy. Also contact Andy to find out more about Plymouth Fundraisers Network at: awhitehouse@routeways.org.uk



Future Training: Fundraising & Business planning

Sustainable Routes will be providing **Business plan & Fundraising training** again in July for all **PTSC** members free of charge:

Future training dates:

Business planning - Friday 10th June - 9:30am - 12:00pm

Funding bid writing - Friday 24th June - 9:30am - 12:00pm

If you would like to know more or book a place on the training please contact us on:

Telephone: 01752 856726 - **E-mail:** businesssupport@routeways.org.uk

Legal Structure: Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

Have you heard about [Charitable Incorporated Organisations \(CIO\)](#)? Maybe not; well it is a new legal form for charities, potentially boasting the following benefits:

- Establishing & running a CIO should be similar to establishing a charitable company
- The charity has a legal personality of its own, enabling it to conduct business in its own name, rather than the name of the trustees

The legal form is still to be confirmed by Parliament so changes still may occur, but in the mean time to find out more and to keep up to date, visit the Charity Commission by clicking below:

[Web Link](#)

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Volunteers Needed

To help with general garden work, and dismantling Victorian greenhouses at [The Walled Garden](#) in Maristow.

On Saturday 7th May

To find out more e-mail contact **Piers Griffin** on: p.griffin@btcv.org.uk

Everyone is welcome!



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Very useful links: Click on links

- **HR support** - NCVO offer a bank of valuable support information for Human Resource issues, click on the following link: [Web link](#)
- **Charity forecast survey** - The sector was invited to complete a survey to establish what organisations had planned for the coming months. The report provides a snapshot of charity leaders' opinions of the sector and is available free to all NCVO non-corporate members. Produced quarterly, this report will allow you to see how confidence is changing in the sector over time. Find out what leaders in the sector are planning for their organisation with regards to service delivery and staffing levels. Click on the following link for more information: [Web Link](#)

New member to the team: Alex Strachan

Alex Strachan joined Routeways on the **Future Jobs Fund**; the scheme has now come to an end & Alex was one of the final few to secure a 6 month placement. Alex has been working with all the projects at Routeways, but with his experiences & qualifications means his time will be spent providing valuable administration & business support to the Sustainable Routes & Early Years projects. Alex is hoping to gain valuable office experience to complement his qualifications & expand his overall knowledge.



Sector News: Saving the Big Society

It seems talk of the Big Society has gone quiet over recent months and the agenda has lost momentum & for some has been forgotten altogether. The following link, which was published by [NCVO](#) explains how they believe the Big Society could be rescued and have detailed a number of recommendations. See the following link for more information:

[Web link](#)

Looking for funding?

If you and your organisation would like to utilise the Funder finder **grant** search tool, then please do not hesitate to arrange a meeting with the Sustainable Routes team to review your potential funding options. (See contact details below)

About you

Your news & events; we are using this section as an opportunity to promote your organisation. Please talk to us about your organisation: What events are you running, share your success stories, tell us about your facilities and your feedback on anything relevant to the sector.



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