

Online Volunteer Coordinators' Network meeting

30 September 2021 2pm to 3.30pm

Points discussed in the meeting were:

- 1) A presentation about Disclosure Barring Service (DBS) was given by Kiran Rehal, DBS Regional Outreach Adviser (Greater London). The content covered useful tips and advice about DBS to help Volunteer Coordinators in their role including:
 - How long is a DBS valid for?
 - What level of DBS checks do you need for certain volunteering roles – if any?
 - The different levels of DBS check (Basic, Standard, Enhanced)
 - Can someone start volunteering before the DBS check is cleared?
 - Also be an opportunity for you to ask any questions about any aspect of DBS.

The guest speaker Kiran Rehal's contact details were circulated and the link to DBS PowerPoint slides shared with the attendees for more info about tips discussed about how to process DBS.

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The guest speaker also asked attendees to complete an evaluation of the workshop on [SurveyMonkey](#) to allow their team to understand whether they are delivering relevant information and also to help them to make improvements to their delivery and the contents of the presentation, if necessary, ensuring that they are meeting their expectations as an organisation and that participants have found it useful to implement within their work.

- 2) There was also a group discussion about the future of Volunteer Coordinators Network Meetings.
 - Attendees were asked about future VC network meetings and to vote on whether they prefer virtual, face to face or hybrid meetings.

All options scored the same number of votes so we have decided to arrange a hybrid VCN meeting in February 2022.

- We also agreed on holding the next recruiting and retaining volunteers session virtually, sometime in November 2021.

For list of attendees: see next page.

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