

# SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

## JULY 2020

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## SRO DIARY DATES

### JULY

**7 Cornwall Independent Poverty Forum meeting**, via Zoom, 2pm, email rosey.sanders@truro.anglican.org for details.

## NCVO ADVICE AND KNOWHOW NOW FREE

NCVO have a **useful page providing information and guidance** about coronavirus and what it means for voluntary organisations and volunteers.

They've also taken down all pay walls on their **Knowhow website**, meaning all online content is now free for all to use, which includes information about governance and online training for staff who are working from home.

## CHURCH ON THE MARGINS

Church Action on Poverty is considering what it means to be a 'church on the margins' and to seek to be attentive to and inclusive of those on the margins of society in the current crisis.

To do this, they are offering a weekly space for shared reflection with others, to think about hopes and fears, the practical and theological issues thrown up by the crisis, and what it means for church, discipleship, ministry and spirituality. Find out more **here**.

## FREE TECH AVAILABLE

WaveLength is a charity that gives radios, televisions and tablets free of charge to people who are lonely and on a low income. Find out more **here**.

## SPOTLIGHT ON .....

# YOU CAN'T EAT THE VIEW REPORT

Reflections on last year's successful End Hunger Cornwall Conference have been gathered together in the 'You can't eat the view' report.

The current crisis has resulted in even more food poverty across Cornwall. All our food banks have reported a doubling in need. Check out Transformation Cornwall's weekly update on food banks **here**.

The current situation makes this report incredibly relevant.

Lunch at the conference was supplied by **The Hive** a charity that is contributing a huge amount to Cornwall's response to the pandemic.

The Hive was recently featured on Radio Cornwall. A link to Brian's interview with Donna Birrell on Saturday, May 24 is **here**.

**End Hunger Cornwall** is now a strong voice within the food poverty and food insecurity campaign, attending conferences and events to both highlight and help others in positions similar to ours. We continue to campaign at the highest level, doing



as much as we possibly can to End Hunger in Cornwall once and for all.

To request a copy of the 'You can't eat the view' report, email Andrew Howell at endhungercornwall@gmail.com or download it from the diocesan website **here**.

## VOLUNTARY HELP IN CORNWALL DURING COVID-19

Anyone who needs help can request a volunteer by ringing Volunteer Cornwall on 01872 266988 or emailing requestforhelp@volunteercornwall.org.uk.

Community volunteers can register with Volunteer Cornwall on their website or by emailing mid@volunteercornwall.org.uk. Volunteer Cornwall will match people who ring

up needing help with the community volunteers in their local area – or, if they have more complex needs, with specialist services.

Find out more about Cornwall Voluntary Sector Forum, including joining as a Member (which is free), at [www.cornwallvsf.org](http://www.cornwallvsf.org), or email [office@cornwallvsf.org](mailto:office@cornwallvsf.org).

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# SUPPORT FOR THOSE LIVING WITH DOMESTIC ABUSE

Covid-19 will have serious impacts on the lives of those living with domestic abuse.

For some people, home is not always a safe place. Safer Cornwall is doing everything possible to ensure that specialist support continues to be available to everyone who needs it.

Cornwall's integrated domestic abuse and sexual violence service, Safer Futures, is still providing support, safety planning and information via their helpline, text service and online. Safer Futures will also direct people to any additional services that they may need and can liaise on their behalf if appropriate to do so, for example if someone feels they want to access a refuge at this time.

## CORNWALL BEREAVEMENT NETWORK

Bereavement services across Cornwall have united to create a new Cornwall Bereavement Network website and helpline.

The new [website](#) lists bereavement services across Cornwall and also provides some useful resources.

Two telephone helplines have been set up. To access practical information immediately following bereavement contact 01872 252713, 9am-4pm,

## TELEPHONE BEFRIENDING SERVICE AVAILABLE

Many people are finding it a lonely and worrying time not being able to see or meet up with friends and family. In response Volunteer Cornwall have set up a telephone befriending service for people who would like to have a friendly voice to talk to a couple of times a week. The service is provided by volunteers who might themselves be self-isolating but nonetheless want to help others.

Support is available by:

### Making a referral online

Email: [saferfutures@firstlight.org.uk](mailto:saferfutures@firstlight.org.uk)  
Tel: 0300 777 4777

There is also refuge and support via:

### Cornwall Refuge Trust website

24 hour helpline: 01872 225629

If you know anyone who is at immediate risk of harm, please call the police now on 999. If you call 999 but cannot speak, key in 55 and they will transfer you to the police, who can guide you through a silent call.

Monday to Friday. For signposting to emotional support services contact 01726 829874 – lines open 10am-6pm, 7 days a week.

For more information please contact: Becky Thomas, Penhaligon's Friends, Email: [becky@penhaligonsfriends.co.uk](mailto:becky@penhaligonsfriends.co.uk), Tel: 07977 466444

Churches Rep, Paul Beynon  
[p-beynon@sky.com](mailto:p-beynon@sky.com)

If you ask for a befriender, They'll try and match you to someone they think is suitable based on what you tell them about yourself but you are free to change or stop the befriending at any time.

To request a telephone befriender, you can email [requestforhelp@volunteercornwall.org.uk](mailto:requestforhelp@volunteercornwall.org.uk) or call 01872 266988

## UPCOMING COVID CASH COURSE DATES

As you know, Just Finance Foundation (JFF) have created the COVID Cash Course, which is designed as a 'train the trainer' course, similar to Cash Smart Credit Savvy.

Many households across the UK have been thrown into financial chaos due to the coronavirus. People are unsure of what they're entitled to, where to access support, how to begin accessing help, how to plan and cope financially during this period of uncertainty.

Designed as an information and signposting intervention, the course aims to prevent the financial challenges posed by Covid-19 from causing crisis in local communities. Find out more [here](#).

## CINNAMON CONNECT WEBINARS

Cinnamon are holding webinars every Thursday, which see Cinnamon Advisor, Nick Amis, speak with a different specialist who can offer insight, advice and resources in relation to a specific area such as supporting mental health, working with the NHS or fundraising. They're open to anyone – especially church leaders and Christian activists.

You can find recordings of [all previous webinars here](#). Future webinars coming up are:

- Engaging with Disadvantaged Young People and Supporting Families in Isolation.

## HELP FOR CARERS

Promas Caring for People and Kernow Carers Service are offering [help and support for carers](#) who are experiencing changes in their circumstances due to Covid-19.

There's also [updated guidance on GOV.UK](#) for anyone who cares, unpaid, for a friend or family member who cannot cope without their support.

# TRANSFORMATION CORNWALL: WHAT ARE WE?

Transformation Cornwall is an ecumenical charity that strengthens faith based social action in Cornwall.

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We are supported by the Diocese of Truro, the Church Urban Fund, the Cornwall Methodist District and Churches Together in Cornwall. We are part of the Church Urban Fund's Joint Venture programme with dioceses around the country.

We provide infrastructure and capacity building support to groups, churches, faith and non-faith based organisations to enable them to respond to issues of poverty, deprivation and marginalisation in their area.

Transformation Cornwall works in three main ways:

- Providing capacity building events, support and information through their 'Meet the Funders' programme.
- Working with individual groups and organisations through 1:1 surgeries to enable groups to have project specific information.
- Strengthen links between faith based and mainstream organisations.

On March 12, Transformation Cornwall delivered our well-regarded Meet the Funders event in partnership with the Diocese of Truro. Presentations from each of the speakers as well as a comprehensive resource document with an extensive list of funders are available [HERE](#).

Since the Coronavirus Crisis Transformation Cornwall has been:

- Pulling together a weekly (Friday) update with details of the Cornish Foodbanks to help customers needing foodbank support; potential (both corporate and individual) donors of food/ money; strengthen, (and lessen), the work of the many dedicated and wonderful people behind the foodbanks. The weekly (Friday) Cornish Foodbank Update is available [HERE](#).

- Developing a funding list to support Cornish foodbanks, grassroot organisations and faith based social action projects needing support. The latest list is available [HERE](#).

- Publishing a handy e-update to our mailing list with a round-up of information and projects offering support throughout this pandemic with our focus on some of the many wonderful responses within our amazing communities.

If you would like to join our mailing list please contact us. Jane Yeomans, Project Manager, Transformation Cornwall, via email at [jane@transformation-cornwall.org.uk](mailto:jane@transformation-cornwall.org.uk)

Click [HERE](#) to join Transformation Cornwall's Mailing list.

## JOB ALERT

Transformation Cornwall have a vacancy for a part time Project Worker to join their team. For more information visit <https://transformation-cornwall.org.uk/whats-new/we-are-recruiting>

## ENVIRONMENTAL NEWS

Like much of the rest of the world, our work on environmental matters has continued in recent weeks - mainly online. Many people are becoming more conversant with video conferencing and other means of virtual working than we used to be. Of course, there are good reasons for us all to want to meet again face to face but the transfer of so much activity online has been truly good news for the planet. We have just lived through the biggest quarterly reduction in carbon emissions ever recorded - if we continued along this track we could stabilise global warming at a temperature rise of 1.5C, the target set by the UN as the maximum allowable if serious consequences are to be avoided.

But this gives us an idea of the magnitude of the changes needed if we are to leave a sustainable future to our children. However, our present experiences have also given us a glimpse of the possibilities for change towards a better future that are within our grasp. There are many ways for all of us to contribute.

You might like to attend the next webinar with the Church House Westminster Eco Staff, as they plan for the 2030 net zero target. All are invited. Don't worry if you've missed any, they will be repeated. [Book here](#).

As eco-matters rise in everyone's consciousness, it will be good to encourage as many churches as possible to routinely incorporate care for creation in services. If you are a contributor (in any way) to worship in your church, whether virtual or, eventually, in church again, then you might find the 'Greening Worship' pack of materials useful for bringing environmental themes into services. A successful training morning was run in May, giving the opportunity to discuss and ask questions, and other events can be arranged on request. Contact [Luci Isaacson](#) or [Lydia Remick](#) for more details.

## KEY SUPPORT LINKS

Covid-19 Key Support Links are available on the diocesan website [here](#).

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STRENGTHENING FAITH-BASED  
SOCIAL ACTION IN CORNWALL

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## FUNDING

### GRANT LIST

Transformation Cornwall have compiled Covid 19 Grant list. It is available here: <https://togethernetnetwork.org.uk/uploads/shared/Foodbanks-and-grassroots-funding-08.05.20.pdf>

### FUNDING RESOURCES

Cornwall Council's **Coronavirus Funding Resources** web page is a roundup of coronavirus funding resources and guidance for charities and community groups.

### EMERGENCY CAPITAL

The Clothworkers' Foundation's £300,000 **Emergency Capital Programme** will provide funding for the purchase of essential capital items required to adapt or increase a UK charity's services in response to the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Priority will be given to organisations supporting vulnerable and 'at risk' groups within the foundation's nine programme areas.

To apply, applicants should complete the online eligibility quiz on the **foundation's website** (scroll down to the foot of the page to access the quiz). Eligible applicants will then be invited to complete an application form. The foundation has said a decision will be made within two weeks of receipt of each application.

There is no application deadline for this programme, but as the budget is limited and the foundation has a wide number of priorities it wishes to support, we strongly advise making an early application.

**For people in the fishing industry who are struggling visit**  
<http://sailine.org.uk/>

## NATIONAL LOTTERY COMMUNITY FUND OPEN FOR APPLICATIONS

The Government's new Coronavirus Community Support Fund opened for applications on Friday, May 22.

This new funding stream makes available £200m in government funding that is aimed primarily at small to medium organisations in England.

The fund has two key objectives:

- To increase community support to vulnerable people affected by the COVID-19 crisis, through the work of civil society organisations.
- To reduce temporary closures of essential charities and social

enterprises, ensuring services for vulnerable people impacted by COVID-19 have the financial resources to operate, and so reduce the burden on public services.

Grants will allow organisations to meet service costs, where they are experiencing increased demand and/or short-term income disruption. Grants will also allow organisations to refocus services to address more immediate beneficiary needs in light of COVID-19.

Please see our funding pages for further details and to apply <https://www.tnlcommunityfund.org.uk/>

### MORRISONS FOUNDATION COVID-19 HOMELESS FUND

The Morrisons Foundation is offering grants up to £10,000 for charities that are caring for the homeless during the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic.

Registered charities in England, Scotland and Wales that are working directly with people who are homeless can apply for the following:

- Outreach and support for rough

sleepers, including provision of essentials.

- Delivery of services in hostels and shelters, and/or
- Information and advice.

Applications may be made at any time via the online application form available on the **foundation's website**. Project's should be titled 'COVID-19 Homeless Support Fund'.

### GRANTS FOR HEALTH & WELLBEING SUPPORT

Grants for local UK charities that provide support for the homeless, and promote health and well being are available from the Albert Hunt Trust.

Areas of support under this heading have included physical and learning disability, physical and mental health, plus social challenge and deprivation.

Applications, which are considered on a regular basis, may be made at any time using the online application form on the **trust's website**.

For more information call 0330 113 7280 or email [info@alberthunttrust.org.uk](mailto:info@alberthunttrust.org.uk)

### GRANTS FOR HEALTH & WELLBEING SUPPORT

The Youth Endowment Fund's COVID-19 grant round will fund and evaluate work which supports vulnerable young people (predominantly aged 10 to 14) at risk of youth violence, and can be delivered whilst adhering to UK government social distancing and stay-at-home guidelines.

The minimum grant that organisations can apply for is £25,000. There is no maximum, however grants awarded will be proportionate to the turnover of the organisation(s) applying.

**Click here for more information.**

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