



## Welcome

A special hello to all of our 153 new members this year, and welcome back to our existing ones!

We hope you're all enjoying being part of our community. Did you know we have lots of different bulletins and networks you can sign up to, to stay up-to-date with the latest in Scotland's third sector?

See Page 6 for details!

## News

### Change at the top



In January 2018, Andrew Burns – former Edinburgh City Council Leader and local councillor – became SCVO's new Convener.

The Convener role is a voluntary position, providing leadership for – and accountability to – Scotland's third sector.

Appointed following an open process via a selection panel, Andrew takes on the role from predecessor Shulah Allan, and will work with colleagues on SCVO's Board for up to six years.



In early 2018 Anna Fowlie was appointed as SCVO's Chief Executive.

Anna was formerly at the Scottish Social Services Council (SSSC) where she was Chief Executive since 2009. During that time she led significant organisational change which saw the organisation become more responsive and engaging, driving high standards of care and public assurance.

Anna's appointment follows the retirement of predecessor Martin Sime, who left the organisation in December 2017 after more than twenty five years at the helm.



## Funding



### Funding Scotland

Funding Scotland's free funding search engine has continued to grow and develop, and now has 17,334 subscribers – up by 3,800 since the previous year. In 2017/18, over 26,000 people used the website's search function, with 55,000 page views overall. [@fundingscotland](#)



### Community Capacity & Resilience Fund

In 2017/18 the delivery of the third round of the Community Capacity and Resilience Fund - which SCVO manages on behalf of the Scottish Government - supported 23 organisations across the country to deliver new projects and activities that help mitigate the impact of welfare reform, combat inequality, promote social inclusion, and have a preventative impact in communities. We were also able to continue funding for 13 organisations to enable them to scale-up their initial pilot projects and widen their impact.



### Digital Participation Charter Fund

4,440 people have been supported to gain basic digital skills through 126 projects funded by the fourth round of the Digital Participation Charter Fund.



## Campaigns

# I ♥ CHARITY

### #ILoveCharity

In February 2018, we published a report which showed that public trust in charities had declined in the last two years. As a result, we launched the **#ILoveCharity** campaign, to inspire trust in charities by supporting good governance within organisations to ensure they are well run, open and transparent, and to encourage charities to work harder at promoting the positive impact of their work.

As part of the 12 month campaign we plan to host a nation-wide roadshow, network events, training courses and a Storytelling Conference, and work with partners to launch a Scottish Governance Code for the Third Sector.

### #EUareValued

While the third sector can do little to influence immigration policy, we believe that as employers and employees, there is much we can do to encourage our EU friends and colleagues to stay and continue to make Scotland their home, despite Brexit. It is crucial that we show solidarity with our European colleagues, make it absolutely clear that they are still very much welcome in Scotland, and support them to continue doing the great work they do in our communities.

Over 100 organisations and individuals signed up to our campaign online, and we created a web page **#EUareValued** to help third sector employers and employees understand the background and the changes affecting our EU colleagues, and direct them to useful resources.

# Digital



## Good HQ

Volunteering opportunities were added to the Good HQ website to enable members of the public to find ways to donate their time in their local area.

## Digital Participation Charter

500 organisations signed up and committed to developing skills of their staff and customers through the Digital Participation Charter.

 @digiscot

## Cyber Resilience

Our digital team are working with the Scottish Government to develop and consult on an Action Plan to build cyber resilience in the third sector.

## Senior Leaders Programme

22 senior leaders from the third sector were supported to take part in a six month action learning process.

# Employability

## Goodmoves

In 2017/18 our Goodmoves recruitment website passed 10 million site visits since its creation. It advertised a record 4,216 jobs for 1,140 organisations, and had over 19,500 subscribers, 5,000 Twitter followers and generated 52,000 unique users per month.

 @goodmovesjobs

## Community Jobs Scotland

Community Jobs Scotland (CJS) is an employability programme run by SCVO which supports unemployed and vulnerable young people into paid employment within Scotland's third sector. In December 2017 the team celebrated their 8,000th employee, and they also achieved their goal of getting 715 young people into third sector employment in the seventh round of the programme.

Visit our YouTube channel to see our CJS employers and employees share their experiences:

 [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AW7zBcg7Dwo&list=PLD\\_XS4xNFQV6jnl\\_8RjMdHakgfPV1Q1x\\_](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AW7zBcg7Dwo&list=PLD_XS4xNFQV6jnl_8RjMdHakgfPV1Q1x_)

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# The Gathering 2018



At The Gathering 2018 – our annual two-day event at Glasgow’s SEC for all things third sector – we hosted 62 events, 108 exhibitors and welcomed over 2,800 visitors.

Opened by First Minister Nicola Sturgeon, the event also hosted Cabinet Secretary for Communities, Social Security and Equalities Angela Constance, and Minister for Employability and Training Jamie Hepburn MSP. Highlights included the launch of our #ILoveCharity campaign (see Page 6), panel discussions, digital events and live Third Force News interviews.

The Gathering website received over 50,000 views and the event hashtag - #scvogathering – went viral across the UK. Media coverage of the event reached 1.5m people all over Scotland.

## Services

In 2017/18 460 organisations used our payroll service, which also supported 13 organisations through a managed pension exercise.

A property management review was undertaken, investments made and a new team structure created so we can make the best use of our shared office space in Edinburgh, Glasgow and Inverness. Our Edward House property in Glasgow became almost fully occupied during the year, providing affordable quality office space to the sector.

# Scottish Charity Awards



We received hundreds of applications for the SCVO Scottish Charity Awards 2017, with over 11,000 members of the public voting for the 'People's Choice Award.' Over 400 people attended the awards ceremony, and media coverage reached an audience of more than 1.5million.

The Winners:

Charity of the Year <b>Street Soccer Scotland</b>	Charity Champion <b>Laura Young</b>	People's Choice <b>Gordon's Fightback</b>
Cracking Campaign <b>#IncludED in the Main?!</b>	Pioneering Project <b>C-change Scotland, Dates-n-Mates</b>	Demonstrating Digital <b>Drake Music Scotland</b>
Celebrating Communities <b>Dunaverty Hall Committee</b>	Leading Light <b>Celine Sinclair</b>	Terrific Trustee <b>James Campbell, Bobath Scotland</b>



## Policy

SCVO's policywork spans 53 'areas of action', including Brexit, social security, affordable internet, health and social care, open government and the Sustainable Development Goals.

Our Policy Team now engage with 250 policy colleagues across the sector through an online network, which enables real-time transparent communication on relevant topics.

The team have also helped build Scotland's Sustainable Development Goals Network which has shaped the National Performance Framework.

# Information Service

There has been a consistent number of visits to our Information Service web pages, with 166,345 visits in 2017/18 – accounting for over a quarter of all SCVO website views for the year – and 1,195 enquiries.

Our Information Team is working with Scotland's Third Sector Governance Forum to help create a Scottish Governance Code for the Third Sector, and is part of the working group that will deliver this from November 2018.

The team also spearheaded a General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) awareness and information campaign, delivered in partnership with the Information Commissioners Office (ICO), involving information sessions and a sector conference with online resources.



## Contact us

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### SCVO's networks include:

- **Intermediaries Network**
- **Policy Officers Network**
- **Knowledge Hub groups**
- **Third Sector Forum**
- **Comms Network**

### Our bulletins include:

- **SCVO Members Bulletin**
- **SCVO European Network**
- **Digital**
- **Community Jobs Scotland**
- **Funding Scotland**
- **Europe and the third sector**
- **Training**
- **Trustee News**