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Empowerment Newsletter

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Welcome to the second edition of the monthly Empowerment e-bulletin for the East Midlands Empowerment Network, which will aim to keep you up-to-date on relevant empowerment news and events.

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If you have any events, news articles, announcements etc that you would like to contribute to the July Empowerment e-bulletin, please email them to clairechapman@one-em.org.uk by Friday 22 July 2011.

Empowerment Network

News

Data cleanse of Empowerment Directory – Reminder

As mentioned in last month's issue, One East Midlands is carrying out a data cleanse of the Empowerment Directory on the East Midlands Empowerment Partnership website.

As part of this, if you haven't already done so, please take a moment to visit the directory at http://www.emep.org.uk/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=11&Itemid=11 and email

information@one-em.org.uk to confirm if you want One East Midlands to continue to hold your details on the online database and whether your details are correct or need changing, including the alterations.

If we have not heard back from you by Friday 29th July, we will presume that you no longer want to be listed on the directory and we will remove you. We will send you a final reminder about this nearer the time.

One East Midlands produces councillor list for region

One East Midlands has produced an up-to-date list of all councillors, including their contact details, at city, county, district and borough councils in the East Midlands, following the May 2011 elections.

The spreadsheet, which updates the list previous available through the East Midlands Empowerment website, is broken down by A-Z of councillors by council, A-Z of councillors by name and as individual worksheets for each council. The entire spreadsheet will be updated on an annual basis.

Depending on what councils provided, in some cases there are only initials instead of full first names, no job titles or missing telephone or email addresses for some councillors, but in the majority of cases there is at least two ways of contacting each councillor, including the postal address for the council itself.

To request a copy of the full list of councillors email clairechapman@one-em.org.uk.

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Other News

Government publishes guide on Community Right to Buy

Housing Minister Grant Shapps has called on communities to start laying the foundations for the future developments they would like to see in their area, as a new guide is published offering information to people considering taking forward a community-led scheme.

Mr Shapps said that communities across the country should start looking at the opportunities that the new Community Right to Build proposals, currently before Parliament, could offer them. Urban areas should look to making use of the new powers, which were previously restricted to rural areas only, so that all communities benefit from the new homes, shops and facilities they really want.

The new Community Right to Build will shift power from Government and

councils to neighbourhoods and allow people to deliver the homes and development that they really want.

Under the proposals, which are contained in the Localism Bill, community organisations will be able to approve new local developments without the need to go through the normal planning application process, as long as the proposals meet certain criteria and there is community backing in a local referendum. Projects with the support of more than 50 per cent of those that vote in a referendum will get the go-ahead. This will give communities the power to decide how to meet the local priorities in their area.

To download the new guide visit

www.communities.gov.uk/documents/communities/pdf/1914163.pdf

Nominate torchbearers for London 2012 Olympics

The London 2012 Olympics are looking for nominations for 8,000 people from the UK to carry the Olympic Flame. Nominees should have personal stories that will inspire the people watching the Olympic Torch Relay, locally, nationally and around the world.

To nominate a torchbearer:

- Read the terms and conditions at [/www.london2012.com/games/olympic-torch-relay/torchbearer-nominator-terms](http://www.london2012.com/games/olympic-torch-relay/torchbearer-nominator-terms)
- Choose who you want to nominate
- Tell them you are nominating them and obtain their contact details
- Prepare around 150 words explaining why you are nominating the person
- Complete the online nomination form at <https://torchbearernominations.london2012.com/Nomination/Create>

The deadline for nominations is 29 June. After that a shortlist of potential Torchbearers will be created through a ballot process and their stories will be put forward to one of 12 judging panels around the UK. The stories will remain anonymous as the judges decide which stories they think have the power to inspire the world. Nominees will be informed whether or not they have been chosen in December.

To nominate yourself download and complete the self-nomination form at www.london2012.com/games/olympic-torch-relay/carrying-the-olympic-flame/self-nomination-form.pdf and return it to Self Nomination, London 2012 Olympic Torch Relay, LOCOG, One Churchill Place, London E14 5LN. The deadline for self-nomination is postmarks no later than 27 June.

Birthday Honours List 2011

We would like to take the opportunity to congratulate those individuals in the

East Midlands who were recognised in the 2011 Birthday Honours List for their voluntary and community work, including:

Knights Bachelor – Knighthood:

- John Wilfred Peace, Nottinghamshire – For services to business and the voluntary sector.

Order of the British Empire – Members of the Order of the British Empire (MBE):

- Noel Bedder, Leicestershire – For services to the community
- Janet Birkin, Derbyshire – For services to the police and the community
- Keith Boot, Derbyshire – For voluntary service to disabled people
- Air Commodore Peter Glover, Rutland – For services to the voluntary sector
- Dr John Ruff, Northamptonshire – For services to the community
- Paula Hammond, Nottinghamshire – For services to the community
- Jean Hardy, Nottinghamshire – For voluntary service to further education
- Patricia Hatton, Nottinghamshire – For services to the community
- Cllr. Heather Henshaw, Nottinghamshire – For services to the NSPCC and the community
- Betty Morely, Nottinghamshire – For voluntary service to physical activity
- Kathy Morrison, Leicestershire - For services to interfaith relations
- Sarah Outen, Rutland – For services to rowing, conservation and to charity
- Ann Sankey, Leicestershire – For voluntary service to the Church Lads' and Church Girls' Brigade
- Saroj Seth, Leicestershire - For services to community cohesion
- Dr Marcus Solanki, Leicestershire – For services to the community
- Joseph Thomas, Leicestershire – For services to the community
- Alison Winks, Nottinghamshire – For voluntary service to the British Malignant Hyperthermia Association

To download a full list of those recognised in the 2011 Birthday Honours List visit www.direct.gov.uk

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Events

01 July 2011 - Power Up - 2 day residential in London

Power Up is a weekend of workshops and networking to empower people to make a difference. Power Up starts from 6pm on Friday 1 July, through to 4pm on Sunday 3 July.

For more information click [here](#)

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