



# Derbyshire ERDF Workshop

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### **One East Midlands**

# House keeping / Ground Rules

- Toilets
- Fire Bell/ Fire Exits and Assembly point
- Tea/Coffee breaks
- Phones off or on silent
- Opportunity to note any individual issues/concerns/support requests on post-it notes



***Building up the awareness,  
capabilities, and capacity of the  
VCS to engage with, and access  
ERDF***



# About One East Midlands

One East Midlands is the regional body for the Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) in the East Midlands region.

Our role is to ensure that all elements of the VCS play a valued role in the development of policies and strategies that impact on the individuals and communities in our region

We have four core strategic functions that enable us to deliver our mission:

- Influencing
- Enabling
- Communicating
- Strengthening



# Reach & Impact

## Focus

- Increase awareness of.....
- Increase access to.....

## ERDF

- increase partnerships/collaboration with....

**Third sector/universities/public sector**



# Reach & Impact

## Focus

### How?

- Introductory Sessions
- Local Training (Funding Advisers/Others)
- Case Studies/Marketing
- Events/Annual Information Event
- Improve PA2 Impact and Learning
- Align Match Funding



# POTENTIAL Information events/sources

- The One EM Reach and Impact ERDF YouTube channel, website, ERDF Mailing list
- Breakfast seminars
- Lunch time seminars
- Evening seminars
- Innovative workshops





## Agenda

9 - 9.30am	Registration and Coffee
9.30am	Welcome and Introductions
9.40am	Brief overview of the ERDF programme (requirements, criteria, capital/revenue projects, application process, assessment process)
10.20am	Scope and potential for the VCS to access this programme of funding (PA2 area/activities)
10.35am-10.50	Coffee/Tea break
10.50am	Preparing to access ERDF (collecting/accessing data to demonstrate need/case for project, creating economic outcomes and delivering economic outputs, match funding, cash-flow, project management, monitoring and evaluation, issues/challenges that may crop up)
11.30am	Successful local ERDF projects
11.45 - 11.55	Comfort break
11.55am	Challenge Fund details
12.10pm	What projects in Derby city, Bolsover and Chesterfield could be developed where there is a need/intervention for economic development and growth? (brain storming exercise)
12.40pm	What is required to take forward potential project ideas?
12.50pm	Next steps - who is leading on following up from discussion and committed to taking project ideas forward. What support and advice is required?
1pm	Lunch and Finish





# Andy Luff

## Structural Funds Expert Adviser



## WISE Project – Leicester City

- Led by CASE (the Cooperative and Social Enterprise Development Agency) and delivered in partnership with the University of Leicester and Voluntary Action Leicestershire.
- The WISE project was set up to support new and existing social enterprises and voluntary and community groups in Leicester. The project also co-ordinates a graduate/student placement scheme in social enterprises.
- The project, funded by an ERDF grant of £389,000 and match funded by the three partners own income, started 1 July 2011 and will run until 30 June 2015.

Further information on WISE can be found on the partners websites as follows:  
CASE [www.case-da.co.uk](http://www.case-da.co.uk) University of Leicester [www.le.ac.uk](http://www.le.ac.uk) Voluntary Action Leicestershire [www.valonline.org.uk](http://www.valonline.org.uk)



# b-inspired: Enterprise as a Life

- In July 2009, b-inspired received funding for its business support project Enterprise as a Life
- The project supported individuals from deprived communities in Leicester through workshops, group events, one-to-one coaching and mentoring to set up their own business and also provided support to existing small businesses and micro enterprises
- The total project value was £689,000. ERDF intervention rate 62.7% and match funded 22% from the Working Neighbourhoods Fund (WNF) and 16% was self-funded.

Project delivery period July 2009 – March 2013



# East Midlands Challenge Fund

- DCLG (Department for Communities & Local Government) East Midlands team managing process
- Challenge fund will fund activities under PA1 and PA2
- 90% of the Challenge Fund is ring fenced for larger projects £5million plus and 10 % of the fund is for smaller projects £500 000 plus
- Priority will be given to projects that meet the thresholds. Contact the ERDF team if project doesn't quite meet thresholds
- Pages 8-11 of the prospectus for delivery strands and project deliverables
- Note ESF type activities are not eligible for ERDF
- Page 12 for core selection criteria
- Page 16-18 for outputs/results/impact that is eligible for ERDF funding
- Key dates and full timetable pages 19 and 21
- Outline proposals need to be discussed with project team at DCLG
- [www.gov.uk/applying-for-erdf-funding#applying-in-the-east-midlands](http://www.gov.uk/applying-for-erdf-funding#applying-in-the-east-midlands)



# East Midlands Challenge Fund

## Key Dates

- **Deadline for Outline application for larger projects (£2million plus) is noon Friday 22 March 2013**
- **Deadline for Outline application for smaller projects (below £2million, minimum threshold £500 000) is noon Friday 12 April**
- **Deadline for Full application for larger projects (£2million plus) is noon Friday 14 June 2013**
- **Deadline for Full application for smaller projects (below £2million, minimum threshold £500 000) is noon Friday 28 June 2013**



## Next Steps

- Slides and information from today's event will be on the One East Midlands website
- Accessing supporting documents, and further information specific to the Challenge fund application – DCLG ERDF team
- General advice/support/facilitation of consortium development – Reach & Impact project, local CVS, [www.fanoogle.org.uk](http://www.fanoogle.org.uk)
- Please complete your evaluation forms



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