



26 February 2024

Dear MDCVS Member,

In late 2023 Essex County Council announced their new strategic approach to the provision of voluntary and community sector infrastructure support. This service has historically been delivered at local level by CVS organisations, including here within the Maldon District by Maldon and District CVS. This strategic move by Essex County Council will mean a changed offer for the voluntary sector across Essex including a universal centralised offer for a range of services such as funding and governance advice.

Full details of this new service delivery are yet to be announced however in the interests of avoiding duplication and developing our own organisations sustainability Maldon and District CVS are undertaking to review our own membership offer and services. The loss of this core funding does introduce some uncertainty into the future viability of Maldon and District CVS that needs to be carefully considered by the MDCVS board of trustees.

This review will include the introduction of a new paid for membership offer that will enable access to exclusive member events and a range of services at a discounted rate. We are keen to hear from our members as part of the design of this service and planned a series of online discussions in the week of 11th March 2024. If you would like to attend one of these sessions please contact my colleague Catherine on catherine@maldoncv.org.uk for details.

I will continue to keep members up to date with changes both to the MDCVS service offer and the wider infrastructure offer to the sector as details are known and information will be included in our E-bulletins and website/social media. However if you do have any questions or want to discuss the changes please feel free to get in touch

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Stroop'.

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