

What did you find most interesting?	What did you find least interesting?	Do you have any suggestions for future conferences/events?	What do you think Salford CVS could do to improve its services to better serve the people of Salford?	What difference do you feel Salford CVS makes to Salford?	Any other comments on today's event?
The talk on Mental Health and Poverty.		More networking and information from other Salford organisations/charities.		Promotes volunteering and provides training for organisations i.e volunteering and the law training.	
Good range of speakers/workshops again.		Would have liked to attend more than one workshop.	Not much at the moment - you're on fire.	Huge difference - fantastic, dynamic, informed resource for VCSE sector. Very strategic in its approach and great facilitators!	
Interesting history to VCSE sector and clear common ground with public sector. - Value of sector in Salford - Good presentations from Duncan Shrubsole and Paul Dennett.	Feedback sessions - people don't hear they ask for 1 or 2 points. Maybe better to ask for only 1 top point and only if not already covered.	Co-production. Greater Manchester Devolution and VCSE sector.	Ask to be part of My City Salford transformation programme to ensure that VCSE sector provision is integral, and that My City Salford meets the needs of the sector as articulated today - a hub for info/services, where to go, how to refer.	Provides a VCSE sector hub/single place of contact and a voice and influence for sector.	
Information given.		Overall the conference was excellent. Would welcome a networking session for next year.		Provides good quality services and information to the voluntary sector.	Excellent event.
Networking learning about what we are doing in Salford.	The issues in the housing workshop were extremely important and should be driven forward. Although I thought we could have had more information how we could create local solutions.	How to create local housing.	I think they are doing an excellent job.	It is essential.	
Information from Lloyds bank.	Little too much talking at start of event.	Bit more interaction at the start of the conference.		Provides space and platform to raise role of VCSE sector in Salford with public and private sector.	Thank you for providing this annual opportunity to bring VCSE sector together.

PM	Hoola Hoops! :)	Food collection from deligator (from specified list) guest from 'different'. Greater Manchester area for contrasting perspective marketing session? SRFT & CCG presentations?			Great job, a fantastic showcase.
The range of services and strategic direction driven by Salford CVS	Why volunteer sector still matters in 2017, a bit dry.	Maybe give greater opportunities for talking together and working on problems/solutions. Learn from each other	Not sure. You seem very proactive and strategic and a leader.	Cohesion between voluntary sector organisations. Representation voice/influencing. Supporting resilience of the sector so residents can be helped - grants/contracts.	Re:Furniture Poverty , most attendees didn't attend through choice, which suggests that Furniture Poverty is a misunderstood concept & reality; the financial & social problems associated with Furniture Poverty are unclear and more work has to be done.
Range of services presented and learning about these. Also, information without VCSE strategic direction, plans, research; etc. Volunteering strategy too.	Table top discussions.	See the need for table top discussions - can these be more dynamic.	Accessible directory of services. Opportunities in Salford for agencies new to the city.	Represents voice of the VCSE sector. Co-ordinate activity of the sector. Provides advice on information for the sector.	Good event, profiling current issues and potential solutions in the city. Excellent representation from VCSE and statutory services.
Table top exercises.	All areas were very interesting.	A larger mix of interactive/engaging activities, although the speakers were informative, the smaller table top exercises were better for me.		Salford CVS has created a support network for both the residents and sector partners together.	A very full informative agenda.
Mental Health and Poverty workshop. Table top discussion around generating more youth volunteering.	All interesting and relevant.		More working/focus groups around particular topics - i.e. social isolation/wellbeing.	Salford CVS makes a huge difference in the community in Salford. It has opened up an excellent working network for me.	
Duncan Shrubsoles speech. Workshops. Listening to peoples views and experiences.	None if it - I really enjoyed it.				
Tackling poverty by Salford City Mayor was very good. CVS Manifesto excellent.	All was okay, fine, very good.	No thanks.	More access to city mission.	More awareness of services and help available in Salford.	Very good. Good job.
Workshop and table top exercises.				Brilliant!	
The initial address by Chief Exec.	Salford Volunteering strategy.		Publicise itself more.	Necessary for co-ordination.	
Financial literacy feedback and Mayors speech.	Lloyds Bank - too long.	Networking element.	Keep focusing on improvement.	Huge, commitment to caring for its people.	Brilliant day.

Meeting the other organisations	Lloyds Bank - too long.	More chance to network. Introduce each others organisations. Get to know about the services in the community.		Brings together the community.	
Networking well represented across the sector.	Workshop was interesting but very young people focused (Mental Health and Poverty)		Just starting to work in Salford so look forward to working with CVS more closely.		
Six pillars Salford and VCSE Manifesto.	Key findings report.	Time keeping of presentations.	Linked directory (e.g. alcohol info, elderly people info) for all organisations.	Excellent resource for all organisations committed to making a difference in Salford.	
Workshops.	It was all interesting but group feedback is always dull - I'd much rather receive some info by email after the event. No one ever gives one key point, it is painful.	No group feedback! Less speakers. More workshops and producing action plans or something concrete rather than just debating the issues.			Stricter with people staying to time on their presentations.
The initiatives that are happening in Salford. Finding out about the Anti-Poverty Strategy.	Not enough room time for networking and practical action.	More networking.	Bigger wider advertising. A large social media presence.	A huge difference.	
Tackling poverty - furniture workshop.	Involving youth - only because our organisation do not deal with under 25's.	More networking time/pop up tables to promote each organisation. Time management - cut down break times.	More publicity. More cross networking between organisations.	One stop shop.	Catering structure not able to cope with volumes. More stations = less queues = less frustration = more time to network.
Meeting new people and getting an overview of CVS in Salford.	Too much on strategy - restrict to one session in morning and focus rest of time on what is happening on the ground and what needs to happen: 1. Next twelve months 2. Next 3 years 3. Next 5 years - i.e action plan				
Some of the facts and figures regarding poverty (Salford) and Mental Health.				One point for Salford citizens to contact, regarding volunteers and training courses.	

All of it.		Thank you! It would be an idea if you could organise a showcase event for different groups and organisations to highlight their successes and projects and also a way for people to network and make links with prospective partners for future work.	CVS provide an excellent service We are grateful for all the support since I first approached them in 2008 to set up the Health Action Team (Salford Foyer) and over the years, including helping me set up my own CIC last year!	Immense All our work with the young people connected with Salford Foyer and out HATeam couldn't have been possible without CVS's support, encouragement, advice and guidance.	Excellent! Looking forward to the next one - already. Thank you so much for all your support.
Six pillars - table discussions.	VCSE strategy - too much time being spoken.	Break day into four - Long speeches 1st, theme of where we are as a sector 2nd, theme key note speech (Afternoon) Workshop 4th.			
Various discussions in report of homeless education.	Facts and figures		Listings of organisations with contact details available on website.	Bring a consortium of organisations together to provide a service to support the people of Salford.	
Further thinking on how our organisation can fit into the wider Salford offer to the people of Salford.		More practical sessions.	I don't know, we find the service extremely useful to us.	Bringing organisations together.	Thank you.
Duncan Shrubsole presentation. City Mayor presentation.	Table top exercises 'The six pillars' Not enough time.	Anti-Poverty one year on.	Not sure I can suggest anything more to do.	Brings the important topics to the VCSE sector.	Good event today.
The different views of voluntary partners in Salford and the difficulties we all face.			Not much as you guys are amazing.	Brings partners together.	
Financial literacy workshop. Group work (Break outs)		Sufficient amount of breaks. Please provide more drink options.	Promote smaller charities and the work they do as many organisations aren't aware of what is out there. If charities/organisations were aware of each other there would be more opportunity for collaborations and knowledge being passed on.	A lot. Tackling issues that many people/families face in Salford e.g. poverty. Also promoting volunteering and bringing organisations together to learn about what is out there to support each other and reach a common goal - to help the people of Salford.	Enjoyed the networking aspect. A lot of the organisations had similar issues/boundaries so it was enlightening to understand that our organisations are all in the same boat. It also made you aware of what charities and organisations are out there, some that we would otherwise might never of heard of.
Financial literacy exercise. Strong speeches/talks - VCSE Sector report = Excellent.	N/A	More work shopping?!	Keep going!	Excellent guidance and support; offers a networking gateway that is essential.	Great event, great key note speakers.

Duncan's talk and learning more about larger strategies and initiatives.	Mental Health talk - people spoke with passion but felt like an echo chamber, no activities to challenge thinking.	More activities and interaction.	Co-ordinating and mapping all the Salford based organisations, database of info etc.		Great event and material provided. Comms artist was amazing - something a little different. Location & structure to the day was professional and smooth.
Speakers and workshops.	All content useful.	Bigger coffee cups and filter coffee.			
Presentations - sharing info and knowledge.		More time for groups to come together and work on ideas raised i.e - collaboration.	The number one element I would take away is that there seems to be a lack of knowledge around who is doing what in Salford. Not sure if the CVS could help to facilitate something in the way of bridging this knowledge gap not just a database referral.	Seems to be well thought of locally.	Never been so well fed and watered at an event - hope you received a discount/sponsorship for this event.
Range of services and opportunities. Common themes - recurring throughout day - communication. Finding resources and good networking.			Promotion/Marketing - Central point of information. Specialist interest pages on central site: - Mental Health - Younger people - Volunteering - Ethnic groups - Older people	Huge difference and a very valuable contribution. We all increasingly rely on volunteers - we need to invest, value and celebrate them.	
Duncan & Paul's section.	There was too much time sitting down and listening therefore had to stay focused.	There was a theme of young people which meant agencies who don't work with children were slightly disadvantaged.		A very active inclusive CVS. Thank you.	
Workshop on food poverty.					
Volunteering and the poverty strategies. Table work with others - to find out more about them and their views. Might not have been appropriate for others, but 'about CVS' - Resource pack!	My workshop unfortunately, it wasn't of use.	Perhaps hear from service users? Give non-VCSE attendees support/advice on how we can help. I have ideas to go away with now and will be keeping an eye on your work.	Looking forward to seeing the Salford app! (This was going to be an improvement, but you're already developing)	Crucial role uniting and enabling all the people in the room to support our residents of our great city.	Thank you.

<p>I found the first part of the day most interesting which focuses on Salford CVS and the voluntary sector environment in Salford and what can be done to improve the sector.</p>	<p>The workshop I was allocated was not really relevant.</p>	<p>Networking events for voluntary sector organisations.</p>	<p>I think it already does a lot but maybe it could take the lead in developing a portal to map and promote the different voluntary sector organisations in Salford. - Create a list of organisations by sector/service type. -Help promote volunteering qualifications, to engage more people.</p>	<p>Salford CVS appears to be one of the best CVS organisations in Greter Manchester which is reflected from it's website, services offered; etc. I think it makes a big difference to the community - the main hub that the community voluntary sector organisations feed into.</p>	<p>I think it was interesting but could probably be a bit shorter.</p>
		<p>1.Make sure the audience is not looking into the light - dim electric lights over the screen. 2. Ask people to stand when they speak. 3. The education sector (apart from the two young reps) was concipious by its absence. So much voluntary work can start in school. I know - i've done it (Also tax forms, budgeting; etc was part of the maths curriculum - but that was then!!) 4. There was no mention of work with elderely/infant/disabled.</p>	<p>Have a survey of organisations - any overlaps? Any place for economies of scale - both for money/funding and personel efficiency? Some attention to raising awarness in the city - are people slipping through the net because they are not aware.</p>	<p>You are there for us - so important - keep on with the work you do. Salford would be much worse off without you.</p>	<p>A good "coming together" exchange of info/views/ideas. The important thing is - what follows? Outcomes? Lloyds speaker poor slides - unable to read them - too much on - colours too dim.</p>
<p>The workshops - a chance to talk to others and discuss important.</p>	<p>Some of the main speeches/presentations went on for too long and didn't tell us anything new. It would be better to have less 'being talked at' and more 'talking among'.</p>	<p>Why not do two smaller conferences 6 months apart - where the first considers the issues around a theme (a different theme each year) and the second brings people together to consider solutions.</p>			
<p>All thank you.</p>				<p>It's a great conduit for all organisations throughout the city.</p>	<p>Another great day, well organised and delivered.</p>

I enjoyed the common context/ theme of poverty of which all the presentations/workshops could relate.	The length of the State of the Sector report - but this was very important. I felt I understood more of this and there no real surprises - hence why I found least interesting.	Share 'common' theme that the sector can 'get behind' e.g. activity (promote/benefits/banners) Age friendly - a citizen and not just about older people an this touches on economy/environment as well as the usual health and wellbeing agenda.	Support the sectors involvement in actually bringing My City Salford into being and to be really useful and important for the sector to reach the people of Salford, volunteers and to be visible to each other.	Clear, active, accessible and visible organisation to all such well positioned to organise, structure and gateway to the sector.	The venue is great but lots of tables, can't see the main screen.
State of Sector. Volunteering strategy. VCSE Strategy. Six pillars conversation. CVS History Project document. Presentation from the Gaddam Centre.			Fantastic that brokering of funding from CCG etc can more be done to bring further investment to the pot. Is there a way to support operational funding of existing successful projects that already have proven outcomes?	Props up the sector, facilitates collaboration, connects the sector to delivery of city strategic priorities. Trainingsennions and support. Brokerage of volunteers.	Very well organised. Thanks to all staff.
Discussions.			More of it now.	The glue that holds people together.	Very impressed.
Really interesting to hear about the origins of the Gaddum Centre and Salford CVS. Excellent presentations from the City Mayor and Duncan Shrubsole. Statistics alarming but essential in getting the message across.	Everything was of interest.	It would be good to perhaps have a presentation from one of the CVS members about their work - this can be inspirational but also it could help other partners in terms of problem solving/solutions.	I am very happy with Salford CVS. Their informaion sharing is excellent and they provide the members with a range of opportunities such as training, funding/partnership funding and lobbying to Salford City Council.	It gives the VCSE sector a voice and the support we need to help us to continue to work in Salford to benefit its communities.	Very good as always. But still feel there is an opportunity to have a small section devoted to either collectively what organisations are achieving or a case study of organisations.
We were updated with different type of information and also it was great opprtunity to meet other groups active in Salford area.	The workshop wasn't what I was expecting.			It does really a great impact to the people of Salford by supporting and providing with the volunteer section.	I really appreciate and thank the great job CVS is doing.
The information of the Volunteering Strategy and the idea of a steering group, so different sectors could contribute. Also the Lloyds segment was really informative.	Althought important (State of the Sector) perhaps we could have selected different elements to look at such as partnership working.	1.Private and public sector community responsibility. 2.Business sponsorship. 3.ICO/Commissioning/GM Commissioning.	Well done pm great work in supporting and championing the sector, many thanks.	1.Provides advice and guidance on a range of issues and governance. 2. Very valuable funding streams. 3. VOCAL to keep up to date/have a voice/influence policy.	Good to have thinking time and networking time.
Information on current issues/strategies and networking with other organisations.				Positive impact in partnership working and promoting the value of the voluntary sector.	Good venue and well organised as usual by CVS.

Networking, getting an insight into how many incredible things are happening in Salford (as a newbie!) 46,800 volunteers- amazing!!		Really well run event, more of the same especially loved the graphic recording.			Really informative, uplifting day thank you so much. Really great to be involved in such a passionate city!
Understanding contact: - I found the history and small charities element really helpful. -also furniture re-use.	Nothing - all good.	Self reliance (SRGS) People power at the smallest of groups. Young the life - blood of all of our future.	I'm a fan, so can't think of anything. You've trained me, coached me to work in my group. Supported groups to do good things and bring us all together.	People - Passion - Practice that is all.	Amazing venue. I got a lift today, it is a little bit far out.
Finding out more about the work CVS and other organisations do in Salford. The talk on tackling poverty in Salford and the strategy in place. Workshop - Feeding Salford - finding out about foodbank provision in Salford; the challenges of the future.			A directory of services made available to residents of Salford paper/online - A central point of access. - Services which provide any voluntary services for people in the community to access should they need to and equally how residents can apply for any voluntary work in their area.		
Variety of talks and opportunity to network.	Feedback from floor.	A list of all delegates, emails, what they do and criteria for support (brief) and how to get most support to the people that would most benefit. I really feel that was a missed opportunity of today.	Service directory for residents. Service directory for professionals with links to referral process, criteria for support; etc.	A lot more than I thought they did.	Well run. Coffee queue could have been managed better (e.g. 3 queues not 1)
Mayor's presentation and approach.					Really enjoyed the day.
All of it.		No - was a great conference.	More of it now.	It makes a huge difference to peoples lives, giving people endless opportunities. Help for the future.	Was a great event, so glad I attended.
My city app coming soon for professionals and community. 10% youth generation focus. Action getting into place.		More activity.	My City Salford. More open marketing and language to raise more awareness and opportunities.	Awareness and opportunities and actioning gaps/areas.	

The discussions. Learning more about the Gaddum Centre. The film.			More targeting communication eg. Forums for everyone involved in say recycling or furniture restoration or framing or community centre, so that we can learn about good practice in that particular forum - or indeed any pitfalls.	Its an excellent support for volunteers or voluntary groups..	Brilliant event.
Housing market failure workshop.	Volunteering strategy.	Keep with a key focus, such as poverty.	Facilitate better understanding of and engagement with, private sector - corporates and local businesses.	Good on VCSE support, but also wider agendas.	Good to explore some new issues. Need more young people involved! Salford does well - much better than many other localities.
Is informing. I was able to interact with other local charities on their engagement.	None. I like how it was organised.	None	To publish more of their activities. Encourage networking and support among charities.	They make a real difference in networking among the charities and engaging charities in our community.	It was good in all endeavours.
Information about VCSE services in Salford & Greater Manchester. Especially the workshop (financial poverty organisations such as CAB or Salford Union)		Introduction - very brief of the organisations which attended the conference. More emphasis on intergroup networking.	Support organisations to work better with each other. - Financial literacy workshop.	Helping organisations (VCSE) in terms of co-ordinating or streamlining services which are essential to the needs of Salford community.	None
All the talks were very useful.	The workshop was not helpful to my current situation.	More networking opportunities. Need an opportunity for funding opportunities/partnership opportunities.	Create a page/event/group to match social needs with partners/suppliers.		
What is going on in sector at the moment. Duncan's session.		More time for networking Social enterprise specific information			
The Mayor Talking to other conference delegates			Help charities to provide more information (about what they can provide) to both the public and other voluntary organisations (I know you already do this to some extent, but people do not seem to know about it)	The help it provides to charities helps local charities serve people in Salford better.	
Best organisation Good area and well cleaner Different subject			Excellent support and communication More training	Finance within education and local community	Many thanks for all staff and volunteers

All			Improved communication Joined up working Accessible information for all funding	It supports and encourages local charities and organisations to establish and provide services relevant to the needs of Salford people	Real difficulty focusing on speakers and presentations with tables being window facing
Lloyds TSB and Paul Dennett	Mental health and poverty group - we didn't discuss link with mental health and poverty	No it was excellent	Be engaged more in local communities with very small groups. More links with faith groups.		
All good in particular history of Salford VCSE		Shorter day, a lot of information to take in	Develop youth volunteering opportunities and policies around working with young volunteers to remove barriers and increase uptake and inclusion	In everything, advocacy, voice, volunteering, representation, partnership, support	Well organised, interesting and engaging speakers. Staff friendly and great!
All of it.				I think Salford CVS is a shining example of VCSE infrastructure organisation effectively supporting the whole spectrum of the sector	Really enjoyed it, well organised, learnt a lot and gave me plenty to think about
Lloyds Bank Foundation talk				Massive support to voluntary organisations	Excellent event
The history of the voluntary sector (Gaddum Centre) and its parallels to today's issues/people. The afternoons speakers trying to show a way forward through the thickening mire of austerity, but struggling with austerity.					
Six pillars - good opportunity to hear a diversity of voices and inform strategy - more chances to participate and contribute would be good. Lloyds Bank Foundation - good links to research and linking well with both VCS and poverty strategy. VCSE strategy - more on co-production!	Voluntary sector matters - inaccuracies in history and lack of clarity on whether VCS should be paternalist gatekeepers or supporters of agency in communities. State of sector - a challenge to the assertion that involving academics magically gives research credibility. Stick up for your sector and respect community-based research practice!	Wider range of voices represented in conference content would be good. Co-production with the wider sector on the design of this conference would be great too. Less top table and more collaboration.	Give more of the sector the chance to participate in strategic influencing and planning - daytime meetings disadvantage volunteers (many of whom are VCSE leaders in the city). More geographical spread in service delivery - outreach.	Supports some of the VCSE sector and provides training and advice.	Can we find another venue? This is not a great place to get to.

<p>Lloyds Bank Foundation presentation. How funding has changed in voluntary sector.</p>			<p>More work with service users to help with co-production and design of services</p>	<p>Great support network for Salford Voluntary Services. Excellent at bringing services together.</p>	<p>Just to note - mental health and poverty workshop a challenge. I feel waiting times for psychology services voluntary services can bridge gap with this wait also more emphasis on 1:1 services rather than solely group support work.</p>
<p>Speaking with the different groups, learning the needs of the groups. Lots of information about volunteering.</p>	<p>Strategies, too much mention of it. Too many stats, can we show this differently? Speakers - can we get the messages over better not in a dig at the speakers?</p>	<p>Less speakers, more work needed from the groups More meeting and engaging with other groups Celebrate more of what we do, if we can, without it being too much like the Heart of Salford Awards. More interaction with the groups.</p>	<p>Continue to advertise its services, getting out to the areas it supports.</p>	<p>They are very useful and without them the people of Salford would not be as well informed.</p>	<p>Well done Alison and the team, lots of hard work gone into the event and very much appreciated.</p>