

Community Volunteer Summer Fair 2015

Feedback

(N.B. There were a total of 16 stall holders at the event.)

Was today's event useful and if so please describe why?

Yes: 10

No: 1

Descriptions:

- VAL: "good for networking"
- RBL: "meeting people who needed advice and assistance. Connecting with other voluntary groups"
- Shopmobility: "In terms of meeting other volunteer groups and swapping funding ideas and utilising services"
- Alzheimer's Society: "meeting people and networking with other organisations"
- Contact the Elderly: "Had the opportunity to promote the group and meet up with other organisations. The children were kept entertained in the sandpit."
- LAC: "met some members of public and also made connections with other partners."
- Master Gardeners: "some good contact made and publicity for the programme. 35 conversations had."
- Healthwatch Leics.: "it was a good community event with a variety of information – the public seemed engage with the event."
- LRCF: "Raise profile of both grant making programmes. Met known and unknown VCS groups. Introduced Mars employees to VCS groups."
- Vista: "no footfall. No volunteers found. Only spoke to 4/6 people."
- Pablo's Horse Sanctuary: "Great opportunity to raise the profile of the charity and to network with the other organisations there. And to learn more about what is on offer in the Melton area. To share with the public what we are currently doing at the sanctuary and to raise much needed funds for the charity."

Was there anything about today's event that could be improved upon or done differently? If so, please give a brief description of what could be improved.

- Shopmobility: “Could the stalls be set parallel to the main day ‘walk through’ so we get more footfall passed the stalls.”
- Contact the Elderly: “no thank you.”
- LAC: “a chair!!”
- Healthwatch Leics.: “more publicity. Layout – the stands are hideous – be more open to see the stalls for the main walkway. Have someone directing the public to the stands.”
- LRCF: “Maybe more VCS groups exhibiting and visiting. Social enterprises to sell goods. People dotted around handing out leaflets/directing to event. Not obvious at the event it was about volunteering opportunities.”
- Vista: “shorted day say 11-2. Hold event in the library/community centre so captive audiences.”

What events would like to see in the future?

- RBL: “It would be an advantage to know how many extra volunteers the groups had.”
- Alzheimer’s Society: “more outside events to catch passing shoppers.”
- Contact the Elderly: “can’t think of anything at the moment”
- Master Gardeners: “similar – chance to contact local in the market was good”
- Healthwatch Leics.: “over 50’s. Festival in the Park – summer Fete”
- LRCF: “funders fairs for VCS groups including workshop on various topics e.g. making a case for funding, impact assessment, writing case studies etc.”
- Vista: “smaller volunteering events in different location”
- Pablo’s Horse Sanctuary: “Events that bring together all charities, agencies and organisations in the area. Spring, summer, autumn, winter. Winter ones inside maybe?”

Would you be interesting in attending any future community voluntary events?

Yes: 10 (Vista said yes, if in the library)

No: 0