

Connect St Albans Business Edition

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Connect St Albans, bringing local businesses and charities together

Here you can find out which local charities can benefit from your expertise or support. Each month we will send you their specific requests.

This month we are looking for: funding for a new project, support for the mayors Gala dinner, work experience placements, IT support, and more ...

Call now!! 01727 852 657

HACRO encourages informed opinion relating to crime, including criminal justice, the offender, the victim and related matters. HACRO aims to be a continuing source of support to those working with offenders. It is alive to current issues which are of public concern.

HACRO request: **Funding towards a new project: setting up conferences with prisoners and victims at The Mount and in the community.**

Networking opportunity - Attend HACRO's highly regarded AGM in September. There will be an interesting speaker and a chance to network with key people such as MP's, Lords, Mayors, the CEO of HCC, plus 12 exhibition stands.

What's in it for you?

- Affordable professional and personal development opportunities for your staff
- Positive relationships with the community
- Staff satisfaction, motivation, retention and skills

Join our growing band of 'Champions' by supporting your local community

Champion Case Study

Darwoods Lettings Specialists have agreed to sponsor St Albans Volunteer Centre. Their generosity makes a huge difference to the services the Volunteer Centre can offer. Darwoods support will mean they can update and produce a monthly vacancy list and promote more than 350 volunteer vacancies to the local community. The Volunteer Centre in turn will carry Darwoods logo on the vacancy list.



Please find attached, your invitation to the launch of **The Dragons Apprentice 2011**. This innovative new local project brings together Schools (apprentices) with Local Businesses (Dragons) and local charities. The first took place at St Columba's College where 3 groups of students were given £100 to make into £1000 and donate to a local charity. **If you are interested in being a Dragon in 2011 come along to find out more.** No obligation at this stage. Please [RSVP](#) by 26th Feb to secure your place.

Photographer needed for this event.
Please contact us if you can help

St Albans CVS helps local charities grow, thrive and be heard.

Each year the Mayor of St Albans hosts a Gala dinner to raise funds for the Mayor's charities. This year those charities are the Centre for Voluntary Service (CVS) and the Citizen's Advice Bureau (CAB) and the event is on:

Calling local

Calling local professionals

Local charities need your skills - HR, finance, marketing, communications, leadership, management, legal and more - on their trustee boards.

Come along to our event:
Building Better Boards
on **Monday April 19th**
at **The Waterend Barn**
St Albans
from **6pm to 8pm**

Discover how your expertise can support local charities across the district.

Click [here](#) for more Information.

To book a place, email [Sue](#) at St Albans CVS.

Please help us publicise the event by forwarding this to your business networks. Thank you.

Please distribute this widely and consider displaying it on your notice board.

Do we have the right contact person? Let us know if there is anyone else we should be talking to.

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Friday 19th March at Sopwell House

Can your organisation help in any of these ways?

- Book a table for a fun night that will promote your business whilst helping your community
- Provide prizes or services for the Blind Auction or Raffle
- Sponsor a place or table for young people

We need your help! Interested? Contact Alison.Orde@stalbens.gov.uk for more details

Community Meeting Point provide relief for people experiencing or who have experienced mental health problems. It provides recreational and other leisure occupations. Workshop facilities are also provided with the object of improving their quality of life.

Community Meeting Point request: **Work experience placements for people with a mental health issue. (They will be supported by a volunteer)**

St Albans Majorettes take part in competitions, shows and carnivals. Boys and girls of 5 and older learn the art of twirling. This gives children the opportunity to learn to work in a group and as an individual.

St Albans Majorettes request: **A sponsor for the troupe, a sponsor for new tracksuits and a dressmaker to help with troupe uniform alterations.**

Homestart St Albans committed to promoting the welfare of families with at least one child under 5. Volunteers offer regular support, friendship and practical help to families under stress, in their own homes, helping to prevent family crisis and breakdown.

Homestart St Albans request: **IT support, sponsorship of printing and support for collection on market stall.**

**Interested in helping any of these charities?
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If you would like to explore these opportunities to support your local community, or provide other development opportunities for your staff please give Carol Stevens or Laura Cronshaw a call on **01727 852 657** carol@cvsstalbens.co.uk laura@cvsstalbens.co.uk

Thinking of arranging affordable team building activities? Click [here](#) for details of our supported service.



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