

Charity / 3rd sector Mentoring Group

With Janis McDonald – *Chief Executive of Renfrewshire Council for Voluntary Services (RCVS)*



Session 1 23/9 3pm Social Enterprise, What is it? Why do it?

Session 2 21/10 3pm Managing Change

Session 3 18/11 3pm Successful planning & finance



At each session arrive from 3pm, networking then 3.30pm start, aim to finish by 5pm.

Venue for all 3 sessions will be the Barnwell Room at the Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce Business Centre, based at Glasgow Airport admin building, directly opposite the Holiday Inn Express. You can park for free in our car park – just press the control button at the barrier and say you have a meeting at The Chamber – park anywhere – once in. Full address: **Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce, Bute Court, Glasgow Airport Admin Building, St Andrews Drive, Paisley PA3 2SW 0141 847 5450**

At each session tea & coffee will be available.

These sessions are ideal for established charities looking to improve how they are run. The sessions will also provide a good networking opportunity with like minded people from the sector. The group will be max 10 in size therefore spaces are limited and will be offered to eligible companies on a first come first served basis.

These sessions are delivered free under the Business Mentoring Programme – a partnership between Scottish Chambers and Scottish Enterprise. European funding allows us to offer these sessions to you at no charge, provided you meet the eligibility criteria, which are:

- Turnover of at least £100K (or a plan to achieve that within a year)
- Ambition to grow
- Been in business for at least 1 year
- Not currently involved in the mentoring programme / nor have been in the last 12 mths
- 1 person from each charitable organisation

Please contact Bob Grant at Renfrewshire Chamber of Commerce on either bgrant@renfrewshirechamber.com or 0141 847 5455 to register your place with this group.

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Trained as a psychiatric nurse in Larbert in 1977, Janis specialised in long stay return to the community in Forth Valley and Glasgow and she developed an interest in social housing and addictions early in her career. Whilst working in the public sector she got her first taste of volunteering with the then Scottish Council on Alcohol network (now Alcohol Focus Scotland) acting as a volunteer counsellor, counselling supervisor and training "tutor". She mixed public and third sector involvement as a manager in the health service up until 1987 when she moved full time into the Third Sector working in addictions in the hostels of Glasgow. Her involvement with addictions saw her progress from project manager to CEO and move from Glasgow to Aberdeen. She has now worked in 5 different charities and held senior posts in three of those. In addition she has been on the Board of many Third Sector organisations including more recently a Housing Association, Community Health Initiative and Regeneration Company. Her interest in community development grew alongside an understanding of social economy development. She has managed several projects that have gone on to become independent enterprises and is working with the Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations on their Quality Matters (EFQM) Project.