

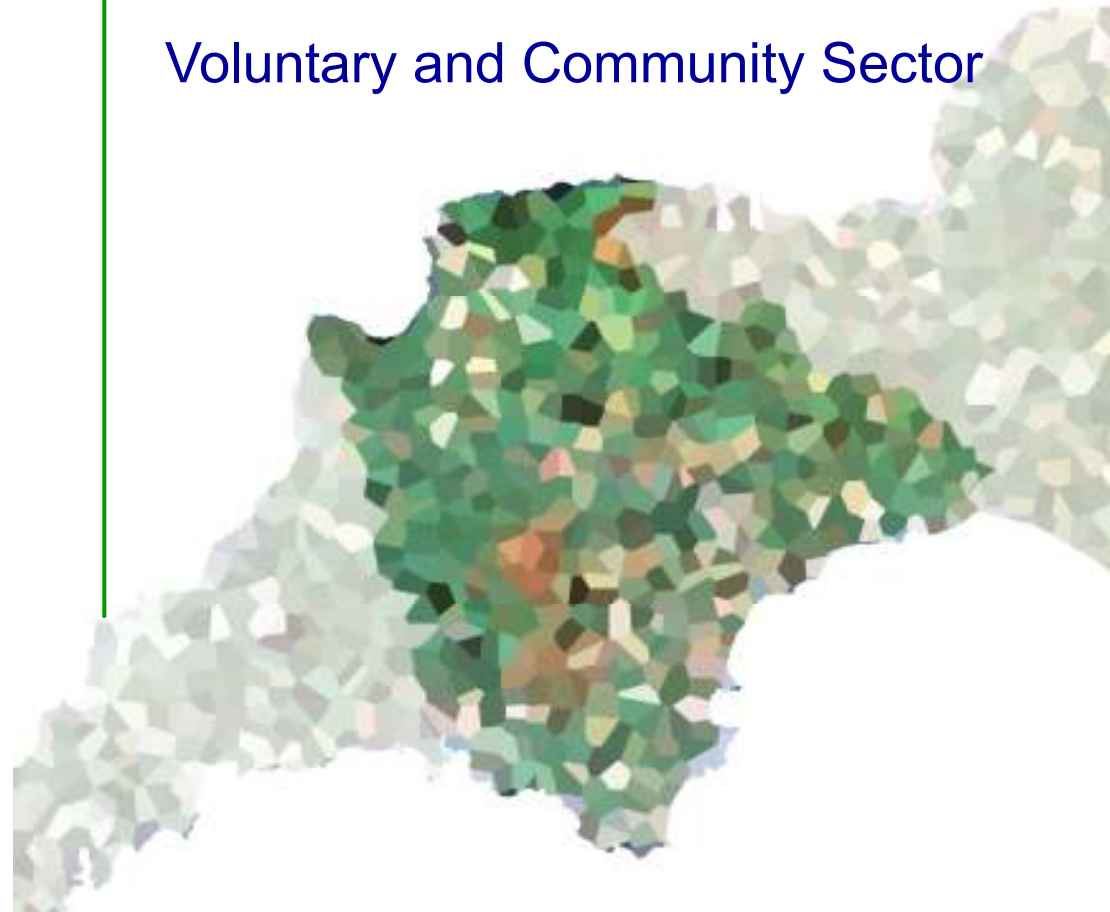


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for Devon

## 10 Things You Need to Know about the Volunteering Code of Good Practice

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**Are you a voluntary or community group in Devon?**

**Does your organisation come into contact with statutory services such as local councils, health police or probation ?**

**Do you use volunteers to run your services?**

**If so ... you need to read this**

1. Statutory agencies agree to work with VCS organisations to improve the profile, status and range of volunteering
2. Both the VCS and statutory sectors will work together to tackle discrimination so that volunteering is open to all
3. Both sectors will celebrate volunteering and agree that high levels of volunteering indicate healthy and active communities
4. Statutory agencies and VCS organisations recognise that good practice in volunteering involves extra capacity and cost

5. Both sectors recognise that costs which actively enable greater access to volunteering are appropriate in funding applications
6. Signatory organisations to the Code from both sectors will ensure that in these agencies responsibility is taken for developing volunteering policy, good practice and volunteer management mechanisms
7. Statutory agencies and VCS organisations, both those who involve volunteers or who support services which involve volunteers, recognise the expertise of volunteer infrastructure organisations and use this expertise to support volunteering
8. The Code contains signposting for information on good practice and sources of support for VCS organisations which involve volunteers
9. Statutory agencies will consider ways to involve volunteers in policy and service development, where appropriate, in the same way that users and carers are involved
10. To view the full Compact for Devon and the six Codes of Practice go to **[www.dacvs.org.uk](http://www.dacvs.org.uk)** or get further information from a local Council for Voluntary Service (CVS). To contact the Compact Administrator telephone 01392 202057