

A 'Third Sector' Perspective'

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What's in a Name

- Charity
- Voluntary Sector
- Third Sector
- Civic Sector
- Community and voluntary sector
- Not for profit

- A group of like minded people working in their own time to achieve something they believe in
- Organisations working for community benefit who rely on paid staff
- Social Entrepreneurs/Community Interest companies

Supporting Community Safety

- Domestic and sexual violence
- Youth diversion and support
- Community cohesion
- Health and wellbeing
- Housing
- Drugs and alcohol
- Sexual exploitation
- Hate Crime

Supporting Community Safety

- Offender support
- Victim Support
- Neighbourhood Watch
- Street pastors
- Etc, etc

Challenges

- Competition to secure funds
- Shift to less reliance on grant funding
- Regional and national funding
- Payment by results
- Unrealistic expectations of volunteering

Opportunities

- Need to think about how public services are delivered in future
- Recognise benefits of supporting local 'charitable' providers
- Sector works closer together rather than in competition
- Social Value Act
- Government policy - dismantling the 'state'
- Improving commissioning