

## Voluntary and Community Sector (VCS) Funding Review



Dorset Council is currently reviewing the grants the former sovereign councils gave to the VCS in order to offer equal opportunities to VCS organisations in all of Dorset Councils areas. This is also aimed to ensure that all grants given help Dorset Council to meet its priorities. We would appreciate if you could complete this survey to tell us what you think about our proposals.

Are you replying to this survey as a;

- ☐ Official representative of a VCS Organisation
- ☐ Someone involved in a VCS Organisation (e.g. volunteer or service user)
- ☐ Dorset Resident
- ☒ Other

Please specify

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Would you be happy for us to contact you to either talk more about your answers or to work with us on developing the VCS funding offer in the future? *Please note we may not be able to contact everyone Your response will be treated confidentially. Your details will be kept in accordance with our [Data Protection Policy](#).*

- ☐ Yes I am happy for you to contact me to discuss my answers
- ☐ Yes I am happy for you to contact me to discuss working with you in the future
- ☐ Yes I am happy for you to contact me for either of these things
- ☐ No