

September 2009

Hillingdon Community Mediation

# Newsletter



## Diary Dates for September

### Volunteer Support Sessions at Key House, Yiewsley

*Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> Sept'09, 2.30pm ~ 4.30pm*  
*Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> Sept'09, 6.30pm ~ 8.30pm*

**Themed Training Evening at  
St. Giles' Church Hall, Ickenham**  
*Thursday, 24<sup>th</sup> Sept'09, 6.30pm ~ 8.30pm*



## ***Outrageous***

I recently received a letter from Denis and Leone saying ... I quote: *'We are writing to you as a reminder that it has now been three months since you last attended a Support Session on 7<sup>th</sup> May' .....* and that basically I can't be allocated any cases or Conflict Coaching clients until I've attended a Support Session or Themed Training Evening. So, to deal with this outrageous situation I will be facilitating the following:

### **Themed Training Evening**

At St. Giles Church Hall  
24<sup>th</sup> September'09,  
6.30pm ~ 8.30pm

### **Role Play Evening**

*This evening will be an opportunity to practice and then review how we are presently mediating, via role plays.*

*Dispute situations will be used to draw out difficulties commonly experienced in visits and face to face meetings so that they can be reflected on and learned from, and, if necessary, different approaches can be developed.*

*See you there!*

*Alan*

## **New Management Committee Members**

Those of you who attended the Annual General Meeting in July will know that we now have some new Management Committee members and so I would like to welcome Sonniah Aldridge and Lynn Boden to the Management Committee. Sonniah will be the Community Liaison Officer for the coming year and Lynn is still to take up an Officer post as she will be joining the Committee in October. The other members and their respective positions on the Management Committee (MC) are as follows:

**Chair** ~ Amlan Ghoshal

**Vice Chair** ~ Margaret Roffe

**Treasurer** ~ Vacant

**PQASSO Liaison Officer** ~ Mary Roberts

**Training Officer** ~ Margaret Roffe (until Oct'09)

**MC Officer** ~ Arthur Fiber

Anita Morris stepped down from the Committee for this year and I would like to express my thanks for her contribution to the MC meetings and to the PQASSO meetings she attended while a member.

## *Conflict Coaching ~ grant of over £4000 received!*

Well done to Carole again for raising £4814 to support the development of the Conflict Coaching project. This will include money for the following:

- 6 x training/review evenings
- 1 x training day
- Money to pay for travel and room bookings
- Local publication advertisements and other publicity, including internet advertising and leaflets and displays etc.
- Translation costs for leaflets and to pay for interpreters where needed.



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### **Community Conversations**

Enclosed you will find a flyer and attendance form for an information event about the above project that is being run by Newham Conflict and Change. Please simply fill the form in yourselves if you wish to go. There's no payment for it so just book and go along yourselves if interested and I'm likely to see you there.

Alan

We have password protected our newsletters. There is now a link to the Newsletter's Page on the Mediator's page of our website so that they can be read exclusively by members of HCM.

The password is:

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## *10 Year Celebration in 2010*

*We are thinking about producing a special celebration newsletter, so if anyone has any old photos of HCM members or events I would love to include them so please let me have them.*

*Carole*

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