



Islington Community Network (ICN) brings together networks of voluntary and community groups in Islington to understand the issues that residents face, and to use that understanding to work for change with the council and other local organisations.

Islington Voluntary Sector Conference 2012

Islington's annual Voluntary Sector Conference is a partnership between ICN and Islington Council. The 2012 Conference:

- Brought together **over 100** voluntary and community sector (VCS) workers, councillors, council staff and volunteers
- Generated **lively discussion** exploring what statutory and VCS support services for front-line VCS groups are doing well and could improve
- Promoted **awareness** of the support services available to the VCS through a 'marketplace' of stalls offering information
- Informed a series of recommendations **to be implemented** by ICN, Voluntary Action Islington (VAI) and Islington Council
- Feedback from the conference has **prompted** the Octopus Community Network to hold a strategy away day and has been **incorporated** into VAI strategy



To find out more:

www.vai.org.uk/services/islington-community-network
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Speakers

- **Jeremy Corbyn**
MP Islington North
- **Joe Irvin**
Chief Executive of the National Association of Voluntary and Community Action (NAVCA)
- **Cllr. Barbara Sidnell**
Executive Member for Tenants, Residents and Communities
- **Cllr. Richard Greening**
Deputy Leader and Executive Member for Finance and Performance