

## **Children Matter East – Membership Categories**

Membership is sub-divided into three subsets, predicated on the principle of 'one organisation, one vote'.

### **Identified voting members are:**

- The members of Voluntary Youth Services Eastern Region (VYSER), including Councils for Voluntary Youth Services (CVYS).
- The members of the National Council for Voluntary Child Care Organisations (NCVCCO), who deliver services in the region.
- Representatives from the Children and Young People's VCS Networks (CYP VCS Network) in the region, not including CVYS.
- A representative of the Community Foundations in the region.
- A representative of the Councils for Voluntary Service in the region.
- A representative of the Rural Community Councils in the region.
- A representative of Black and Minority Ethnic VCS interests in the region.
- National, specialist infrastructure providers, i.e. National Council for Voluntary Youth Services, Pre-School Learning Alliance.

### **Advisory members are:**

- Any elected VCS representative on a Children's Trust Board, Executive sub-group or Learning and Skills Council Board.
- VCS members of Special Interest (thematic) Groups, not otherwise previously included.
- Regional development staff.
- National development staff.
- Secretariat staff.

### **The associate or non-voting members include:**

- Children's Workforce Development Council, Together 4 Children, TDA, LAYSER, MLA and Youth Justice Board.
- Children's Trusts - via the Association of Directors for Children Services (Eastern Region).
- Health - via the Care Services Improvement Partnership and Primary Care Trusts.
- Regional Government - via Go East (Children and Learners Directorate).