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### Southend Association of Voluntary Services Media Release

## SAVS Trustee Network - *Bite Size* training sessions for prospective trustees Could you help a community group face the challenges ahead?

**Date:** 6<sup>th</sup> January

**Effective Date:** Immediate

**Event:** Trustee Training Sessions - January 25th and January 27th from 7pm - 9pm at SAVS Centre Alexandra Street Southend

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If you have ever considered helping out in your community or would simply like to find out more about becoming a Trustee **Southend Association of Voluntary Services (SAVS)** bite size sessions are just what you need!

During these challenging times, your skills and experience could be just what local community groups are looking for to assist in the running of their organisations. Trustees ensure that community organisations run smoothly, they advise on a wide variety of issues and topics from financial matters to marketing and event planning. If you would like to make a real difference and can commit a little of your time SAVS would like to hear from you.

SAVS Funding Officer, Barry Millar, said:

*"With the current financial situation, groups will need to ensure their organisation is strong enough to survive and continue providing valued services to the community"*

**SAVS is holding two *Bite Size* training events on January 25th and January 27th from 7pm - 9pm at SAVS Centre** aimed at providing potential Trustees with a range of information and guidance to help them to fully understand what Trusteeship entails and to see what a valuable and rewarding experience it can be.

**Contact Barry Millar to book your place by telephone on 01702 356008 or vial email: [funding@savs-southend.co.uk](mailto:funding@savs-southend.co.uk)**

#### **Background:**

**Southend Association of Voluntary Services, or SAVS** as we are more frequently known, is a council for voluntary service, (CVS) part of a national network of similar organisations. Our job is to advise and support local, not-for-profit groups. These groups provide all manner of services and include social clubs, groups advising people who care for a relative at home, advice and activities for people with disabilities or health problems, tenants and residents' associations, and many more!

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