

List of signatories



Carlisle City Council



Copeland Borough Council



Cumbria County Council



Cumbria Third Sector Network



Cumbria Police & Crime Commissioner



Cumbria Partnership NHS Foundation Trust



Cumbria CVS



Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group

Cumbria Clinical Commissioning Group



North Cumbria University Hospitals NHS Trust



South Lakeland District Council



University Hospitals of Morecambe Bay NHS Trust

joint working
quality services

Cumbria
Compact

Summary

Supporting Cumbria's Voluntary & Community Sector to thrive

mutual respect
communication independence

The Cumbria Compact

The Cumbria Compact sets out how public sector and voluntary and community sector organisations can work together to improve services for local people. It sets out the principles for best practice in their relationships. Find out more here:

<http://cumbriacvs.org.uk/giving-you-a-voice/the-cumbria-compact/>

The voluntary and community sector

Also referred to as 'the third sector' or 'civil society organisations'. The terms refer to value driven, non-governmental organisations which reinvest their surpluses to further social, environmental or cultural objectives. This term encompasses charities, community groups, social enterprises, co-operatives and clubs.

The public sector

The public sector includes central government departments, local authorities and health care providers. You can find out which public sector organisations have signed up to the Cumbria Compact on the back page of this flyer.

The national Compact

There is a national Compact between central government and the voluntary and community sector. You can find out more about the role of the national Compact here:

<http://www.navca.org.uk/compact-1>

What difference do Compacts make?

Almost every local authority in England is signed up to a local Compact that reflects local circumstances and goals. Up to date case studies of local Compacts in action (including Cumbria) are available here:

www.compactvoice.org.uk/resources/case-studies

The Cumbria Compact covers...

Working together for equality

The public sector 'Equality Duty' states that there should be equality for everyone! It's a core value of our society, shared by both the public sector and voluntary and community sectors.

Allocating resources

Voluntary and community sector organisations are often in a good position to understand what people want and how their needs can be met. By working together, the public sector and the voluntary and community sector can develop and deliver services that are built around communities and individuals, meeting their needs and reflecting their choices.

Engagement in policy and development

The benefits of effective engagement with the voluntary and community sector include improved service delivery, safer, stronger communities, increased social capital and community cohesion.

Cumbria Compact Steering Group

Comprising public sector and voluntary and community sector representatives, this group is committed to developing the Cumbria Compact, encouraging its implementation and resolving issues positively for the improvement of partnership working in Cumbria. Membership is open.

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