

Invitation: **‘Alternative not-for-profit structures and trading’**



FREE seminar for our charity clients and friends

Date: Monday 22 September, 4.30pm – 6.30pm

Location: DWF, 5 St Paul's Square, Old Hall Street, Liverpool L3 9AE - Boardroom

Parking: There are NCPs nearby and the nearest train station is Moorfields.

This seminar is ideal for those who would like a better understanding of the different legal structures and purpose of social enterprises, including charities and community interest companies, as well as more obscure legal structures. As charities start to see traditional sources of income dry up they are taking bold steps to try new ways of raising revenue and becoming self-sustainable.

Speakers, to be accompanied by a sandwich buffet and followed with time for networking:

Catherine Rustomji, Head of Charities & Social Enterprise, DWF LLP

Catherine will explain the key features of the different legal structures, as well as the main differences between the different forms to help those attending gain a better understanding and confidence.

Catherine is an experienced charities solicitor who advises on all aspects of charity law and regulation, in particular governance, constitutional issues and advising charity trustees on their duties and responsibilities. Catherine has been advising charities, social enterprises and other not for profit organisations exclusively for 14 years.

Peter Taaffe, Managing Partner, BWMacfarlane

Thinking commercially and trading successfully. When to use a trading company, investing in your subsidiary trading company and tax and VAT implications. Building on existing core strengths of the charity is typically the route to success – Peter will share real life examples and potential pitfalls.

Peter's blend of skills from his FCA & CTA qualifications and practice experience provides clients with a broad perspective and practical advice. His focus is on improved business performance and enhanced value for clients, working with a variety of SME and charity projects. He is a member of the Committee of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England & Wales Charities and Voluntary Sector Special Interest Group.

Tony Okotie, Chief Executive, Liverpool Charity and Voluntary Services (LCVS)

Thoughts on trading in the not-for-profit sector as charities start to see traditional sources of income dry up - noting how charities are taking bold steps to try new ways of raising revenue and becoming self-sustainable.

Tony has been CEO of LCVS since January this year. He has worked in the voluntary sector for over 10 years, including developing a successful IT social enterprise. Prior to that Tony worked in the regional newspaper industry and had a career in retail banking. Tony has held roles as trustee and chair of various voluntary organisations, and has a Masters degree in Voluntary Sector Management.

Please book with **Vicki Harper 0151 236 1494** or email **vicki.h@bwm.co.uk**