



## **MAKING IT HAPPEN: CO-PRODUCING THE NEXT STEPS FOR *THE WAY AHEAD***

**An event for all stakeholders on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2016, 10am-4pm  
at The Wash Houses, 25 Old Castle Street, London E1 7NT**

[‘The Way Ahead - Civil Society at the Heart of London’](#) was published in April this year and we now need to move to on to the next stage – making it all happen!

This review of support to London’s civil society was led by London Voluntary Service Council, Greater London Volunteering and London Funders and we started the journey with three beliefs: first, that London needs a vibrant civil society to prosper; second, that civil society needs access to appropriate support and a ‘voice’ within the ongoing debate about London’s governance; and third that the current economic situation presents opportunities to re-think how that support is provided. The Way Ahead proposes putting London’s communities at the heart of the way we all work, co-producing an understanding of need and how to tackle it with our communities, making sure that civil society’s voice is heard in decision-making at a strategic level. There are recommendations for all sectors as it is only by drawing on the knowledge and resources of all that we can truly harness the potential of London’s civil society for all in our communities.

So as the next step we are holding a highly participative event for all stakeholders to come together and move our vision forward. Over the course of the day you will:

- Catch up on progress made across all sectors since April
- Hear from stakeholders what The Way Ahead means for them
- Explore the opportunities and challenges for your organisation, area of interest or stakeholders
- Contribute to how recommendations are taken forward as practical action
- Get involved in future activities

This is your opportunity to be involved in making sure The Way Ahead achieves its aim of making sure civil society is supported into the future, for the benefit of all Londoners, and by all sectors. Everyone has a role to play in this – we can only make it work by working together.

You can book your place at this event now by going to <http://tinyurl.com/nextstepswayahead>