

SWRLS CIO Members' Day 2020, Call for Papers

SWRLS CIO Members' Day is an opportunity for members to network to hear about and learn from exciting projects and initiatives taking place in the region's library services. These may be small one-off initiatives or larger scale projects with several partners, but all will have relevance to other services.

The Board of Trustees is now planning the next Members' Day and is inviting members to submit ideas for presentations. Details as follows:

Date: Wednesday 29 April, 2020, 10.30 - 15.30.

Venue: Taunton Conference Centre, Taunton Campus, Bridgwater and Taunton College.

Expenses: reasonable travel expenses will be paid to speakers, if required, and lunch will be provided on the day.

Presentations: around 15 - 20 minutes on projects and initiatives taking place in library services. These could be:

- initiatives involving one library or multi partner projects;
- working with and delivering directly to customers; a workforce development initiative; working with other departments in your organisation or external, including non-library, partners;
- single sector or cross sector;
- just started, on-going or recently completed (i.e. within the last year).

We are particularly keen to hear from initiatives focusing on workforce development; innovative cost savings (getting more from less) and the cost effective use of resources. We are also keen to encourage representation from the academic and health sectors, as these sectors were under represented at last year's Members' Day.

How you deliver your presentation is down to you - a data projector will be available, but a 15 minute talk is just as acceptable. We want to hear about what you are doing or did, what you are learning, any feedback from staff and/or customers and how this could be replicated elsewhere.

We would love to hear from you and include you in our programme. Even in these difficult times, there are wonderful projects taking place - let's spread the good news and learn from one another.

Please send a short description of your proposal - just a few sentences will be sufficient - to Shelagh Levett director@swrls.org.uk by the end of 17 February 2020. Please put 'SWRLS Members Day presentation proposal' in the subject heading of your e-mail. We will let you know by the end of February if your submission has been successful, so please put the date in your diary now!