

## 6 CORE ACTIVITIES OF A CVS

### AS RECOMMENDED BY AVANTE

- Understanding the Sector –** Ensuring CVS hold up to date intelligence information on the profile of the community and the sector in their area and that they are familiar with the sector's main concerns including an assessment of need;
- Communicating with the Sector –** Providing relevant and up to date information and facilitating networking between organisations, enabling them to respond to emerging issues and consultative processes;
- Representing the Sector –** Working with other sectors, ensuring the views and interests of the sector are represented.

#### *In Addition CVS will be expected to:*

- Provide Support Services –** The range of services is likely to remain extensive and includes practical office support such as copying and room hire, to more substantial services such as funding, legal frameworks, management and employment advice, strategic and business planning;
- Promoting Good Practice –** Developing the skills and knowledge of those operating at all levels in the sector; seeking to improve standards in service delivery, management and policy development as well as implementation;
- Growing the Sector –** Supporting the emergence of new groups in response to local issues and needs, strengthening the capacity of existing organisations through training and support.