

# Local Youth Network Meeting

**Area: Westbury**

**Date: 15/07/15**

**Times: 3.30-5.00pm**

**Venue: The Laverton**

**Present: Amy Schuring CYO, Phoebe Brazier CYO, Sally Hendry CAM, David Jenkins AB, Russell Hawker AB, Liam Cripps, Abbie Brewer YP.**

**Apologies: Carris Maskell, Debbie Cole, Gavin Hucks**

**Agenda items:**

**1. Grant application process and how the tool kit works. Training and DBS. It was previously discussed that there would be 'hub' training available for LYN member, this has proved a logistical challenge and therefore not currently an option. Phoebe and Amy suggested ongoing training would be offered during LYN management meetings until hub training becomes available.**

**2. Grant applications. ATC have partially submitted an application for funding of £1500 for 10 x tablets and 10 x two way radios. There have been issues with the online application process therefore application has not yet been formally submitted. Amy has spoken with Penny Couldrake regarding the application and has offered support to complete and submit this application. They currently have 3 old laptops which are difficult to store. The equipment will be stored at the venue and will be accessible to other groups of young people accessing the provision. The ATC are now required to do their training online and currently do not have the suitable equipment available.**

**Amy has a meeting with Keith Harvey who is the Chairman for Westbury United and Youth to discuss a possible grant application to support and promote girls football in Westbury.**

**Phoebe has been working with Fairfield Opportunity Farm on a possible grant application for the Youth Club targeting learning disabled young people aged 14-25 years and another grant for Learning Holiday Club/Weekend Workshops targeting learning disabled young people 14-25 years.**

**Amy has been leading on street-based youth consultation with young people around the skate park. They have identified improvements they would like in regards the ramps and they are also keen to take part in a skate competition.**

**3. Consultation – Summer plan. Amy and Phoebe have been in contact with CYO's from different areas to see what they have in place for young people over the summer holidays. Bradford on Avon Area Board has released funds to the CYO by top slicing £2,000 to be spent on positive activities for young people during the holiday period. The needs assessment for Westbury area identified a need of archery and other taster sessions where young people can 'have a go' and try something new'. Amy and Phoebe are keen to replicate this in Westbury. The ideal location for summer activities**

would be Penleigh Park to allow for consultation with young people regarding issue with the skate park. It was identified that the Town Council are planning a Party in Penleigh Park in 2017 including a skate competition which is in early planning stages. This would provide an opportunity to high light and issue which may need resolving and also encourage young people to engage in this working group.

**4. Advertising and promotion.** Westbury area LYN has currently only had one grant application submitted. Phoebe and Amy would like to do more to promote the funding available for positive activities for young people in Westbury area. Sally Hendry suggested using the local paper and current digital media forums to advertise what is available for young people and how local groups/young people can access funding. It was suggested a picture story of summer positive activities would be a more pro-active approach to get local clubs/groups/young people/volunteers on board and would be cost neutral. David Jenkins would also like to see a community engagement project involving young people i.e. litter pick. Which would also provide a platform for free advertisement of what is available.

**5. Venue for youth provision.** It was agreed that Matravers would be a better a venue to hold YAG and LYN meetings in the future. Abbie said it would be easier for young people to attend and therefore likely to be more participation from young people. Matravers have previously agree to be a host venue for these meetings however they would like all adults attending to have valid DBS clearances. Abbie also suggested Matravers 6<sup>th</sup> Form community room as a potential venue for youth club as it's not part of the main school and only 6<sup>th</sup> form students normally use it would make it a novelty for younger students and provide volunteering opportunities for 6<sup>th</sup> form students.

#### **Decisions:**

- Funding should be released for positive activities for young people during the summer holiday
- ATC application to be taken to the AB
- Advertise funding available through cost neutral means at this time.

#### **Recommendations to Area Board:**

- £1,500 grant to be awarded to ATC (Providing paperwork submitted)
- £2,000 top sliced funding made available for summer consultation

#### **Actions:**

- SH to contact BOA CAM re Summer Activities funding
- PB to contact HR re DBS clearances
- AS to work with Penny Couldrake to submit grant application
- PB to contact Keith Harvey re Play Areas Working Group and Party in Penleigh Park 2017.
- Abbie Brewer to speak to Mr Browning about the possibility of using the community room within the 6<sup>th</sup> form as a youth club.

**Date of Next meeting: Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> September**

**Notes taken by- name: Phoebe Brazier**

**Position: CYO**