

AGENDA SUPPLEMENT (1)

Meeting: Amesbury Area Board
Place: Figcheldean Village Hall, Pollen Lane, Figcheldean, SP4 8JR
Date: Thursday 14 September 2017
Time: 7.00 pm

The Agenda for the above meeting was published on 6 September 2017. Additional documents are now available and are attached to this Agenda Supplement.

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Agenda Item 9

Amesbury Area Board Local Youth Network

The Ham Durrington

Wednesday 6th September 17.00

Notes

Notes of the previous meeting held 14.06.2017 agreed.

Forward work programme for LYN

Looking to have joint chairman as an aspiration. DH has held discussions with both schools and they are on side.

Membership is expanding. Need to set up separate group to look at fundraising.

Need representatives from rural areas. Have at least 3 YP representatives.

Can hold meetings at schools on an alternative basis. Stonehenge for November. Avon Valley for January.

LYN reports to Amesbury Area Board. Next meeting 14th September and 30th November.

Once we have established a new way of working we can then expand this to the wider community.

We could have a wider LYN a couple of times per year to network and invite key speakers.

Could use 1 area board per year as youth focus. Look at January meeting.

Wiltshire Children and Families Voluntary Sector Forum can be used for signposting for various topics.

Could we look at a type of leisure credits or I will project.

Need to publish a newsletter before Christmas on what is happening across the community area

Actions

Sub group to organise area board agenda. To include BL JD KP Jilly Clarke Harry and Olivia.

Action DH to seek permission for January AB to be youth focused

Action DH to contact new principle Mr Johnston at Avon Valley and Stonehenge re meetings.

DR to circulate the terms of reference

DR to circulate area board dates

JD to circulate funding streams

Olivia and Harry to design poster to promote LYN

DR JD JR to take lead on leisure credit type scheme

FW to lead on newsletter

Youth provision in Durrington

BL outlined what is happening with youth provision in Durrington.

DURRINGTON YOUTH PROVISION

Due to the end of our lease at The Ham Centre on 31st September we are looking forward to exciting changes within our community.

As of 1st October, we will be “Community Youth Services” operating from Bulford and Durrington.

As at the end of our lease from providing youth services in Durrington we still have funds remaining. We are requesting that we use our remaining funds to support the new programme from October until the funds are gone.

We are planning to continue to find alternative funding sources other than solely relying on Wiltshire Council funding. We were recently rejected for 2 applications for funding based on the structure of the services we provide.

Outlined below is the future programme;

The Bridging Project

After much deliberation and debate we have decided to allow the Bridging Project to run its funded course. The Bridging project has 2 members attending but has not been fully funded for the past 2 years. The Bridging project has been being supported by internal funds raised and by using the ham youth centre for free. Based on this the funds required to continue the sessions will be increased. Abbie and I have agreed to run the sessions until the remaining funds have gone. We are going to re-advertise the sessions at our new premises in the aim of developing the growth of the group. If we increase our memberships we will be may ask for support from The LYN through funding.

As at 31st September funds remaining = **£1730**

Rent costs for October, November & December (£13.95x11sessions) = £153.45

2 Wages for October, November & December (£351+£715) = £1066

Administration costs, hall deposit, tuck stock and activities are currently self-funded.

Total cost for 3 months = **£1219.45**

Youth Services

We currently provide 2 sessions for young people with a junior night on Tuesdays for young people in year groups 7 – 9 and a senior session on Thursdays for young people in year groups 10 – aged 19.

As we have only 2 nights available to deliver youth services from our new premises we are having to join the 2 sessions into 1 night which will be on Thursdays for young people in year groups 7 – aged 19.

This may affect our current number of attendees but we won't know by how much until it is being delivered.

Current funds remaining as at 31st September = **£4216**

Costing for 3 months is = **£1219.45** by these figures we should be able to run these sessions for 9 months before requiring funding support.

Administration costs, hall deposit, tuck stock and activities are self-funded.

Street Based Youth Work

This is a new project which we are excited to introduce to Durrington. As our premises have been sourced out of Durrington it was a priority to still ensure engagement with the young people we have established relationships with. We are going to be engaging with a range of young people in reported problematic areas in Durrington. Our aim is to promote other services available, engage them in positive activities with the use of The MUGA and a project with Durrington Town Council of a future container for their use during the street based youth work sessions.

As we have raised funds through tuck sales and entrance fees we are planning to self-fund this project up until Christmas as a trial. In the event of its success we will be applying for funding going through into the new year.

Costing for 3 months = **£1133.50**

2 Wages £1066

X3 MUGA sessions @ £22.50 per session = £67.50

The Lyn supported these proposals outline above and will recommend to the area board to accept them

Action DH to present this to area board for approval.

DB and BL to explore possibility of introducing these YP with Redworth Club

Applications for funding

JR gave a presentation which highlighted what WCA achieve with funding from Amesbury Area Board.

DB presented funding facts in relation to youth activities.

After careful consideration The LYN recommend awarding £4,126 for the remainder of this financial year.

AOB

Dates, times and venues for future meetings

Next meeting will take place at Stonehenge School. Date to be confirmed

Report to	Amesbury
Date of Meeting	14/09/2017
Title of Report	Community Youth Grants

1. Purpose of the report:

To ask Councillors to consider the following applications seeking funding from the Amesbury Area Board.

Application	Grant Amount	Total cost of project
Applicant: Wessex Community Action Project Title: Amesbury Youth Cafe	£8,252.00	£18,600

2. Main Considerations

Councillors will need to be satisfied that grants awarded in the 2017/18 year are made to projects that can realistically proceed within a year of the award being made.

Area Boards have authority to approve Area Grants under powers delegated to them by the Cabinet member for Communities, Campuses, Area Boards, Leisure, Libraries and Flooding. Under the Scheme of Delegation Area Boards must adhere to the Area Board Grants Guidance 2017/2018.

Community Youth Grants will contribute to the continuance and/or improvement of cultural, social and community activity and wellbeing in the community area, the extent and specifics of which will be dependent upon the individual project.

Community Youth Grants give all local community and voluntary groups, Town and Parish Councils an equal opportunity to receive funding towards community based projects and schemes.

3. The applications

Applicant: Wessex Community Action Project Title: Amesbury Youth Cafe	Amount Requested from Area Board: £8252.00	
This application meets grant criteria 2017/18.		
Project Summary: The Youth Cafe is a drop-in facility catering for the needs of a wide cross section of young people aged 13-19 years old. We established the Cafe in 2015 at the request of the Amesbury Area Board to address the issue of anti-		

social behaviour in Amesbury. The cafe runs on Tuesday and Friday evenings with additional pastoral outdoor work being done around the town at other times and events being run on an adhoc basis. The main sessions take place in the fully equipped premises at the Redworth Centre and we are building on the initial two years of this successful growing facility. The young people have access to simple refreshments and a variety of recreational activities such as pool Xbox and table football.

Please tell us WHO will benefit and HOW they will benefit from your project and benefit your local community:

The Youth Cafe is open to all and free to attend. The cafe provides a safe place for young people to go in the evenings and this contributes to a reduction in anti-social behaviour and general mischief-making among this challenging group. Local people are volunteering at the cafe and we signpost young people to other positive activities which are taking place locally improving the take up of these activities. The young people are encouraged to set their own agenda and be involved in the planning and running of the facility but with no obligation. We have talked to young people and discussed their wishes needs and desires. Young People are involved in the layout of the furniture the programming and the implementation of our activities. Darren and Jonathan try to talk face to face with each young person making small talk as often as possible and this has often led to meaningful conversations. The cafe is widely advertised especially in all the local schools and using social media. We have worked with over 120 Young People over the last year with attendances averaging 30 per session. We provide a free cafe-style facility designed to meet some of the basic leisure needs for young people aged 13 to 19 and steer them in the direction of other more specific positive activities. Young People have access to simple refreshments and a variety of recreational activities. More expensive snacks are available at a cost and the small profit from these is used to purchase the free refreshments such as tea coffee and toast which are available to everyone. The availability of these simple refreshments also gives the cafe an informal welcoming and homely feel. We have many volunteers from the local community and as well as helping at the Youth Cafe they have recently worked with Wessex Community Action and the Youth Cafe youth workers to form the Amesbury Youth Forum which aims to attract volunteers provide training for all youth volunteers in Amesbury share resources and provide mutual support and encouragement for all Youth Workers and Organisers. So, the knock-on effect is being felt across the whole community. The young people are encouraged to take part in community events such as the Festival of Youth and the Amesbury Carnival Procession - which they are unlikely to have done without our encouragement. The venues that we use are all fully accessible and the facility is free so is open to those with disabilities and those on low incomes. We have a wide cross section of young people attending from different communities and last year we had 3 young people with noticeable special needs and 7 young people with additional special needs who attend special events only. We have worked with the Amesbury Youth Forum volunteers to start a Wednesday Night Cafe which is a special night for those who have additional or special needs or who need more close supervision. This started in July at the Bowman Centre. The project is proving to be very inclusive possibly because the nature of it is casual and relaxed. We currently have some LGBT clients a few young offenders and many young people in referred education. In the

Spring of 2017 we had 7 young people attending from the Traveller Community who were welcomed and integrated well with our regulars. We are particularly proud of the way in which the Cafe environment enables these young people to feel confident enough to take part in the activities and mix with others from the area. We work with other providers in the area to suggest further activities for the young people to attend. We attend the Local Youth Network to enable us to build relationships with other community partners. We have a good relationship with the local police and PCSOs from the Community Policing Team are regular faces at the cafe encouraging mutual respect.

We keep records of the number of people attending and of the positive activities that we signpost them on to at other times in the week. Over the last year the Youth Cafe has had rising numbers with attendances averaging 30 per session. Once again we anticipate constant levels of young people attending over the next year and would like to be able to make a commitment to them to be there for the foreseeable future. This will enable us to work with the young people building their confidence and helping them to take part in other positive activities in the area and be an asset to their communities. The cafe is so popular that word of mouth usually brings in the next cohort of young people as they reach the eligible age.

Breakdown of costs for project

2 x members of staff £15,600 1 x management fee £3,000

Recommendations from LYN meeting 14/06/2017

After careful consideration. LYN recommend to the area board to award £6,500 for the first six months and that WCA return in 6 months with a thoroughly costed project plan, evidence of 50% match funding and a full evaluation. In any event the LYN would only be recommending a maximum of 50% funding going forward.

Recommendations from LYN 06/09/2017

To recommend to the area board to award £4,126.00 for the remainder of this financial year.

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