

Trowbridge Community Area Future MAY 2017

Trowbridge Community Area Future (TCAF) is an independent Wiltshire Charity supporting some of the most vulnerable people in our community. Established in 1998, yet registered as a Charitable Incorporated Charity in January 2016 our aims are to develop the capacity and skills of our residents to enable them to better identify and help meet their needs and to participate more fully in society.

TCAF now runs a growing number of weekly youth cafes in which we provide non-formal education and life-long learning skills (drug / alcohol / sex). We currently operate three drop in Cafes, two in the neighbourhoods of Studley and Seymour and one in the school of John of Gaunt, plus neighbourhood outreach, with on average some 60 - 100 young people use one or more of our facilities/services every week.

Projects

The CABIN, Seymour

- The Princes Trust chose The Cabin, Seymour as their practical project. The Cabin has been secured as gift in kind by Trowbridge Town Council for the community base of Brighter Aspirations; youth element of TCAF.
- The Princes Trust and 12 volunteers; fundraised, painted, secured donations, and made signs to ensure this base is approachable and friendly for young people.
- Two week donations of time and commitment from 12 Princes Trust volunteers. The result is wonderful.
- Further work needs to be completed to ensure health and safety
- Current use; Staff and Trustee meetings.
- Open day for Launch July 10th.

Loan Shark

- Funding has been secured to engage with young people and deliver key messages through art and drama peer to peer.
- To raise awareness in young people of the dangers and pitfalls of illegal money lenders.
- Promotion at John of Gaunt: WC 8th May, every year group assembles, to promote TCAF youth activities and secure volunteers for this project.
- Target reach 500 young people, project delivered by 15 key young people.
- Key dates Arc Theatre June TBC

Staff Training

- · All TCAF staff First Aid trained
- Youth Support worker Secured Level 2 Youth Work
- Wiltshire College offering free training to SMEs funded by European Social Fund; TCAF registered all staff. Dates of courses TBC.

TCAF - Trustees

• TCAF welcomes Rachel Amor as its new Treasurer. Rachel is a Management Accountant working locally.

Community Hub @ BA14

- TCAF was offered a shop in the Shires; Gift in Kind, initially for one year. Donation of £34K.
- TCAF has co-ordinated over 25 local charities, community and statutory groups to develop a community HUB for members of the public to engage, sign post, offer advice and secure volunteers.
- 15 groups have signed up and will have joint use week by week of the shop.
- TCAF has donated staff time to secure this resource for the town.
- · All donations of furniture and maintenance has been free.
- · LAUNCH 31st MAY on a 3 month pilot.

Rural Youth Delivery - Holiday

TCAF are supporting Active Trowbridge in the delivery of school holiday neighbourhood youth provision. TCAF focused on two areas: Town Park16.30 – 18.00 and Studley 16.30 – 18.00. Two sessions delivered in the Easter Hoildays; Reach 25 young people. Next May half term.

Youth Support Network

TCAF has developed a constituted group: members whom all work and engage with young people. The focus on the group is better joined up working, developing initiatives to support the young people of Trowbridge and understand where gaps exist.

Members: Selwood Housing, Active Trowbridge, Go Fish, The Princes Trust, Trowbridge Museum, Tescos, TCAF, NCS, Youth For Christ, Trowbridge Town Hall and Trowbridge Arts and Wiltshire Council Youth Facilitator

Funding

Over 100 Letters have been issued to Trust and Foundations, nationally, whose key focus is young people and hard to reach communitities.

Response from Trowbridge Town Trust to fund one worker, 6 hours, for a year for Studley: Rejected

Applied to LYN for the two Youth Support Workers; 6 hours each for 9 months July 2017 - March 2018 TBC

Deadline for Wiltshire Community Foundation - Foundation Grant 24 May. Target £5k

BRIGHTER ASPIRATIONS TARGET GROUP - YOUNG PEOPLE

SERVICE - STUDLEY YOUTH

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update
SH/FB	LYN WCF TTC In kind support; Selwood housing and Tescos	 Aims: Provision for youth project Safe environment to meet, support, guidance and information during transition into adulthood. Objectives: Provide non formal education and life-long learning skills (drug / alcohol / sex). Raise motivation TUESDAYS - The Peoples Place 18.30-21.00 	 Stud Youth has a reach of 40 young people ranging from 14 - 19 years, and attended by 15- 20 young people each week. Two activity based weeks, T-Shirt tie dye: delivered by a Volunteer from Trowbridge Cultural Diversity group. The young people from Stud Youth were successful in securing £500 fund from Selwood Housing to be spent on what they choose. Free use of the People Place: no rent incurred. TCAF supported one young person from Stud Youth to attend an Emergency First Aid Course. This young person is also supported to volunteer at the Yuffies Club in Seymour on a Monday after school at the HUB Promotion at John of Gaunt: WC 8th May, every year group assembles (1200 pupils), to promote TCAF youth activities

SERVICE - SEYMOUR YOUTH

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update
SH/ZC	LYN WCF TTC In kind support; Selwood Housing and the Hub Management Committee and Tescos	 Aims: Establish and sustain community based youth provision. Objectives: Establish and build relationships with young people in the area through detached. Establish local resident and community leaders. Host a regular meeting place for young people in their neighborhood. WEDNESDAYS - The Seymour Hub 18.30-21.00 	 Launched 4th February. Reach of 4 young people at present and regular attended by 3 young people each week: aged 13 and 14 years. Promotion at John of Gaunt: WC 8th May to all year groups to promote TCAF youth activities Free use of the building; no costs incurred for rent. The young people attending have a particular interest in Art; funding sought to secure an activity.

SERVICE - NEWTOWN DETACHED AND YOUTH CLUB

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update
LM/SH	LYN WCF TTC	Support the local residents in developing a suitable youth café and provision in Newtown	Continuing to discuss with committee.

SERVICE - OPLINE MAINTANCE (Skate Group)

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update
LM/SH	LYN WCF In Kind donation from Coffee 1	 Aims: Develop a safe, user friendly skate park at Stallards Park. Objectives: Build relationships with users and owners. Develop understanding of current issues from users and owners. Act on these concerns to improve, working relationships and experiences for all stake holders. MONDAYS evening regular meetings 19.00 Coffee No 1 	 Reach of over 50 - 80 young people; regular attended by 5- 10 young people aged 16 years – to – 19 years. Maintenance has been completed at the skate park; Holes filled, corners rounded off and grind rail fitted: funded by the LYN, Town Council and TCAF Feedback has been mixed with a desire for an extension on the skatepark. However the maintenance has ensured a smother surface for improved performance.

SERVICE - OPLINE MASH UP (Skate Group)

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update

LM/SH	LYN WCF In Kind donation from Dorothy House and Tescos	 Aims: Develop a skater community who facilitate and ensure the sustainability of the Stallards Skate Park. Objectives: Engage young people and motivate in design and creation of Mash Up Event. Young people to be involved in re-design, facilitation and fundraising of improvements to the existing skate park and encourage and build skating community. Secure skate park design company to work collaboratively with young people to develop user friendly skate park. 	 As maintenance completed a date for an event at the park is to be set. The users group meet regular to discuss the future of the park and hope the event will secure more volunteers to help continue to improve the skatepark. MASH UP date TBC
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SERVICE – JOHN OF GAUNT (JOG) DETACHED

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update
SH/ZC	LYN WCF TTC	 Aims: Investigate the need for drop-in at JOG, initially during lunchtime period Objectives: Initiate pilot project in JOG. Engage with young people at JOG and find out their needs. Build relationship with JOG and Youth Council MONDAY lunchtimes - John of Gaunt School 	 The Drop in Youth Service started on 27th March. Promotion has been done through leaflets and lunchtimes walk arounds. No one to one meetings as yet. Service still to embed at the school. Currently building trust and awareness of drop in to young people. Promotion at John of Gaunt: WC 8th May, every year group assembles, to promote TCAF youth activities 15th May – 15 young people attended the drop in

SERVICE - Central - Detached

RESP.	FUNDING	AIMS & OBJECTIVES	Update

SH/ZC/FB	LYN WCF TTC In kind donations from Tescio	Aims: Form relationships with young people who are present on the street. Objectives: To assess need, build trust and inform all of new youth provision on offer in Trowbridge	 Reach 50 - 80 young people. Opportunity to understand needs of young people and to offer advice and sign posting.
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