



Report to	Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board
Date of Meeting	20 – 5 - 15
Title of Report	Locality Youth Network update

Purpose of the Report

To inform the community about the role of the Local Youth Network, (LYN) update the community about the work of the Local Youth Network (and to ask Councillors to consider the following grant and procurement applications.)

Recommendation

Members are asked to

1. Note progress to date
2. Decide on funding applications as laid out .

Royal Wootton Bassett & Lyneham LYN

This has been operational since October 2014. Questionnaires have been sent out, a wider LYN event has been held and the evidence gathered has being analysed. Two Pilot schemes were run in Royal Wootton Bassett and the March Area Board agreed funding for an additional 12 months and for a 12 month youth project in Lyneham. Greensquare Housing Assoc have since committed to some financial support for the two RWB projects.

The Monday After school cafe is growing in popularity and the Friday youth group has attendances of 40+.

The Wednesday Lyneham group started on 15th April

CLrs Allison Bucknell & Mary Champion sit on this LYN

Cricklade LYN

Questionnaires highlighted numerous projects including an after school cafe session. Meeting of adults and young people to be held on 19/5 to discuss the way forward. Short projects for gym use, parkour, climbing wall, self defence and an intergenerational working group are in early progress requiring young people to commit to and submit a funding bid.

Purton are forming their own youth council, and this will link into the wider LYN and have the opportunity to submit bids for funding. It is hoped that the community cafe will provide an after school session for young people.

General Update

The questionnaire is ongoing and we are still gathering completed ones from different sources.

In all areas, there is a demand for sport, social time, art, parkour and self defence.

Working with other agencies and young people in RWB around the rise in Anti social behaviour and drug use.

Youth Provision Update

An analysis has been done of provision by existing organisations in the area. This can be found on www.sparksite.co.uk/

Funding for activities that satisfy the needs identified within our area can be via grant or procurement. We will only fund NEW activities that have some form of additional funding or contributions from other bodies, volunteer time, free premises etc.

Activities provided through the Area Board

See Appendix B for current provision

New Requests – None for this meeting.

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Details of the requests can be found in Appendix C

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Background

In 2014, Wiltshire Council changed the way it delivers youth development and devolved a budget to Area Boards to enable the localised provision of positive activities. Each community area should have one or more Locality Youth Networks (LYN) who oversee the provision of these activities.

What are Positive Activities?

A positive activity can be any educational or recreational leisure-time activity which helps young people to achieve healthy and safe lifestyle outcomes.

Positive activities are for young people aged 13-19 (up to 25 years of age for young people with special educational needs and/or disabilities) and may include activities and support which:

- Helps young people connect with their communities, enabling them to belong and contribute to society e.g. through volunteering
- Provides opportunities for young people to take part in a range of sports, arts, music and other activities where they can socialise safely with their peers and develop relationships, including with adults they can trust
- Encourage young people's personal and social development
- Improve young people's physical and mental health and emotional well-being
- Help young people to achieve in education, work or training
- Prevent and divert young people away from risky behaviours e.g. teenage pregnancy, substance misuse and involvement in crime and anti-social behaviour

What is a Locality Youth Network?

A Locality Youth Network (LYN) is a sub group of the Community Area Board. It represents a wide range of community stakeholders who work in partnership to facilitate a range of positive activities across the community area. Young people play a central role in all aspects of the LYN. Locality Youth Networks identify local needs, priorities and outcomes and make evidence based recommendations to the Area Board on how funding for positive activities for young people should be deployed.

The Area Board holds the budget and Area Board members make the final decision on whether or not to grant funding.

The Royal Wootton Bassett & Cricklade Area Board has two LYNs

- Royal Wootton Bassett & Lyneham
- Cricklade & Purton

Appendix B – Activities funded through Area Board

Project details	Where	Amount of funding	Grant or procurement	Number of and ages of young people expected to take part	Other Resources brought into the community eg volunteers or funding	Date Started	Status
Friday Night Project	RWB		Grant				
Monday after school club	RWB		Grant				

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