

Royal Wootton Bassett Local Youth Network

for and with our young people

April - May 2018

The Royal Wootton Bassett Local Youth Network has continued the pace of its work in both:

1. Further developing its committee and work.
2. Paving the way to obtain greater understanding of the needs of our young people.

The RWB LYN Committee is developing its understanding of the needs of local young people, in order to shape future provision. This is being achieved via the following means including:

- Desk based research - conducted and presented back to the committee.
- Verbatim comments gathered – ongoing.
- Survey to be conducted – research requirements now agreed. Questions are being drafted and reviewed.

Following the last Area Board Meeting the committee gained the following pieces of understanding:

1. There is a need for provision around Music, Arts and Drama in Royal Wootton Bassett, for which a suitable Music, Arts and Drama champion has been appointed to the Management Committee Meeting.
2. CMAS who run the Youth Group for 13-18s in Royal Wootton Bassett, have secured funding until October 2018.

From Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council, the RWB LYN Committee now understand that:

- The Royal Wootton Bassett Neighbourhood Plan (NHP) has passed its referendum on 19th April.
- The NHP contains policies surrounding provision which could benefit our young people, including Skate Park, School Places and Community Facilities.

The Management Committee, were saddened to learn of the proposed closures to the two outdoor centres Braeside & Oxenwood in Autumn 2018, due to £1.4mn funding gap at Wiltshire County Council.

The Management Committee, would like to thank Wiltshire County Council, Royal Wootton Bassett Town Council, all the stakeholders, young people and CMAS for their very much valued support to date.