

Minutes of the Wotton-under-Edge Youth Liaison Group AGM

Tuesday October 2nd 2012

Present

Andy Murray [representing Peter Glead] Stroud District Council Neighbourhood Wardens, Rev. Rob Axford Churches Together in Wotton, St. Mary's Church, Cllr Jackie Cartigny Wotton Town Council, Jess Jenkins Youth Worker, Mark Lovell Treasurer and acting Chair WYLG, Cllr John Cordwell, Cllr June Cordwell, Steve Miles Stroud District Council Youth Participation Officer, Jessica Fisher Wotton Youth Forum, Lynne Harris Secretary WYLG

[1] Apologies

Peter Wilson Stroud District Council Neighbourhood Wardens, Peter Glead Stroud District Council Neighbourhood Wardens, Mary Hutton Churches Together in Wotton, Rev Tom Wharin Churches Together in Wotton, Wotton Baptist Church, Ken Tucker Wotton Scouts.

[2] Minutes of the AGM of September 20th 2011

These minutes were agreed as a correct record.

[3]Matters arising from the minutes

It was noted that some of the organisations listed on the Committee had been unable to send members to this meeting. Attendance at the monthly group meetings has also been reduced. The Secretary was requested to contact member organisation of the Committee to ask if they could send alternative representatives to the meetings the WYLG as required.

Action: Lynne to write to the member organisations to clarify this matter.

[4] Chair and Treasurer's Report

A copy of this is attached to these minutes.

The Chair was thanked for this report which is an excellent record of the considerable amount of work which has been accomplished by the WYLG in the year 2011-2012. The new youth centre will open in November 2012 which is a great achievement

A copy of the end of year accounts is attached to these minutes

The Treasurer presented the accounts to demonstrate that currently the WYLG are in a relatively secure position to fund activities in the current year until the summer of 2013, if all the funding applied for is granted. But, the WYLG will need to continue fundraising to ensure that the youth work programme offered to the young people of the Wotton area is sustainable.

The WYLG wished to record their thanks to Wotton Town Council for its support over the last 12 months for the provision of detached youth work in the town and surrounding area after the youth centre closed in April 2011. They also wished to thank the Town Council for their contribution to the South of Stroud Youth Partnership, which will fund 2 sessions of youth work in Wotton each week along with the maintenance of the new youth centre building.

Cllr June Cordwell proposed a vote of thanks to the Treasurer for all his work during the last year. This was seconded by Lynne Harris and agreed by all members of the meeting.

[5] Election of Officers

The current officers were willing to continue their duties for the year 2012-2013.

The situation of the current acting Chair also being the Treasurer was discussed. Efforts to find another Chair have been unsuccessful so it was suggested that the WYLG will approach The Gloucestershire Association of Voluntary and Community Action [GAVCA] to seek advice on recruitment to either the post of Chair or Treasurer.

The AGM was followed by an ordinary group meeting .