



Wotton Youth Partnership Agenda

Tuesday 19th June 2018, Civic Centre 7.30pm

Charity No. 289185

Present: June Cordwell, Jess Jenkins, Terry Luker, Chris Young, Paul Barton, Henrietta Goodall, George Butcher, Jemma Grieve, Sharron Bates

1. Apologies: Sarah Watt, Pat Comer, Catherine Braun, Karen Dover, Richard Hale, Ken Tucker, Moira Buist
2. Minutes of the meeting held on 17th April 2018. Please note, Outreach is on Mondays, not Thursdays. Minutes approved.
3. Actions from last meeting.
 - a. OK Path lighting hedge is owned by the farmer, Mr Perrett, who is responsible for trimming the hedge. It is not the Town council's responsibility. The path needs lighting all the way down to KLB School, not just the top half. A quote from Weston Power Distribution for the top half of the path only has been obtained for £52,908.44 for laying cables, etc, and up to £70,000 in total which includes 10 lighting columns on Wotton Road. To do the whole path to KLB would be £100,000+.
 - b. Bearlands Play Area opening - cancelled again. No new date has yet been set.
4. Treasurer's report:

Jan to May: restricted. £8701.66. unrestricted £3430.9. The total at the bank is £12,132.58. As the total is over £10,000, it has to be audited by November. June to investigate. The Audit has to be sent to the Recreational Trust as well.

 - a. A cheque for the football kit for £406.80 has been sent. The kit includes 16 shirts, shorts, socks and a goalie's outfit.



5. Activity in the town

- a. Activity is mainly low key and mainly theft. The new PCSO, Hazel Walkley, is working with PC Paul Matthews in Wotton.
- b. The defibrillators - Lions are raising money for 4 defibrillators around the town, with 1 in the Chipping.
- c. Swimming pool - the management has obtained a £51,000 grant to tile the pool so it doesn't have to be repainted each year. Also there is £31,000 to refurbish the changing rooms. The solar panels on the changing rooms have made a huge difference - the heat has increased by 4 degrees. There are more schools doing junior swimming courses. There are more Life guards since the start of university holidays, and they are being quite well paid. Sports England being very generous at present. 2 new steps are to be put in for disabled, elderly and mothers with children.

6. Lighting for OK footpath - see above: point 2a

7. Correspondence

June read out a Thank you letter from Wotton Rovers for kit for under 12s team.

8. Publicity

- a. There have been pictures and information on the Wotton Rovers Under 12s new kit in the Gazette, the Wotton Times social media and websites.
- b. Publicity going well. Perhaps we should have a picture in the Gazette and the Wotton times so that people in Wotton can know more about what the group does and achieves, what groups are involved and who the members are.

9. Funding bids



a. Heritage Project update: Paul - good recording with John Grimes. Kim is trying to get another recording done before the end of term. She wrote to John Grimes to say how pleased she was with what she had already recorded, but needed to progress beyond the 1950s.

b. Mental Health:

- i. Jess reported that there were various paint colours (teal and pinks), chairs and a rug which have all been chosen by the young people for the Wotton Youth Centre.
- ii. The Youth Centre is open for Monday sessions based on mental health, talking about various things like stress, looking to the future, jobs or recommending apps, also informative displays on subjects like food or sleep.

c. BMX track/ Sensory garden/ Party in the Park

- i. BMX track is now in operation. The Grand Opening is in August with a demo team from Bristol. See attachment.
- ii. Party in the park: has raised £6000+. This will go towards sinking fund for Astroturfs.
- iii. Sensory garden - on hold at present. BMX track people have offered to put in the garden at a good price.
- iv. Next project - car parking.

10. Youth Forum Jemma/Steve. Youth Centre and outreach reports

- a. There is lots going on in the Youth forum: most young people are doing exams, driving tests, etc. Current students who are leaving school are preparing to hand over their responsibilities. On Wed 4th, Thurs 5th and Fri 6th July, Jemma will be running assemblies in KLB to raise new recruits as well as elsewhere.
- b. There is some music in the sub rooms for 13 - 17 Year olds, Now That's What We call Stroud. There will be 5 bands. Tickets £5.50.



- c. District youth council has had elections: Amy and Jonty are the new chairman and vice chairman; both are from Wotton. They have set up the focus groups again with the following areas of focus: health and wealth being, local democracy, and bullying.
- d. 1st July in Museum in the Park - event on local democracy. George Butcher is going to talk on being a district councillor for part of Local Democracy Week.
- e. 1st newsletter for the Youth Forum went out recently - it will go out every 2 months. Sharron asked if it could come to KLB.
- f. A good way to recruit is through DofE in KLB. Jemma is to follow that idea up.

11. Reports from other youth providers and summer activities

- a. The old Music room is now empty, the damaged sofa has gone and they are waiting for new items to come.
- b. No one to report from the Door
- c. Sharron Bates reported that there are some projects like the Gifted and Talented group or Impact Tutoring (Wayne Cockrum) which helps young people with who difficulties, and there are also some football projects. It is quite expensive for groups trying to set up a new project for the summer, especially if only a few people join up for the project, as it costs £70 a day to pay the staff who have to open up and be available during the day.
- d. In the evenings - there is a gym from 3.00 to 5.00 for £15 a term which allows young people to use the gym. It is good because the young people are in mixed aged range groups which means they make new contacts and the groups become close. Councillor John Cordwell has money from his County Community fund to offer financial help. Sharron will contact him.
- e. There is an Activity camp at the British School for the younger age group. It is going well and is busy.



Scouts and Guides

Please see attachment from Ken Tucker.

12.AOB

- a. Paul asks if there is any grant available as Synwell playing fields want more benches. It was suggested that he try the Coop Community project, or ask Councillor John Cordwell, as it is a Community project.
- b. Jemma is promoting LGBTQ in the Cam area for 13 to 18 year olds. There are 3 events being held on 21st July, 18th August and 15th September.

The meeting finished at 9.00pm

Dates for following meetings: 18th September and 20th November (AGM)