

**Wotton Youth Liaison Group  
Minutes of Committee Meeting  
Tuesday January 27<sup>th</sup> 2015  
Civic Centre 7:30pm**

Present: Phil Sullivan, June Cordwell, Sarah Watt, Ken Tucker, Claire Galbraith, Paul Hemming, Jess Jenkins, Katie Elliott

**1. Apologies:** Rob Axford, Sharron Bates, Steve Miles, Simon Gillings

**2. Minutes of the meeting** of November 4<sup>th</sup> 2014 and matters arising:

2.1 Amendments – 3.4 from last minutes “Young People (YP) to speak at Town Council meeting” should read “Katie to co-ordinate” not Jess.

Katie Elliott is correct spelling. Minutes were then approved and signed.

2.2 Matters arising: June reported that the project with the Over 60s Club is progressing and solicitors fees will be £1,300.

**3. Membership of the group** – Phil

ACTION - Sarah to send to everyone on the mailing list to ask if they are still interested in either a) being on the committee or b) receiving the minutes.

Roger Wyse and Mark Lovell no longer wish to be included. All members should attend at least 1 in 3 meetings over the year. Blue Coat, British, KLBS, police, wardens, Steve Miles and Simon Gillings should still be included.

**4. Funding bids** – Phil

We have received £1,000 from the Sherriff’s Fund and £750 from the GCC Active Together fund. Magnox could be £3,000 a year for 3 years, but we need a project. ACTION – Phil/Jess to speak to Simon.

PCC is coming live again soon.

ACTION – Sarah to forward County list and PCC application email to all on committee.

£5,000 from SDC has been confirmed.

Foyles Funding is for Training for Young People

Also look at Glos Community main grant, Renishaw charity fund, the Freemasons (Katie), the Lions (Katie), and Youth Voice funding.

1. Who will do the funding bids?
2. Who to ask for funds?
3. What are we bidding for?

**5. Financial Report** – Katie

See item 4.

**6. Youth Forum, Youth Club and Outreach update** – Jess

Stall at Christmas market raised around £120, half to go to Youth Liaison and half to Skate Park.

Sarah thanked Jess on behalf of WCSF.

The counseling work from Infobuz and drop-in centres, and Art Therapy continue to work well.

Jess continues to work with Katie, the Police, Ben and Pete, North Nibley and the Youth Forum (YF).

At the open sessions on Thursdays there are regularly 40 young people and they prefer the drop-in sessions.

There may be a new session beginning on Fridays and YF are fundraising for the skate park and path.

There is a project with Charlotte from SDC and the garden in front of the YC is being worked on.

Katie and her young people are planning to meet with YF and youth club.

The Synwell outreach never got off the ground, but YP plan to have a stall at the Medieval Market on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> or Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June. See Janet Walshe.  
PCSO Ben is holding a regular surgery at KLBS

## **7. Activity in the Town – Ben/Pete**

Pete by email - Activity in the town, as far as antisocial behaviour is concerned, is pretty quiet at the moment. No reported incidents in recent weeks.

June – the garage in Symn Lane has now been sold and the mobile CCTV is in Symn Lane/Bluecoat entrance.

## **8. Skate park - Sarah**

Wheelscape have begun the build and handover date will be early March. We are advancing with our plans for the path to give safe access to our site.

## **9. AOB**

9.1 Wott-on (to be a standing point on agenda in future) - Katie

There is to be a charity event on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> February from 11.30-3.30 in aid of the Bristol Children's Hospital, an ME charity and local youth work. There will be a café, dance workshops and busking amongst many other things.

9.2 Paul – ACTION – all to look at WYLG website, community website, chamber of trade website and see what is there and what we could do better.

9.3 Claire and June – from Sue Bailey – bins in front of YC to be upgraded.

Jess to do an initial office clearance with Simon, anything suitable to be offered to other groups in town or got rid of – ACTION – June to ask Sue to organise.

Electronic YC booking system in hand for all town spaces and resources. To see if places are free, email or phone WTC.

The parking sign has been re-instated, and the contracts are now all finalised and signed. Please let Sue Bailey know if any other matters need dealing with.

Jess will continue to ensure that the lights are not left on outside the youth club.

£5,000 – there is a proposal from Simon to give the money to Youth and Community Services for a project on youth work.

SOSYP – Dursley is leaving SOSYP group – can anyone else join? Steve Robinson and Tracey from Nailsworth gave a talk – their town is very supportive of youth work.

Jess left the room and there followed a discussion on youth provision in Wotton.

Outcome – WYLG feel that it would be best to go with Youth and Community Services.

9.4 Phil - Curry night to be held in Oct/Nov this year and every member of the committee to be asked to sell between 5 and 10 tickets. We must address the problem of working in the kitchen.

9.5 Phil – Doing a sponsored walk along Offa's Dyke in May – 174 miles in 10 days and committee are asked to seek sponsors, use the Just Giving website and use Gift Aid.

9.6 Browns Piece – Is there a hangout place there where the rubbish is collecting? ACTION Katie to contact WTC

Date of next meeting Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2015 – Paul gave his apologies for this meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.