

Wotton Youth Liaison Group AGM - December 6th, 2016

Chair's report

1. The early part of year was spent tidying up grants and monitoring reports. As a result of this we decided to take a new approach to grant applications - from now on we will only apply for funding where there is someone volunteering to project manage and take personal responsibility for ensuring that the work / monitoring is done appropriately.
2. Received and used a grant from Children's Activity Fund to pay for summer activities at Sport Wotton. Thanks to Sam Failes and Sharron Bates for their work on making the two weeks happen and to John Cordwell for helping us to access the funding.
3. Put together a Summer Programme outlining activities available to young people and families in the area which featured many local youth groups. We arranged for this to be distributed to 2500 local households. Huge thanks to Moira Buist for all her help in designing and preparing the programme for print and to Ken Tucker for help in organising distribution.
4. Assisted with the funding of new shelter at Wotton PARC (thanks to grant from High Sheriff of Gloucestershire's Fund and contribution from WYLG). Thanks to Sarah Watt and WCSF for their help in making this possible.
5. Provided financial support for ongoing youth work at the newly expanded Youth and Community Centre (£422 towards Friday Youth Cafe run by The Door). Thanks to Sue Bailey for all her help.
6. Gave a contribution towards residential to train young volunteers (£1.2 from SDYC, £950 us). Thanks to Simon Gillings and Jess Jenkins at Y&CS for organising and running this.
7. Heritage project - we now have all the necessary equipment. Thanks to Paul Barton and Terry Luker for setting up the project. WYLG is very grateful to Jeff Walshe for taking on project management and moving things forward.
8. We now have a Youth Wotton Facebook page with people from different youth groups / organisations working together as admins to promote and share information.
9. UTEA graffiti project took place in October half term, supported in part by funding from WYLG - thanks to Ali Lidbetter for making this happen.
10. Mental Health Champion town. Thanks to Jess, Simon, Steve, June in particular for work on this - especially June for successful application to Recreational Trust.
11. As always, huge thanks and appreciation to Sarah Watt for all her fantastic work as Secretary of WYLG. None of this would be possible without her help.
12. General thanks to the committee and all those who have supported the work of WYLG over the past year. Sincere apologies to anyone not mentioned who should have been!

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