

EXTRA ORDINARY MEETING OF THE JOINT PARISHES YOUTH COMMITTEE

AT THE STEYNING CENTRE

On Wednesday 21st June 2023 AT 6.30 p.m.

Members in attendance – Cllrs Simon Alexander, Alan Chilver, Sarah Linfield, Fred Heaver and Helen Bayford.

Stephen Keough (Clerk to Upper Beeding) Sheri Birch, Jo Bell and Marc Tooth from SCYP

Clerk in attendance - John Fullbrook & Hazel Roxby

Members of Public in attendance. None

MINUTES

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

- 1.1** There were apologies for absence from Chris Cook (SCYP)

2. QUESTIONS FROM THE FLOOR.

- 2.1** None

3. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

- 3.1** Cllr Simon Alexander **proposed, seconded** by Cllr Alan Chilver to accept the minutes of the meeting held on the 15th February 2023 as a true and fair record of the meeting. **Agreed.**

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

- 4.1** Cllr Simon Alexander to explore further groups in the local area to populate the booklet for the website and bring back to next committee – **Ongoing**

5. CURRENT YOUTH SERVICE OPERATION OVERVIEW –

- 5.1 To discuss how the youth service has been operating over the Spring period and update on the plans for the Summer Term.**

The 14 plus drop In session at the Cuthman Centre has a core group of 8 youths attending regularly. They are really enjoying the sessions and are passing the word around to get their friends to attend as well.

However there are still issues with the school leaving documents laying around and teachers coming out to tell the youths off for making too much noise and this is becoming a problem for the youths. Sheri requested if it would be possible to ask the Leisure Centre if there is a Thursday evening available or some extra time on the Monday evening and move the Thursday group to a Monday evening as it would be much better for the youths.

The Upper Beeding sessions are going really well there are a lot of new youths starting as well.

- 5.2 Update on the use of Steyning Leisure Centre since April 23**

The use of the Leisure Centre has been working out really good, the staff at the Leisure have been extremely helpful and kind and the sessions are going well.

Sheri informed that she has attended 2 patrols with Carol Boniface following on from the meeting

concerning the anti-social behaviour that has been happening in the High Street. On both occasions there were anti-social activities happening.

- 6. TO RECEIVE YOUTH SERVICE PROVIDERS ORGANISATIONAL TERMLY AND FINANCE REPORTS (Supp. papers)**
Jo Bell reported that the Sussex Clubs for Young People are experiencing some troubling issues and read out a confidential statement from Chris Cook explaining the issues.
The committee spent a great length of time discussing the issues and agreed that it would need to gather further information from Sussex Clubs for Young People and other sources and report back to an Extraordinary Meeting to be called on 6th July if possible.
- 7. MOU 2023/24 (Supporting Paper)** - To discuss and agree to recommend to each partner Council the MOU for 2023-24.
- 7.1** This item was deferred.

8 A.O.B / CORRESPONDENCE / INFORMATION

8.1 None for this meeting

- 9 DATE OF NEXT MEETING. – EOM on 6th July if the Steyning Centre is free. The Committee to be informed of the date as soon as possible.**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.14pm