Chairman of Youth Provision Partnership: Cllr L Ricketts

Clerk: Katrina Baker MBE

YOUTH PROVISION PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of the meeting held via Zoom on Monday 28th September 2020 at 7.00pm

PRESENT: Cllr L Ricketts (Chairman)

Cllr Vaughan-Hodkinson

Cllr S Unwin Cllr V Holt Cllr S Snell

Jayne Stevens, PODs Simon Buckley-Robins

Cllr E Dalby

Mark Taylor (from YPP20/026)

In Attendance: Katrina Baker (Clerk)

YPP20/021 Welcome & Introductions

The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked members for attending. Cllr Ricketts welcomed guests in relation to the SNAC project.

YPP20/022 Apologies

Elayne, PODs Samantha Ives, TWC

YPP20/023 Declarations of Interest

Mark Taylor - Mark Taylor Support Limited (user of SNAC building)

YPP20/024 Minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2020

It was proposed by Councillor Vaughan-Hodkinson and seconded by Councillor Snell that the Minutes be accepted as a true record and will be signed by the Chairman. All were in favour and thus it was

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the 6th July 2020 be signed as a true record of the meeting.

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Matters Arising

None

Mark Taylor arrived

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YPP20/026 Wednesday Wizards

Unfortunately, due to the restrictions, Wizards has not re-opened. Whilst this is unfortunate, it is essential that we ensure the safety and well being of the young people.

The Parish Council is in discussions with TWC Youth Services regarding opportunities to be able to provide a weekly session for 11 year olds and upwards. This will be in addition to the Wednesday session which is for young people up to the age of 11.

Enhanced partnerships with TCAT, TWC, secondary schools and other training providers such as Landau, will assist in supporting the health and well being of young people. It has been established that there are differing needs for students and NEETs, and it was surprising to hear of the number in our Parish that would benefit from some external support. Emotional support may also be appreciated and it was agreed that we could invite a representative from Cruise to attend a meeting and offer an insight into the needs of young people at this difficult time. The Parish Council would like to help and support the young people, their families and friends, focusing on the more vulnerable wherever possible.

YPP20/027 SNAC@HARP

During this difficult period, we have been able to continue to provide a venue for support and respite care. This has been much appreciated by many families and we are grateful to TWC and Mark Taylor Support for their help in this provision.

Mark Taylor thanked the Parish Council for the opportunity to use the SNAC building which has enabled them to provide a safe and controllable venue for families with complex needs. The building is ideal and it is good to have such a facility where positive relationships can be fostered and encouraged.

The balance in the SNAC@HARP accounts is currently around £6000. The only income since March has been from Twincl and this has funded the provision of the Container outside of the Pavilion Building.

TWC continues to support the refurbishment of the building and has recently assisted with the disabled access ramp and outdoor lighting.

We are working towards offering life skills, with home economics, arts and crafts – these can be provided with social distancing in place and within the current rules.

We are exploring options regarding the soft play equipment, currently stored in the container.

YPP20/028 PLAY PROVISION

Although funding is limited, the Parish Council is keen to continue with its plan for the redundant play areas within the Estates. A programme is to be created to bring the areas back to life, in varied forms, offering health and well being opportunities outdoors in the fresh air, but close to home. Play equipment, seating, floor play and design, planters etc. are all ideas under consideration. We are considering a variety of 'creative spaces' around the Parish and we have offered two plots at the allotments for special needs activities. The benefits of being able to grow flowers and vegetables are plenty.

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We will investigate the opportunity to create benches, planters etc. – working with training providers. There may also be the opportunity to work with secondary schools.

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OTHER MATTERS

The Chairman updated Members of the Committee that his company are interested in the SNAC provision and he will be arranging a visit for representatives of his company to visit SNAC as soon as arrangements can be made.

Cllr Ricketts is keen to be able to discuss the benefits of the project with any companies that feel they may be able to support SNAC in any way.

Mark Taylor Support Limited is keen to support local groups and to work with businesses and partners supporting the wider community in a co-operative manner.

The grant application, for funding to assist both SNAC and the Parish Council in its aims to support young people in a variety of ways, has moved to the second stage. TWC has acted as a reference in the application.

YPP20/030 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

A meeting will be arranged when more details of the current projects are available.

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Funding

It was agreed that other funding avenues would be investigated and that applications would focus on children and young people, whilst working with partners.

Details of a Government Plan for training for 14 – 19 year olds have been announced. It may be that this would support our Strategy regarding NEETs, SNAC and support for Young Mums.

YPP20/020 Future Meetings

Regular meetings will be added to the Meeting Schedule to be agreed at Full Council. The next meeting will invite partner representatives to join.

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