#### **Hollinswood and Randlay Parish Council**

Chairman of Youth Provision Partnership: Cllr L Ricketts

Clerk: Katrina Baker MBE

#### YOUTH PROVISION PARTNERSHIP

Minutes of the meeting of the Partnership held via Zoom on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> July 2010 at 7.00p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr L Ricketts (Chairman)

Cllr Vaughan-Hodkinson

Cllr S Unwin Cllr S Snell

In Attendance: Katrina Baker (Clerk)

## YPP20/013 Welcome & Introductions

The Chairman opened the meeting and thanked members for attending. At the recent Finance & Audit Committee it had been agreed to hold a meeting of each Committee / Partnership in preparation for September, when it is hoped that the community buildings will be brought back into use by a range of user groups and that we can commence our work, with our partners, to provide and enhance facilities and events for the young people of the Parish.

## YPP20/014 Apologies

Cllr V Holt

#### YPP20/015 Declarations of Interest

None

#### YPP20/016 Wednesday Wizards

A copy of the report had been circulated and was welcomed. Members were keen to hear the proposed plans for re-opening and this would also address any concerns regarding the numbers attending any one session and the ratio of volunteer staff.

The holiday club idea was supported, and if it is possible to work with partner organisations, such as TWC, Portal Kids, Members felt this would be a real benefit.

As soon as it is possible, adverts for volunteer youth leaders would be created and shared.

Members are hopeful that the recent grant application, if successful, will provide additional staff to bring forward more formal group leadership and to incorporate other aspects of the Parish Strategy, in particular the work of SNAC.

#### YPP20/017 SNAC@HARP

During this difficult 'lock down' period, families have appreciated and benefitted from the use of the Centre, based at The Pavilion. This is proving to be a unique venue, able to support youth and specialist needs of local families and visitors.

We are very grateful to TWC for the assistance in improving and enhancing the building and facilities which now has a disabled access ramp to the SNAC room.

When working with partners such as Shining Stars and PODS, SNAC@HARP will be able to offer support and facilities in groups, sessions or on a one-to-one.

We are already working with Southwood Hub, supporting adults with learning difficulties and disabilities. Many disabilities are hidden and our centre will be able to provide a venue for clubs and activities,

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supporting people and their families and friends to be involved in appropriate, exciting and essential activities.

The options of working with other groups, such as Scout Groups and Guide Groups, are welcomed and this could be an exciting way of bringing people, with similar interests, together regardless of any disability they have experience.

## YPP20/018 Play Provision

The Government Guidance is changing and currently TWC has not re-opened the play areas at Randlay or Hollinswood. However, we do believe that they will in the near future and we must, at that time, support TWC in its aim to keep people safe, with introducing relevant guidance regarding health and safety and social distancing, in particular.

A copy of the proposed new signs was made available.

It will be difficult, as it has already been shown, for the police to police and monitor the areas and therefore the responsibility for the health and safety of the young people is with them and their parents. Details of suggested social distancing rules, one way systems and cleaning regimes have been made available.

It is unfortunate that many of the smaller localised play areas were removed by TWC as part of their Play Strategy, but in these difficult times, they would be ideal for children to be able to enjoy outdoor recreation near to their own homes.

It is the wish of this Parish Council to bring some of these 'back into use'. Whilst equipment might not be possible and affordable, safe surfaces with floor games can be achieved.

It was agreed that a plan be put together, with relevant costings, so that the Parish Council can apply for relevant grants. It was pleasing to hear that the Chairman, has nominated this project to receive funds from the Chairman's Charity 2020/21.

#### YPP20/19 Other Business

#### **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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