Outer North West Area Committee

Children & Young People Sub Group



8th November 2013 Meeting 10.00 am Brownlee Stone Centre

Present:

Cllr P Latty (Chair),
Cllr Fox, Cllr F
Cllr Collins, Cllr C
Ian Jones - Youth Services, IG
Simon Toyne Aireborough Extended Services ST
Katherine Robertshaw Activities Coordinator Airebrough & Otley KR
Lee Henry - Sports Development LH
Sally Coe Out of Hours Activities Team, SC
Rachel Marshall AST RM
Jo Galasso - Aireborough Summer Activities

Apologies:

Cllr Downes, Inspector Coldwell

Key Issues discussed:

- Introduction and Apologies
 Cllr Latty welcomed everyone to the meeting and introductions were made
- Matters arising None.

3. Aireborough Summer Activities

Jo was present to give feedback on the Aireborough summer Activity scheme following a successful bid for Wellbeing funding from the ONW Area Committee earlier this year. She provided the sub group with a report detailing activities that had taken place so far and numbers of children attending. An electronic copy will be circulated with the minutes. The scheme supports children aged 4 - 19 with moderate to severe additional needs and admittance to the scheme is dependent upon a home assessment of the child's needs and family situation. It is advertised through Green Meadows in Guiseley SILCs. Jo explained activities seek to improve social and developmental skills of the children attending and provide respite for the families.

Next year the scheme is estimated to cost £45,000 to operate.

It is hoped that a grant of £10,500 will be forthcoming from Scope

£6,000 is anticipated from parental contributions

That leaves a remainder of around £28,500 still to be found. Jo is hoping to approach the ONW Area Committee again in 2014/15 for a funding contribution towards the scheme. LH to speak to Ross Bibby Disability Sports Officer regarding ensuring he was properly linked in with the work Jo is doing.

ST remarked upon how impressed he was with the scheme and had been unaware of the extent of the project.

JG left following this item.

4. Youth Activity Fund discussion

RM then outlined a proposal to consider a commissioning round for the remainder of the Youth Activity Fund currently £20,000. The money could be advertised by way of a flyer and sent out to all clusters, Town and Parish councils, Members as well as the Breeze Culture Network. Members of the sub group discussed the option and the draft flyer and agreed the proposal.

After amendments had been made to the flyer it would be sent out today and 2 weeks will be allowed for applications to be received.

A decision making panel of the Children & Young Peoples sub group plus other appropriate officers as agreed by the sub group would be held on Friday 29th November to consider the applications and make recommendations for the next ONW Area Committee on the 9th December.

A further decision was agreed to open up the panel to any members of the ONW Area Committee who would like to attend to be part of the discussions.

It was also agreed that Vicky Marsden from the Youth Offer team would form part of the decision making panel on the 29th as IJ is on leave. Sally Coe unfortunately had another meeting and was unable to attend.

A discussion was then held regarding consultation with young people. The sub group was keen to ensure that young people were at the heart of decisions made about how the money was spent in ONW. A proposal was made that KR contact young people from the Aireborough and Otley High schools to form a separate panel to consider the applications. KR to arrange this for Tuesday 26th November at Benton Park school. Vicky Marsden would also attend this meeting to facilitate discussions. RM is to make arrangements for a scoring matrix and copies of the applications to be available for the meeting.

KR will make arrangements for transporting the young people to the meeting. Tessa Freer from Horsforth cluster will also be asked to look at a couple of young people from Horsforth to attend the session. RM to confirm this.

It was agreed that further discussions on young peoples involvement in the YAF would need to be held to agree how the consultation carried out this year could be built on.

ST commented that the Youth Forum he had organised last year saw that young people in Aireborough would like to see more innovative schemes coming forward.

5. Date of Next Meeting

29th November to discuss the Youth Activity applications

Actions:

- 1. RM to confirm arrangements for the decision making panel. Venue and times to be confirmed with the sub group Chair and all ONW Members
- 2. IJ to confirm arrangements with Vicky Marsden
- 3. RM to alter the draft flyer and send out today.
- 4. RM will draw up a cost matrix to aid decision making and attend both meetings to make a note of decisions to form a report to go forward to the 9th December Area Committee.
- 5. KR to confirm arrangements for the youth panel with RM and the Chair.