

**Minutes of the meeting held at the
Woodhouse Library, Skelton Lane, Woodhouse,
Facilitated by the Woodhouse & District Community Forum
Thursday 21st July 2016**

Attendees

Howard Constable (Chair), Alan Charlesworth, Kathryn Taylor, Liz Turton, Graham Postello, Joan Longstone-Hull, Maurice Birch, Jim Turton, Jack Taylor, Peter Wolstenholme, Andrew Watson (Salvation Army), Judith Taylor, Lynn Woodhead, Anne Kennedy, Pauline Outram, Rosie Oxley, Margaret & Peter Doncaster, Cllr Mick Rooney, Cllr Paul Wood, Chris Gibson (PCSO), David Peers (St. Anne's Hostel), Richard Pearson, Richard Wilson, Dorothy Hamilton, Michael Gilvarry, Sandra Gilvarry, Emma Wells (Drink Wise, Age Well)

Apologies: Cllr Jackie Satur, Ray Satur MBE, Mike Peat

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Minutes of last meeting & matters arising

Minutes agreed and no matters arising.

3. Guest Speaker 1; Emma Wells (Drink Wise, Age Well)

Emma discussed the issues around alcohol consumption and linked with health and wellbeing. Emma distributed leaflets.

Guest Speaker 2; David Peers (St. Anne's Hostel)

Measures have been put in place to combat the issues brought up at the last meeting and to show that the staff and management at the hostel take these problems seriously.

Drug dealing is an issue - regular patrols in place.

3 clients given notice to quit. (Immediate notice or 3 days)

House 66 men at any given time less than half have alcohol or drugs problems.

Owners/managers insist on no alcohol on the premises but the attendees of the meeting suggested that this would not help and would create an issue in the community.

David to go to Area Manager to request a designated drinking area - Cllr Mick Rooney offered his support and to speak to the owners about this.

Cllr Rooney meeting Inspector Jason Booth and Housing re anti-social/mental health issues. Would like to see the DPPO extended to include Beighton Road.

Please email david.peers@st-annes.org.uk with any queries or problems you have in relation to St. Anne's Hostel.

4. Updates - South Yorkshire Police

- PCSO Chris Gibson introduced himself
- 1 or 2 reported break ins of sheds where powertools have been targeted.

- Also transit vans are targeted.
- Drinking - 4 in Woodhouse centre where the alcohol was taken off them.
- Facebook - South Yorkshire Police SE LPT
- The police presence in the village has made a difference during the evenings.
- Tannery Park - stabbing and wild dog - arrest made.
- Issue with 101 service - not quick enough especially when reporting motorbikes.

Andrew Watson (Salvation Army) Report

- 3 Youth clubs with good attendance.
- Preparing for the winter activities.
- Summer holiday transition week at City School for vulnerable children.
- Keeping 13+ Youth Club through the summer. Sheffield Futures stepped in after the programme run by Activity Sheffield was cut.
- Detached work in the MUGA
- Restarting projects in September.
- Howard expressed his thanks on behalf of the Forum.

Neighbourhood Watch

- Graham brought new booklets for members and purse bells.
- Co-op is sponsoring Neighbourhood Watch Alliance meeting.
- Fly-tipping is not covered by 101 - need to call 2734567.
- No more cocooning - where PCSOs visit neighbouring houses of a break in.
- Crime Stats are published in The Star.
- Replica weapons are being sold.

5. Reports

a) Trustees - Trustees meeting was held prior to this meeting regarding the allotment.

b) Project Development and Learning Champions

- CRC - no information as yet.
- Library under Forum control re day to day running. 21 hours per week run by volunteers who have helped to raise funds by book sales & plant sale.
- Magic memories event - thanks to Joan and Ann for helping with the photos - feedback has been excellent.
- Quality Mark - continuous improvement check; virtually no improvements. Recommended sharing success stories on the website.
- Hope to produce a newsletter with the help of a volunteer, so looking for adverts and stories - please send to mail@mywoodhouse.co.uk.
- Health & wellbeing service was CWP now People keeping well. Facilitated a successful health network meeting to sign up partners and brainstorm issues. Next meeting 8th September - hope drugs and alcohol service will be able to attend.
- Healthy schools initiative - after school event with representatives from organisations to promote dental hygiene, common ailments benefits of eating healthy.
- 2 sessions at the allotment (dig and natter).

- Funding - lottery bid will take some time.
- Learning Champion end of year report (attached).

c) Youth Forum

- Woodhouse Carnival was the best to date and hope to build on this success.
- Christmas market 3rd December - could have reindeer this year.
- Would welcome any help - please contact Jack Taylor 07954383051 or email jack_taylor@hotmail.co.uk
- Looking to promote Youth Drama group in primary schools.
- Summer Carnival 'Fun Day' 17th June 2017.

d) Publicity

- Peter is a volunteer photographer who records activities in the community. He updates the photo cabinets in Woodhouse & Crystal Peaks libraries as well as keeping the local press up to date with activities in the South East. He gave a comprehensive list of publicity activities for May & June.

7. Councillors' Information Session

- Cllr Paul Wood brought the proposed development of the green belt to the attention of the meeting. Friends of Handworth are circulating a petition against the 2,300 houses between Handsworth Rec and Waverley.
- Tannery Lodge Site - kids on the roof of the building.
- Sheffield Road - Normanton Hill - are there cameras? - Cllr Rooney will look into it.

7. A.O.B

- Tannery Park Fun Day - 9th July.
- Fun Day 1st July
- Dog Show "Scruffs" 8th September 5 - 8 pm.

8. Time and date of next meeting:

15th September 2016 at 7pm.



South East Learning Champions

4 Community Learning Champions in the south east of Sheffield covering a large area from Handworth, Woodhouse and Woodhouse Mill to Westfield, Mosborough, Beighton, including Birley, Hackenthorpe and Frecheville.

We link with Community organisations in the area and visit groups in these communities to promote adult learning.

Amongst the organisations we liaise with are Sheffield City Council, the local TARAs, Churches, Schools, Police, Neighbourhood watch, Councillors and WEA. We are also in regular contact with groups not affiliated to any organisation like Friends of Shirtcliffe Wood, Friends of Tannery Park and Friends of Handsworth.

We visit groups to promote the adult learning and the health activities that we provide/facilitate. We can provide activities and courses in the local venues which benefit the participants as they feel safe and secure in the areas that they know and have easy access to.

We run approximately 12 adult learning activities per term across the South East. These activities range from low level engagement and to accredited ICT as well as maths and English. This is a learner led activities which is designed to give the learner the correct Information, Advice and Guidance needed to ensure that they are on the appropriate pathway for their personal journey. We have engaged with over 350 people for the academic year 2015/2016. Most of these attended one or more of the adult learning activities. Where we are unable to provide the appropriate activity, we will signpost to other organisations or groups.

As we have knowledge of our communities we have been able to build up a picture of the availability of services/activities which we are able to use to give those we come into contact with. i.e. Yoga.

Some of our learners come to us to gain qualifications in order to improve their chances of employment. We are proud of the successes each of these learners has achieved from the moment of first contact (IAG) to where their journey takes them.

Many of our learners are elderly or low level learners and their learning journey is for other reasons other than employment or qualification. The social side of taking part in learning is extremely important for many. Their sense of wellbeing and personal achievement is sometimes hard to quantify but is no less important than accreditation. Keeping their mind active and learning new skills as well as making new friends are amongst the top reasons why many join adult learning classes in our area.

We take safeguarding and the welfare of our learners seriously and we are therefore first aid trained and undertake safeguarding training as well as being CRB checked. We give our learners a progression action plan which gives options for where to access more information and a Keep Safe Online business card. This is just an underpinning of what they told in class.

**AN OPEN MEETING OF THE
THE WOODHOUSE & DISTRICT COMMUNITY FORUM
WOODHOUSE LIBRARY, SKELTON LANE
ON THURSDAY 15th SEPTEMBER 2016 AT 7 PM**

AGENDA

1. Welcome, Apologies and Introductions
2. Minutes and Matters Arising of meeting held on
21st July 2016
3. Updates:
 - PCSO's
 - Community Youth Workers – Salvation Army
 - Neighbourhood Watch – Graham Postello
4. Reports:
 - a) Trustees
 - b) Project Development and Learning Champions
 - c) Youth Forum
 - d) Publicity
5. Councillors' Information Session
6. Any Other Business
7. Date and Time of Next Meeting
20th October 2016 at 7pm