

NEWHAVEN LOCAL ACTION TEAM

Minutes of Meeting Held on Monday 4th June 2007 at 2pm, At the Hillcrest Centre

Present:

Louisa Young, Carina Hinkley

Penny Shimmin (Chair),

Tracy Evans Matt Holt, Angela Underwood

Steve Mears

Community Safety, Lewes District Council

Newhaven Community Development Association

Newhaven Strategic Network

Sussex Police

Youth Development Service

Apologies:

Yvonne Darby,

Kay Watts Ian Everest Housing, Lewes District Council

Youth Worker, NCDA Newhaven Town Council

ITEM	ACTION	
1. Minutes of last meeting and matters arising		
The minutes of the last meeting on the 3 rd April 2007 were read and verified.		
 The group discussed the priories that were set at the last meeting and decided to add PPVC including supporting pubwatch and supporting children suffering from Domestic Violence. CH to amend priorities. 	Action CH	
TE updated the group on the progress of Business Watch, aiming to support 360 businesses, which are widely spread across Newhaven.		
 It was mentioned that the youth shelter on Fort Road is in the wrong location and young people would like it moved to the skate park area. LY and CH to discuss with Owen Clifford and the parks team. 		
2. Projects Update		

PS informed the group that the Twilight Youth Sessions have

started. KW to update at the next meeting on the Twilight Sessions. PS to send LY project evaluations.	Action KW Action PS
6. CRP Update and New Guidelines	
CH explained that new Local Action Team guidelines have been adopted at the last CRP meeting. This is in order to make Local Action Teams more transparent and accountable, especially with regards to funding, including the fact that no	

been adopted at the last CRP meeting. This is in order to make Local Action Teams more transparent and accountable, especially with regards to funding, including the fact that no organisation receiving direct funding from the LAT can chair it. In practise this means that Action Plans will be introduced to replace traditional minutes, and local priorities identified by the LAT will form the basis of the Action Plan. Also, when the LAT is commissioning project, a project/commissioning form is to be filled out. In addition, there is a progress report to monitor initiatives and provide a means of evaluation. These forms will have to be filled either bi-annually with longer projects or on completion with short term initiatives.

4. Project Proposals

SM presented a project proposal to the group.

PROPOSAL NEWHAVEN DETACHED PROJECT – JUNE 2007

Background:

Newhaven Detached Project (Street Life) has been in Newhaven for approximately 30 months. The work consists of Detached Youth Workers meeting young people where they chose to be, this can be in parks, outside shops or on the street. Over time, Detached Youth Workers build up positive relationships with young people and work with them to identify the issues affecting their lives. They then work with the young people to put strategies and projects in place to address these needs.

Over the past 12 months some of the work carried out in Newhaven by Detached Youth Workers includes:

- Regular street work sessions (X2 per week minimum)
- Inclusion work: Working intensively with a group previously on anti-social behaviour orders 1 afternoon a week
- 6 week Music Project (inclusion group)
- Team building / Low Ropes (inclusion group)
- Mobile Climbing activity at Fort Road Rec for young people from Hanson / Gibbon Road
- Summer sports sessions for Hanson / Gibbon Rd
- Fort Rec Consultation (Hanson / Gibbon Rd)

Since Jan 2007 we have specifically targeted Hanson Road and

Gibbon Road as this is the area where will feel there is the greatest need for Detached Youth Work. We have made good progress and have built good relationships with these young people, based on clear boundaries and trust.

Funding requested:

Newhaven LAT: £1000 (Lewes Prevent & Deter Group: £1000)

Aims:

 To build on relationships already built and deliver effective projects that meet the needs of the young people from Hanson / Gibbon Rd

Objectives:

- Detached Youth Workers to continue working in the Hanson Road / Gibbon Road area of Newhaven.
- Youth Workers to design projects that will meet the issues raised by young people but also ensuring that enjoyment is a factor and young people participate voluntarily
- Examples of projects may include: Trips out, fun activities, inclusion work, consultation work etc

Timescale:

12 Months June 07- June 08

The group agreed to fund £1,000 towards the project.

 PS informed the group that she will circulate project proposals for the continuation of the Lewes Road youth club and the football project. Decision to be made at the next meeting.

Action PS

 The group discussed the Life project and decided to await the funding decision made by Prevent and Deter.
 Update at the next meeting

5. Resident Association Update

Hanson Road

LY informed the group that the last Hanson Road Resident Group meeting was cancelled.

The group discussed the potential porta cabin or community flat at Hanson road. CH reported that housing are not currently in favour of having a community building in Hanson Road.

It was decided by the group to write a letter to Mike Keeping, Head of Housing regarding this issue.

CH to write letter on behalf of the LAT.

Action CH

Iveigh Crescent

LY explained to the group that she and Sally Foote had attended the last Iveigh Crescent residents meeting. They discussed organising youth activities through the summer and the possibility of setting a youth club up. The group liked the ideas they put forward to them and agreed for them to take a project proposal to the next meeting. The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 6th June 2007. Update at the next meeting.

The Valley

LY informed the group that the Valley is not participating. LY and Sally Foote are looking into organising a resident group for the whole valley at the end of the summer.

6. Any Other Business

- The group discussed the issue of chairmanship as it is not possible for PS to remain as chair due to the new LAT guidelines.
 - It was decided by the group that CH would be the chair and TE would vice chair for the Newhaven LAT.
- It was also decided to invite additional organisations to attend future LATS
- PS stated that she is very disappointed that the introduction of new LAT guidelines would result in the loss of local focus. CH assured her that the opposite is the case and more focus will be placed on local issues.

11. Dates of next meetings

Tuesday 17th July 2007 at 2.30pm at the Hillcrest Centre.