



## **Coxhoe Parish Council Meeting: Youth Strategy Group**

Date & Time: Thursday 14 March 2019 at 6.00pm

Venue: Coxhoe Village Hall

Councillors present:

W Lavelle (Chair), B Hepplewhite, K Pounder, K Simpson.

Also present:

I Thompson (Senior Youth Worker), S Graham (Youth Worker), C Llewelyn (Parish Clerk).

### **Y39 To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence**

Apologies were received from Councillors S Dunn and J Smith. **Resolved** apologies were received and accepted.

### **Y40 Declarations of interest in items on the agenda**

No declarations of interest were received.

### **Y41 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 29 January 2019**

A draft copy of the minutes had been circulated with the agenda. It was **Resolved** that the minutes be approved, confirmed and signed as an accurate record.

### **Y42 Public Participation**

Some parents from the playgroup at Coxhoe Village Hall had sent a statement for the meeting to the Clerk saying they were saddened at the loss of the playgroup run from the Village Hall which they valued as local and affordable, and they hoped funding can be found. The Parish Council has no involvement in this playgroup whatsoever, but councillors felt that they wanted to find out more so they could respond appropriately to the parents. Councillors felt that as they have been contacted with this, they should listen to the residents and respond. **Resolved** the Clerk to ask the Village Hall Association to ask whether they have plans to replace the provision; if the Village Hall respond that they do not plan to replace provision, councillors felt the council should meet with parents to find out more about what they wanted; the Clerk advised that action should be agreed as part of an agenda item at a future meeting.

### **Y43 Action Plan Review**

The action plan was updated. The following were **Resolved** or noted:

**(A)** the Clerk to complete an audit of youth service documents and staff awareness by 1 May full council meeting.

**(B)** Councillors and staff to research information on funding opportunities and prices of activities as in the action plan.

**(C)** Training update noted; Child Protection training a priority.

**(D)** The clubs will close for the first two weeks and last full week of the summer holidays.

Councillor Pounder left the meeting at this point.

**(E)** Young people at youth clubs to be included in parish planning.

**(F)** Youth leaders are undertaking some leadership roles within the clubs and the staff are working towards a Youth Council; Senior Youth Worker to visit a group which has established a Youth Council.

**(G)** There may be AAP funding which would help with extra staff hours for Youth Council and other

activities from April.

**(H)** Councillor Simpson to find out whether New College students would volunteer.

**(I)** Active Life has a new inflatable with a lower height restriction so will not be used; staff to look into inflatables for holiday sessions, Councillor Simpson will provide a contact. The Clerk advised information is required in advance to ensure risk assessment and insurance are covered.

**(J)** Clerk to reduce and update action plan for circulation.

#### **Y44 Review of youth provision**

DCC Legacy Support

An observation was carried out at Coxhoe on 8 March and a written report will be provided. Initial feedback was good. **Resolved (A)** the information is noted.

Youth Council

Covered under Action Plan above.

Coxhoe

The Youth Workers said numbers have been good. Other aspects covered in Action Plan above.

**Resolved (B)** the information is noted.

Quarrington Hill

The Youth Workers said numbers have increased, and they will continue to monitor and review in terms of numbers and age range. **Resolved (C)** the information is noted.

#### **Y45 Recruitment and staffing**

**Resolved** interviews for Youth Auxiliary Worker posts will be held on the evening of Thursday 11 April.

#### **Y46 Programme**

Youth Workers are to organise a session for planning next term activities. **Resolved** the information is noted.

#### **Y47 Engagement with young people including those who are seldom heard, parents and the community**

Autism awareness and potential training was discussed. **Resolved** this to be considered.

#### **Y48 Youth budget and funding**

Councillors noted that the £3,000 AAP funding was received. Other aspects covered under Action Plan above. **Resolved** the information is noted.

#### **Y49 Staff feedback**

Staff felt the clubs are improving. Information was distributed on the Police Young Heroes Awards. **Resolved** the information is received and noted.

#### **Y50 Date and time of next meeting**

Thursday 20 June 2019 at 6.00pm at Coxhoe Village Hall.

Meeting closed 8.00pm.

**Certified as a True Record:**

**Chair (Sign)**

**Date**