

BEVERLEY TOWN COUNCIL

Youth Coalition (Working Group Meeting)

4th January 2017

Members present: Cllr Rob Begnett (Beverley Town Council), Cllr Jackie Heffer (Molescroft Parish Council), Cllr Mac Flemming (Molescroft Parish Council), Phil Jackson (ERYC - Partnerships & Participation), Maureen Yates (ERYC – Safe Communities ASB Team), Ben Merrell (Beverley Minster), Helen McGill (Humberside Police), Mike Nicholson (ERYC – Sports, Play, Art).

Clerk present: Helen Watson (Town Clerk)

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Phil Dodsworth.

2. Notes from the inaugural meeting on 10th October 2016

The notes of the inaugural meeting previously distributed with agenda were received and the Clerk was thanked for taking minutes at the present meeting.

3. To discuss the future model and objectives of the Youth Umbrella/Coalition Group

Members discussed different models being used in other areas to form youth coalition groups. Cllr Rob Begnett and Mr Phil Jackson stated that the model used at Goole worked well. Mr Phil Jackson stated that information/intelligence gathering would be vital to determine the needs of a youth coalition service for Beverley. Cllr Rob Begnett enquired about PAG grants and Mr Phil Jackson stated that PAG Grants may be available, however he was unable to advise on this matter, due to his involvement, but signposted the group onto Mr Darren Lawer dealing with the project.

Members continued to collectively discuss the Goole Youth Coalition Survey, which was circulated at the meeting. Members discussed how this could be amended to be used for Beverley. It was decided that members would take a copy of the survey away and forward any amended changes to Cllr Rob Begnett by email, which he will then amend.

Further discussion took place on how the Beverley Youth Coalition survey could be operated. Helen McGill volunteered to undertake the distribution of the survey through various schools in Beverley to fit the appropriate age criteria (8-12 year olds and 13-18 years year old). Maureen Yates stated that the Schools would welcome the interaction in tutorials or assemblies. The group discussed that the forms would need to be distributed to schools by 11.1.17 and collected in by 29.1.17 to allow the data to be used in the PAG application. Cllr Jackie Heffer volunteered to help Cllr Rob Begnett with the input of the data on completed and returned Beverley Youth Coalition Survey.

4. To discuss facilities required and services to be offered by the Youth Umbrella/Coalition Group

Mike Nicholson introduced some tried and tested youth coalition activities, involving football tournaments and stated that he would be happy to pass on any information and send a draft copy to the group. He also stated that there are several football teams in the area at present.

Ben Merrell updated members on the work of Beverley Schools Christian Trust and stated that this may come under the umbrella of the youth coalition work.

Cllr Mac Flemming and Cllr Jackie Heffer discussed the facility of Molescroft Pavilion, but stated it was a busy venue, so times of use would be limited. Members were asked to think about buildings that could be used for youth coalition activities and report back.

General discussion took place on:

- i) Having a Field Day was discussed as an idea for Mudhills or Leisure Centre.
- ii) Recruitment of Youth Ambassadors to form a steering group.
- iii) Venues/buildings that may be used – (Phil Jackson is to talk to Cody at Beverley Leisure Centre to see if they will be involved.
- iv) Battle of the Bands – Ms Helen Watson to pass on contacts of ‘Off the Road’ and Chris Broadwell to Cllr Rob Begnett regarding local bands. Ben Merrell is to check if the Minster will provide the building to facilitate this.
- v) Beverley Town Council Skatepark

5. Budget and funding involved and how to achieve this objective

General discussion took place on how funding could be achieved. The Cllr Rob Begnett reported that in his Mayoral year he was raising funds for youth coalition activities. He also reported that there was a small sum of funding that was previously allocated to the Youth Town Council, which may be allocated to this project.

Discussion took place that there may be some funding available from the Police and Crime Commissioner, Positive Activity Grants (PAG) and Wind Farm Grants.

Cllr Rob Begnett volunteered to submit a PAG grant by 31st Jan for consideration at the next board meeting.

6. Safeguarding, risk assessment and insurance matters involved

This item was put forward to a future meeting to be fully discussed, once the Beverley Youth Coalition Survey has been completed and data is produced.

7. To discuss Volunteer and Community Group involvement required in the project

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8. To discuss the calendar of events/schedule for the Youth Umbrella/Coalition Group

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9. Date, time and agenda items for the next meeting

8th February 5.30pm at Beverley Town Council Meeting Room.

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