**West Cheltenham**

**Children & Young People’s Group**

**Thursday 29th June 2023 2pm-3.30pm**

**Online - Zoom**

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| |  |  | | --- | --- | | **Present:** |  | | Andy Hayes (Chair) - Hesters Way Partnership | Alexis Turner - CBH | | Faith Rooke-Matthews – Springbank Community Group  Linda Grice Family Space / FeedCheltenham | Chris Slack – The Rock  Wendy Flynn – CBC  Scott Miller – Move More |   **Agenda Item 1 Welcome, Introductions and Apologies from:** Clare Davies – CBH, Janice Hamilton WCP  **Agenda Item 2 -** Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted as an accurate record and signed by the Chair.  **Actions from 20th April meeting.**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | **1** | Faith and Jamie to meet to discuss young people in Springbank and potential partnership. Not met, Inspire to Aspire project complete | **JB FR-M** | | **2** | Alexis to meet Jamie re St Pauls work. Not met, ItoA project complete | **JB AT** | | **3** | AH top invite people to a meeting to discuss youth forum DONE | **AH - All** | | **4** | Faith to send poster to AH for distribution. DONE | **FR-M AH** | | **5** | Proposed a joint bid CBH with SCC for Springbank and The Moors ONGOING | **AT FR-M** | | **6** | Contact Adam Riglar [adam.riglar@hlsglos.org](mailto:adam.riglar@hlsglos.org) re free gym passes for teens ONGOING | **anyone** |   **Agenda Item 3 – Youth Forum for West Cheltenham**  WF reported that CBC ran a youth council until 2015 but since then no formal body allows young people’s voice to be heard. A recent motion at CBC cabinet has requested reestablishing a Youth Council by Sept 2023 pending an options appraisal in July.  The group discussed the potential for West Cheltenham’s young peoples’ voices to be heard. It was agreed that All Saints Academy should be involved and local youth organisations might encourage the keenest young people to be involved in a council. This is made easier at a youth centre can offer consistent provision and develop trusting relationships with young people rather than with the transient nature of detached work. Existing groups include The Rock, Springbank CG at Brizen and Springbank (assuming a fixed space), Boys Brigade (Baptist Church), Guides and Scouts groups.  AT suggested a model to increase engagement based on social action projects and the National Citizens Service. Personal and social development projects involving team building and highlighting topical issues of interest to young people (eg eating / drugs / body image relationships) could be LGBT+ friendly and shared with schools. A new forum could be have age related groups eg 11-14, 14-16, 16+  Questions were asked about why the former youth council failed. It appears that funding for support post(s) was withdrawn. The projects described would need funds to make them viable. Funding could be sourced as a partnership with one, preferably youth focussed, organisation acting as the lead and employing a member of staff to support young people’s involvement in the a youth council, whether that be a West Cheltenham council or as members of the potential town wide CBC sponsored version.  Further information about the CBC project will help frame the next steps. WF to supply details when available.  **Agenda Item 4 - Partners Reports**  **Springbank Community Group –** Employing a new Community Health and Wellbeing (Sarah Pinegar) with additional space being built for more health projects at the Pavilion. A summer H and WB Family Fun Day to take place on August 23rd 10am – 2pm A new H and WB hub is being provided from the newly refurbished pavilion thanks to funding from the ILP (Integrated Locality Partnership – NHS)  Offering detached youth work on two evenings a week a with one evening funded by West Cheltenham Partnership (until August).  HAF summer project includes 3 days per week for 4 weeks  **Family Space / Feed Cheltenham** – Thanks to Linda for attending for the first time. The organisation beginning a strategic review but involved with activities as normal including HAF summer provision for clients.  **Move More** – Scott explained that they Levelling Up fund will provide activities for pre-school children in St Marks. (Mini Movers ages 2-3. 3-4 and 4-5) at Oasis(Tues) St Barnabas (Weds) from September. Additional 8-14 age group activities at Oasis 5.30pm – 630pm on Tuesdays from Sept – other activities taking place in St Pauls.  AH acting as community connector for HAF to increase disadvantaged uptake of services via CABS booking scheme. Hoping to engage with local partners and attend resident meetings and pop-up booking sessions. Spaces to be held back for non-tech aware families.  **CBH** – Alexis described supporting the project with Move More to attract children from the previous CTFC project, hoping to build on relationships already established around the Oasis MUGA.  Supporting HAF provision at St Pauls Oakley and The Moors over the summer and new Build Back Better also in St Pauls, The Moors and Hubs  **The Rock** –HAF proving summer holiday activities young people for HAF via their owb booking system The usual provision continue ( archery, cookery sessions and dodgeball tournament etc).  Continue work with the pupil behaviour unit (referrals are made by local secondary schools and work paid for by the County Council ))  **WCP –** Partnering Springbank Community Group as part of the ILP health and wellbeing hub at Springbank. Bids have been made to offer a Creative Youth Space in the lobby at the Community Centre for evening and holiday youth provision and H and WB activities in the daytime.  The Bridge will be supplying 4 days (11am – 3pm) of sport provision from 31st July to 25th August funded by HAF and WCP  **Agenda Item 5 – Emerging Issues** – None  **Agenda Item 6 – AOB** - None | **WF** |
| **Agenda Item 7 - Date of next meeting**  **Thursday 14th September 2023**  **2pm – 3.30pm**  **@**  **ONLINE – ZOOM – Invitations by email**  For future meeting dates please see our website via [Meetings – WEST CHELTENHAM PARTNERSHIP](http://westcheltenham.org/meetings) |  |
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**Actions**

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| **1** | Update on CBC Youth Council options appraisal from WF | **WF** |