

**Meeting :** Congleton Youth Forum – Meeting No.27

***A sub group of The Congleton Partnership.***

**Date :** Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2015

**Time:** 3.30pm

**Location:** Eaton Bank Academy

**In attendance :** Glen Williams (Chair) , Alan Lawson, C.Eckersley, Lee Malkin, Ann-Marie Morgan, G.Hayes, S.Gurbuz, C.Holmes, J.Money & M.Smith

**Guest :** Amy Spurrier (PCSO)

<b>Item</b>	<b>Agenda Item / discussion</b>	<b>Action / comment</b>
2.	<b>Apologies:</b> K.McIntyre, I.Mason, I.Bartley, L.Minshull, L.Chikwira, S.Foster, U.Ashiq, V.Ryles & M.Williamson.	
1.	<b>Welcome &amp; Introductions.</b> Glen welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked Eaton Bank Academy for hosting the meeting.	
3.	<b>Minutes of the last meeting / Matters Arising.</b>  The minutes of the last meeting (10 <sup>th</sup> February ) had previously been circulated and were accepted as a true record of that meeting. <b>Matters arising were:-</b>  <b>Item 3. Youth Info Point (<a href="http://www.youthinfo.co.uk">www.youthinfo.co.uk</a>)</b> We still need more support from forum members to make the site really live. GW to follow up with the Youth Council to make sure their processes are working.	<b>All Y F members to sign up to the site and put on 1 item of information.</b> <b>GW to follow up with Youth Council re processes.</b>

	<p><b>Item 3. Twista Programme CHS</b> GW to contact Debbie Lindop to see if the programme is now up and running at CHS.</p> <p><b>(Item 3. Children’s Rights Month.</b> CHS “Hands up” photos now on the website. Photos still to come from Bromley Farm and EBA</p> <p><b>Item 3. Prince of Wales Trust Programme.</b> GW / A-MM to contact Prince’s Trust ( J.Walkey) to discuss opportunity for Congleton.</p> <p><b>Item 6. Youth Celebration Day – 11<sup>th</sup> July.</b> GW to discuss their involvement on the day with The Youth Council and he will also contact our organisations that have not been to meetings recently to see what they can bring to the day.</p> <p><b>Item 8. Youth engagement Hub – John Warren PCSO.</b> GW has spoken to John Warren . John has not been able to identify suitable premises , Fellowship House may have some space but this is currently being taken up by CEBC. Still looking for premises on the west side of town.</p> <p><b>Item 9. Jeanne Whitehurst Fellowship.</b> No applications received as yet, please nominate a.s.a.p. You can make more than one nomination. MS to resend the nomination form to members</p>	<p><b>GW to contact deb Lindop re a course at CHS.</b></p> <p><b>GW / Ann-Marie to talk to John Walkey.</b></p> <p><b>GW contact Youth Council / lapsed members re 11<sup>th</sup> July.</b></p> <p><b>MS send nomination forms to members.</b></p>
4.	<p><b>Update – M.Smith</b> <b><u>Briefs Issued since last meeting (10.2.15)</u></b></p> <p><b>Once again a large amount of correspondence this month, listed below are items / e-mails that were issued, if anyone requires a copy please contact Mike.</b></p>	

From.	Content.
Ann-Marie	HLF Funding Officer Job Opportunity Ches / M'side –Closes 1.3.15
(Youth Fed)	Sustain Newsletter inc C4C Funding / Tomorrow's Leaders Programme
	Newsletter <a href="http://www.youthpolicy.org">www.youthpolicy.org</a>
	Funding stream- <a href="http://www.buildingbettercommunities.co.uk">www.buildingbettercommunities.co.uk</a>
	CVS Cheshire East Training Newsletter – March 2015
	Free First Aid training News – March 2015
	Link to funding stream- <a href="http://www.tescopl.com/tescocharitytrust">www.tescopl.com/tescocharitytrust</a>
E.Stanton	Safer schools partnership bulletins x 7
Jo Money	Website. <a href="http://www.daysoutwithkids.co.uk">www.daysoutwithkids.co.uk</a>
D.Lindop	CVS E-Bulletin ( Partnership is a full member inc our sub groups)
Sam Ruck	Visyon Newsletter

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**Youth Celebration Day Update.**

The subgroup met on 3<sup>rd</sup> March and a full report will be issued shortly. The event will be free to all, with some low cost interactive activities /shows to watch.

	<p>We will look for the event to promote existing opportunities , the clubs and organisations that provide these at the same time hopefully introducing the young people to new activities.</p> <p>Taking the best issues from the “Other Stuff2Do” events we have run and build in a lasting legacy following the event.</p> <p>The event will run from 1.00 to 5.00pm, main activity will be on Hankinson’s Field with hopefully some activities taking place on the Skateboard Park and possibly in The Leisure Centre.</p> <p>Usman is currently working on a Logo, Ann – Marie would like this as soon as possible , she is contacting youth and sports groups to see what they could offer. GW to chase up the logo with Usman.</p> <p>SG suggested that we should look to use food as a way to celebrate diversity by introducing/getting young people trying dishes from other cultures, to get away from the burger / hot dog image. It was also confirmed that this would be a non-alcohol event.</p> <p>CH to contact the new manager at Boot Barns Rd to see what sort of support / ideas they may be able to offer.</p> <p>Discussion around how we advertise the event came up with various suggestions. Along with the normal posters, website, social media elements it was felt that personnel invitations delivered directly to the young people through school assemblies using Power Point presentations may be a great way to get them engaged. GW to discuss with both secondary schools how to handle this and for confirmation as to their involvement on the actual day. Volunteers will certainly be required both setting up and during the event, hopefully the schools will be able to provide some support here.</p> <p>Need to find a host / host for the day, CE stated that she knew of a couple of girls who had carried out a similar role at CHS, we may need to look for somebody similar.</p>	<p><b>A-Marie to contact youth and spots groups.</b></p> <p><b>GW chase up Usman re Logo.</b></p> <p><b>CH contact Boots Barns Rd.</b></p> <p><b>GW to discuss assembly attendance / school involvement of the event.</b></p>
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<p>6.</p>	<p><b>Youth Forum Projects.</b></p> <p>GW advised the forum that he had put in a number of funding support requests to the Partnership's Projects and Finance Committee and was awaiting a decision on some of them.</p> <p>P&amp;F agreed to support the Youth Celebration Day by awarding £1000 to the event so that planning / organising could get underway.</p> <p>The other 5 projects have gone out to The Executive for their decision, MS will advise GW once the result is known.</p> <p>The 5 projects were:-  Basketball Hoops.  Bridle Path Maps.  Skateboard Park.  Fashion Show (Chav).  Congleton Youth In Bloom.</p> <p>GW will be writing out to forum members to find out which of these they will be able to get involved in.</p> <p>Virtually all of the activities arose from findings in the recent Youth Council Survey, so support what young people suggested themselves.</p>	<p><b>GW to contact forum members for their support across the activities.</b></p>
<p>7.</p>	<p><b>School Road Safety.</b></p> <p>GH outlined a common issue regarding road safety both outside and journey to schools which had been discussed at a recent CeCP meeting.</p> <p>Congleton Town Council has agreed for GW / GH to visit all the 15 schools and find out their individual priority issues around this subject and then to write up a composite document to be taken to Cheshire East Council for further action.</p>	<p><b>GW / GH to visit all schools for their priority list of issues.</b></p>

	<p>PCSOs present at the meeting reported both ongoing issues and some instances of abuse that they were getting when patrolling outside of these schools at either end of the day.</p> <p>Minor improvements have been made over the years at individual schools but nothing across the board.</p>	
8.	<p><b>Future Agenda Items and Focus.</b></p> <p>Glen added this item to the agenda to get people thinking about where we go in future. We have used the Youth Council Survey results initially, perhaps we now need to look more widely at what is required in and around Congleton. Perhaps we need to look outside of leisure activities. All members were asked to give this some thought.</p> <p>GW will be carrying out a survey about the Youth Forum with all of the forum members in the near future.</p>	<p><b>All members thoughts please.</b></p> <p><b>GW. To survey Youth Forum members.</b></p>
9.	<p><b>AOB.</b></p> <p><b>Amy S.</b> Commented on the sessions run on a Tues / Wed at Fellowship House by Jane Cummings. Around 30 young people attending, a good rap pour is building, with a list of new apps that are useful for “kids” being demonstrated.</p> <p><b>AL.</b> Advised the forum that Debs Lindop would be moving to Crewe and that Donna Peddie would become responsible for Congleton on her return to work in April. Donna will eventually attend this forum meeting in place of Alan.</p>	
	<p><b>The meeting ended at 5.30pm.</b></p> <p><b><i>Next meeting</i></b></p> <p><b><i>Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> April – 3.30pm – Congleton High School</i></b></p>	

