



## High Wycombe Community Board

### Community Cohesion Sub Group Meeting

17<sup>th</sup> December 2020

#### The action notes update from last meeting

- ESOL project to promote classes around women's health issues. Working in partnership with the Healthy Living Centre and a meeting is arranged for 18<sup>th</sup> December to discuss the logistics of the program. All going ahead for a January/February start. If the project is successful at The Hive other venues to be considered.
- **Action: Cllr Raja to put ESOL team in contact with The Hive.**
- **Action: If any of the attendees know of partners who should link up with the Healthy Living Centre or Bucks Adult Learning to be able to identify cohorts who would benefit from these courses, let Teresa/Helen/Claire know.**
- Reducing inequalities for BAME communities. Benson captured experiences/feedback from young people on what it was like growing up in High Wycombe. He will feedback his findings at the next meeting.
- Youth provision. A contact has been obtained for a staff member at High Crest School who is interested in supporting young people and having their voices heard and she would be interested in the project Benson is running. Karen, Transitions UK also indicated that there were Care Leavers who could be contacted.
- **Action: Monica to contact High Crest School member of staff.**
- Ideas for who else should be invited to these meetings. Nicola Workman, Wycombe Youth Action was invited but couldn't make it, but is interested in attending future meetings. For future meetings, either share the invite or let Fay know or put them in touch with her and she will share some information with them.
- Application received from Karen, this will be turned into a funding report, this will then be sent to sub group and then to the wider board.

#### • Agenda Items

##### Action4Youth – Safety Net Project

- Emily shared a presentation with the group.
- The project is a multi service drop in centre for people aged 13-18 years (up to 25 in exceptional cases) working together with organisation to provide the best possible

service for young people in High Wycombe. There is currently a bid in to run this from a centre in Green Street. A bid has been put into the HW Community Board for £40,000 for Health and Wellbeing community pots. This amount will pay for a member of staff for a year, to get the project up and running and setting up the links with local communities.

- **Action: Fay to forward contact details of Charmaine at Khepera CIC to Emily and Monica.**
- The project was initially to start in January, but due to COVID-19 and not knowing the outcome of Green Street, they are realistically looking at April, in line with the new financial year.
- Working with other organisations in the area is critical to the project to get people through the door to take advantage of the help and support this is available.
- Agreed to add a table of email addresses to the minutes for contact among the group.

This is attached as a separate document.

#### **Any other business**

Action4Youth are trying to engage young people in the Safety Net Project if anyone is working with any groups of young people 13-18 years Emily would like to arrange to have a Zoom meeting or come and speak with them about their plans, so let her know. They would like to get feedback and ideas from young people.

#### **Date of next meeting**

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2021 6:30-7:30pm