

## **Marden Parish Council**

New Community Facilities Working Group (NCFWG) Meeting for the New Community Centre

on Thursday 24 August at 19.30 in Community Centre

### **Notes of the Meeting**

**Present:** David Bennett (Chairman), Paula Barrett, Sandra Gladwyn, Jess Tidball, Robin Brook, Angela Sasso and Chris Wathen.

**In attendance:** Alison Sutton, Parish Clerk

1. **Apologies** – Dave Lloyd, Jenny Larkham.

2. **Open Forum** – None.

3. **Fundraising Group (FG)** –

Dates for 2017 events – 30 September Race Night, 28 October Quiz.

Dates agreed for 2018 – 2 Quizzes, 2 Race Nights, Family Fun Day, Garage Sale, stall at Church Fete. Checking dates with other organisations before publishing in advance calendar in News & Views.

4. **Youth working group** –

Tuesday evenings once a month starting in April. 8-16 yr olds. Hall and Community room.

5. **Older parishioners working group** –

Waiting for write-up of workshops from Richard Timney. Once Broadband in, hoping to get donated laptops from power/phone companies to start IT sessions for older people.

6. **Long-term vision** –

Agreed to use David's draft vision when presenting to PC – To provide a community hub that will be an innovative multi-use complex for the community to gather in. A place owned by locals, run by locals, and for the benefit of locals and visitors alike. A place that is sensitively run in harmony with the needs of the community and will be proactive in enabling a range of services that will improve the quality of life for the local community. The facilities included can be anything as long as there is a willingness from the community to contribute and participate. A thriving community hub will be a place where parishioners and visitors can add to the flavour by sharing their skills, knowledge and interests to develop others.

7. **Short-term aim** –

Agreed various points to present to PC –

- To develop a proposal to be presented to the Parish Council at the October meeting. The proposal will identify ways to free up the Community Centre during the day as part of the first phase of establishing a Community Hub.
- Alison will check what is needed to register PC on Contracts Finder website if required for tenders.
- MVT will investigate how to deal with safeguarding with academy.

8. **Review for PC meeting** –

Agreed David, Alison and Robin draft for October PC meeting. Group check at next meeting.

**9. Next steps –**

Item on September PC agenda re registering PC on contract finder website if required.

**10. News and Views copy for October copy date (20.09.17) –**

Fundraising quiz. Working up revised plan to present to October PC meeting, hope many parishioners will attend.

**11. Next meeting – Thursday 28 September 2017 at 7.30 pm in Community Centre.**

Alison Sutton – Parish Clerk

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