St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting at TARA, Mansfield Road Thursday 24th November 2016 at 5:00 pm

Present:

Cllr. Dave Leech (Chair); Cllr. Jenny Platts; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall; Clyde Black; Madge Busby; Gemma Cobby; Ruth Gammon; David Gammon; John Hallows; Tony Lowe; Freda Stenton; Lee Swift

Apologies:

Kath Bostwick

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting on 13th October were approved.

Matters arising:

Sarah T has been given a contact for the Scout Group but as yet has to receive a reply.

Madge B reported that the Hallowe'en Cook and Eat was very successful. Leaflets advertising their activities will be distributed at our Open Day. Dave L read out a letter from the school thanking us for the donation of Spring bulbs and this letter is now on file.

Sarah T suggested the proposed Health event be added to our next agenda.

Funding Applications:

Kids' Club - a brief presentation was given in support of the application and after due consideration it was approved for an increased amount of £400 to allow for peripheral expenses.

Caterpillar Club - after a brief presentation the application was approved, again with the amount requested rounded up to £500.

New Hope Music Group - a number of issues arose and after careful consideration it was agreed to reduce the amount requested to £750 to reflect previous discussions as to what we will fund.

Treasurer's Report:

Clyde B submitted a financial statement showing a balance of £20,973.38 as at 24^{th} November 2016.

Secretary's Report:

David G reported that his activities were focussed on the Open Day on Saturday 26^{th} November and thanked Jenny P for her help in chasing up our contacts.

Any Other Business:

David G is to prepare a letter for Tony Lowe to take to New Lodge Co-op and others thanking them for their donations.

Dave L reported that he had received an email from J. Hayward thanking Ward Alliances for their support commemorating the Battle of the Somme. This is now on file.

The meeting closed at 18:35

Our next meeting will be 5pm on 5^{th} January at TARA, to be chaired by Cllr. Sarah Tattersall.

St. Helen's Ward Alliance Minutes of Meeting at TARA, Mansfield Road Thursday 5th January 2017 at 5:00 pm

Present:

Cllr. Jenny Platts; Cllr. Sarah Tattersall (Chair); Clyde Black; Madge Busby; Gemma Cobby; David Gammon; Tony Lowe; Aimee Phillips; Lee Swift.

Apologies:

Cllr. Dave Leech; Ruth Gammon.

Minutes:

The minutes of the previous meeting on 24th November were approved.

Matters arising:

Reds in the Community - No action for the moment; carry forward.

NLCC - Aimee P informed the meeting she no longer wishes to participate in the activities of New Lodge Community Centre.

It was agreed a meeting should be called of the NLCC Management Committee, which should include Ruth G. Lee S is to arrange the meeting.

The issue at the centre with N-Power has been resolved. The outstanding account has been reduced by £1000 to £1600.

Funding Applications:

No applications had been submitted.

Events:

The Open Day at New Lodge WMC was reasonably successful despite a low turnout. It was agreed future events should be later in the year with better weather and given wider publicity. Timing should extend beyond 3pm to involve parents on school runs.

St. Helen's Star Awards is to be held in May.

The Health event is to be held in June.

In each case a small working party is to be set up to organise and oversee.

Summer Gala:

The event should take place in July/August Monday through Thursday. We should contact the major participants to establish diary dates.

A working group is to be set up given the heavy workload in planning the event.

Ward Plan:

The Plan was considered item by item and will be up dated by Lee S to consider at a later meeting.

Any other business:

Flood Resilience representatives have been invited to our next meeting and will be included in the agenda.

A non-matched funding working budget has been reserved for projects including Health and Stars of St. Helen's. The cost of hanging baskets will also be funded from this budget.

A quote is also being obtained for handrails on steps for ease of access.

Treasurer's Report:

Clyde B submitted a financial statement showing a balance of £18,673.38 as at 5^{th} January 2017.

Secretary's Report:

A Bursary application was approved and passed to Lee S to process.

The free raffle tickets handed out at the Open Day and the three Christmas Tree events totalled 117 and the winner was delighted with the Christmas Hamper.

Provisional dates for 2017 for our meetings are to be emailed to Madge B to check the availability of the TARA office.

Our next meeting will be 5pm on 16^{th} February at TARA, to be chaired by ClIr. Jenny Platts.

The meeting closed at 18:45.