



Kingstone Ward Alliance Meeting

Wednesday 9th September 5:45 pm

Virtual Teams Meeting

Notes

Due to restrictions on meetings during the corona virus the Kingstone Ward Alliance will be conducting this meeting via Micro Soft Teams

1. Attended: Doreen Gwilliam (CDO), Cllr Williams (Chair), Stephen Bullcock, Tony Barraclough, Peter Robertshaw, Peter Roberts,
2. Apologies: Florentine, Kelly, Vera, James
3. Welcome
4. Declaration of Pecuniary and None Pecuniary Interest - Cllr Williams declared a non pecuniary interest in the Highstone Bowling Club:
5. Notes & Matters arising from Previous Meeting:
 - Doreen suggested a leaflet to give out to people with the general info about useful contacts. **Action point: Doreen to design a new leaflet**
 - The Cllrs met with Sarah Blunket the Area Team manager where the environmental issues in the ward was discussed and actions were given out: **Action point: Doreen to send the notes of the meeting to the environmental group**
6. Ward Alliance Fund: Budget available: £14069.0
 - All successful WAF Application forms that were Covid related and over £500.0 were taken from the resilience fund and Ward Alliances have been re-imbursed. This brings our WA Budget back up to just over £14,000.
 - Highstone Bowling Club - £1675 – Bowling Club Refurbishment. – This group are working toward getting the club house ready for next year. The group have not accessed funding from the Ward Alliance as the last application came from resilience fund. It is really important to try and encourage groups to prepare for next year as there may be a greater demand for places where people can get a bit of social interaction. The contracted partners for Social Isolation may need clubs to refer people to. – **Action point: All agreed with the application: Doreen to send it for processing.**
 - Possibility of a De-fib in the area (subsidised rate) need to agree and get permission from a venue – suggested venue was Fire Station – **Doreen informed the meeting that there were no discounted de-fibs left now.**
 - Possibility of a general advice project (financial and legal) from CAB – 6-12 months (subsidised for the first three months). This would work in conjunction with DIAL and Age UK advice services so would not duplicate. Whilst the group agreed that there may be a greater need for financial/legal advice in the coming months, they would also like to be sure that it is Kingstone residents who are getting the benefit from this service: **Action point: All agreed to fund the project for 6 months initially, with a proviso that they will look again after Christmas, if there is a proven demand for the service then they will consider a further 6 months funding**

7. KWA Priorities Updates and Actions:-

- Central Area healthy holiday project – update given, the project was a success and we will be looking to deliver a further project in the Autumn half term.
- Environmental activities:
 - i. Tuesday 11th Aug – Worsbrough Common 5:30 WCCA office – went very well with WCCA Healthy Holiday families on board – Twiggs picked up all the rubbish the next day
 - ii. Tuesday 25th Aug – Farrah Street – 5:30 Farrah St Park – The weather was really bad, only Kevin, Tony and Stephen made it to the event, but they still picked up 9 bags of litter (Twiggs collected the next day).
 - iii. Great British September Clean up – 11th to the 27th September – Suggestion: Saturday 19th September 10:00 am on the Green opposite California Terrace (opposite Castle St & St Johns Road). – **action point: All agreed to carry on with this event as it can be done in a socially distanced way, Cllr Williams, Tony and Stephen to distribute leaflets – Doreen will advise when they are in the office to pick up (probably Friday 11th Sep)**
 - iv. Cllrs met with Sarah and Doreen to discuss environmental issues – we have taken away some queries and will meet again at the next sub group. – **Action Point: Doreen to distribute the notes to the environmental group.**
 - v. Wild flower verges: Peter Roberts advised the group that wildflower verges is not a solution to litter, the litter is just harder to pick up, we should only consider this in areas where litter is not a problem. – **Action Point: If highways give permission Cllrs will identify the areas.**
 - vi. Peter asked about the planters in the middle of the road on Park Road. Is there anyone taking care of these? They do not look like they have been maintained. **Action Point: Cllr Williams to check to see who is responsible for them.**
 - vii. Street Furniture: Stephen confirmed that the project to paint street furniture is going ahead and furniture on Day St has already been painted.

8. Report from Central Area Council – Information and issues that effect Kingstone Ward: - Cllr Williams

- There was a big discussion on bins, fly-tipping etc. CAC will be holding a workshop with a representative from each ward to work with Neighbourhood Services and other departments to identify solutions to some of the issues raised.
- Discussion on the CAB service and the added value that this can bring. – Elected members want to make sure that any WA funding will be added value and not subsidise the central advice offer
- Contract extensions were discussed and contracted partners have had their contracts extended for a further year.
- YMCA, The Youth Association and Exodus were commended for the role they have played over the last 6 months in really difficult times, they have all ensured that they have kept in contact with all their service users and managed to offer services in really creative ways.
- A working group on social isolation is being planned, this will culminate in a pot of funding that groups can apply into (similar to the Well Being Fund process). It was felt that social isolation can happen at any age so they did not want to be too restrictive in their approach. (pot will be £200,000. for two years with the possibility of an extension of a further £100,000 for a year in the third year.

9. Any other business: None

10. Date of next meeting: 21st October – time and venue to be confirmed (Probably virtual).