

**MINUTES RBL PARTNERSHIP MEETING
THURSDAY 15th JUNE 2017**

Present

Amanda Caldwell
Rich Richardson
Elliot Collins
Helen Thompson

Angela Peaker
Danny Leach
Christine Beal

Peter Edwards
Danika O'Connor
Mags Bryson

Apologies: Darren Burton, Pauline Eastham, Emma Woods-Bolger

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES

The chair opened the meeting.

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes of the meeting of 4th May 2017 were approved.

3. LTO UPDATE

An update was provided by CFFC. The periods for year 1 (2014-2015) and year 2 (2015-2016) are now financially complete and only funds relating to the current year 3 (2016-2017) are held. The amount of £37,366 is available with the agreed budget of £55,900 still to draw down from Big Local to complete this period. Therefore the uncommitted balance to date is £93,266.

4. BL REP UPDATE

Helen reported that UnLtd have been supporting areas on social enterprise and queried whether RBL would be interested in looking at this. Interest has to be expressed by Mid July. Danny has made contact with them and is awaiting a reply.

Fiaz will be attending the event in Birmingham on 1st July. Whilst the LTO will pay expenses for volunteers and residents Danny is willing to attend but it would be necessary for him to claim his expenses from RBL. It was agreed that it was worthwhile for Danny to attend with Fiaz.

Helen mentioned that "anyone for tennis" funding available from the Tennis Foundation.

5. SUB GROUP UPDATES

(a) Voice your Choice

The winner of Voice your Choice for 2017 is the Friends of Rastrick Library with 261 votes being cast. This is to fund the "Access4All project" at the library to make it more accessible for wheelchair users, those with health or mobility issues and families with young children and to continue to provide a Community hub for locals. The FORL will need to submit a planning application which will take around 3 months for approval.

A couple of queries have been raised by individuals asking whether CMBC should be funding this. RBL has looked into this and it has been clarified that as there is another library nearby, namely Brighthouse town centre, the Council are not obliged to make alterations to Rastrick library. It was agreed that the Friends of Rastrick Library would be asked for a statement to this effect which could be placed on the RBL website.

(b) COMMUNITY SMALL GRANTS

An application has been received and approved for £1500 for Turning Point Counselling which is a self-referral service. This is to provide counselling to residents living in Rastrick.

(c) MARKETING AND ENGAGEMENT

Website: As part of the rebranding of the website, Danika has produced six draft RBL logos. These were reviewed at the meeting and an element of two of the six was liked. A couple of further logos will be circulated for approval taking this into account. **Action:** Danika to produce two further logos.

Marketing: Preparations are still underway for the family funday on 16th July. Discussion took place about liaising with the Community and how to engage with them so as to gauge to what extent they are aware of the work of RBL and the projects which have been funded. Danika has offered to take photos at the event. This will necessitate obtaining permission if any photos of minors are taken. A round robin email will be circulated to residents who gave their email address on the VYC voting forms. A sponsor for the event is still being sought.

Action: Amanda to contact Millers Oils re sponsorship/Mags to forward template for permission for photo/Danny to produce a document to engage with Community at event.

(d) TREASURERS REPORT

Balance at meeting on 4 th May 2017	£412.41
Debit – bank charges 31 st May 2017	-£5.00
Funds being held for Friends of Rastrick Library	-£300.00
RBL funds available at 15th June 2017	£107.41

The audit for April 2016 to March 2017 is due to be undertaken and it was agreed that a token amount of £20 be paid to a local resident who is willing to undertake this.

6. COMMUNITY LINKS PROJECT

RBL are still exploring the idea of a Community links project. Danny and Rich will be meeting with Professor Gifford at Huddersfield University on 11th July to discuss this further.

7. Voice your Choice review:

7.1 The voting form for 2017 asked residents to vote for the next theme with “children and young people” being the next project. Discussion took place on how to obtain the views of the young people in the Community to find out what they want. It was decided that it would be worthwhile approaching the head of the schools, if possible before the end of school term, to see if the joint school council could help. It was also discussed as to whether public health may have information available on the health and wellbeing of local children. A separate meeting is to be scheduled in the next couple of weeks to take this forward.

Action: Danny to put a proposal together to put to headteachers/ meeting to be arranged for early July.

7.2 Previous discussion has taken place about funding for projects which may not fall within the criteria for VYC and it was agreed that a separate funding pot should be made available. The draft document which has been prepared was reviewed briefly and a few amendments were required prior to this being further discussed at the next meeting.

Action: Amanda to amend document for discussion at next meeting.

8. Any other business

Fruit for All have been looking at the possibility of running an apple juicing event, possibly around October. However this would be reliant on the Community donating apples. At present this is just an idea but RBL will be able to put something on the website and facebook page if FFA decide to pursue this further.

9. Time and Venue for next meeting (s)

The next two meetings will be on Thursday 27th July and Thursday 7th September 2017.

CLOSE 8.00 pm