



AGENDA ITEM NO. 10

HENBURY AND SOUTHMEAD NEIGHBOURHOOD PARTNERSHIP

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Title:Bristol Youth Links Update

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RECOMMENDATIONS

- 1. That the Neighbourhood Partnership approves the recommendation in item 1a to set up a sub-group to meet with Learning Partnership West to discuss their future youth and play delivery plans
- That the Neighbourhood Partnership notes the updates on the Southmead Adventure Playground, Southmead Youth Centre and Brentry Lodge Youth Centre in 1b, c & d and considers any support they may want to offer these initiatives
- That the Neighbourhood Partnership notes the support packages being developed by the City Council to help communities with Community Asset Transfer

1. Youth Links update

The following items represent a snapshot of what actions have been taken by the new provider, Learning Partnership West (LPW) and different members of the community since December 2012 to address issues and concerns about the future delivery of youth and play services in Henbury, Brentry and Southmead.

a. Bristol Youth Links delivery programme:

An interim programme which is being delivered to the end of March 2013 is in place. **See Appendix A for the Henbury/Brentry/Southmead programme**.

This programme is temporary as LPW go through their staffing restructures and TUPE arrangements.

LPW are likely to have a clear delivery model towards the end of March 2013 after they know what their staffing profile will be.

An up-to-date calendar of activity and events has been published on the council website <u>www.goplacesdothings.org.uk</u> and <u>www.goplacestoplay.org.uk</u>.

Recommendation:

That a sub-group is set up to meet with Learning Partnership West to discuss their delivery plans as they will affect our NP area. This should wherever possible join together with the other NP areas which are included in the North BYL delivery area.

b. Southmead Adventure Playground:

LPW are taking on the management of the Southmead Adventure Playground. CYPS are in the process of working through the lease and handover arrangements. This will take a few months to complete. In the meantime Peter De Boer, the city council Senior Practitioner, will continue to manage the facilities, with LPW delivering services from there.

c. Southmead Youth Centre:

Rose Richards, Service Manager for Bristol Youth Links reports: LPW are not currently interested in managing the Youth Centre in Southmead, although they may wish to continue delivering services from there in the future. As with all their delivery plans, these are subject to further discussions with local children and young people, taking place over the coming weeks.

Supporting Southmead Youth Centre Proposal

In the meantime a series of meeting have been co-ordinated by young people in Southmead, pulling together individuals, organisations, the MP and local councillors to explore options for Community Asset Transfer (CAT) of the Youth Centre.

An outline CAT proposal has been put together and presented by Kristian Baxter to the Mayor at the Cabinet meeting on 28th February at the Greenway Centre, Southmead with the following aim:

The community of Southmead request that the Southmead Youth Centre and all equipment be transferred into our ownership for a 3yr trial with an option of a 25yr lease at the end. We request peppercorn rent, a serviced building for year one and matched funding of £50k for years one and two and £25k for year three. This will enable us to use the additional £166k from our partners and income generation schemes to provide an excellent gym with an Amateur boxing club, alongside a fully functional open access youth centre providing a range of educational, therapeutic sessions, wellbeing and personal development programmes in partnership with Empire boxing club and Kids Company.

d. Brentry Lodge Youth Centre:

In Henbury/Brentry exploratory meetings have been taking place with a small working group led by Henbury and Brentry Community Council and local Councillors to look into the feasibility of a CAT process to develop Brentry Lodge into a Community Centre for the area.

e. Supporting Community Asset Transfers in the city:

The need to support a number of potential community asset transfers has been recognised by the City Council. Rose Richards has confirmed: All premises will remain open until at least July 2013, managed by the council's in house team of senior practitioners. The purpose of giving the 'at least until July' date is intended to give confidence to organisations currently using facilities, and is not intended as an end date. If within the coming months early indications of interest by local organisations are shown to have merit, the current arrangements will be extended, to allow sufficient time for business plans to be finalised, assessed and implemented.

Over the coming months we will be working with the new providers in some places, and local community organisations in others, on the transfer of centres and playgrounds. Capital funding secured last year will be allocated on a case-by-case basis to make adaptations to facilities to help ensure their future viability

Funding support is being put together from CYPS budgets and was the subject of a proposed amendment to the Council 2013/14 budget on 26th February. In addition other external sources of funding are being explored from within the City Council to support community/voluntary organisations who are looking to take on youth premises through the Community Asset Transfer policy.

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday Sunday **Aiming High** Senior Member Area Wide CAF PANEL N2 **Disability Project** Training 10-12 Monthly PdB/WESIL CG/Partnership CG Southmead **Play Session** Play Session Positive Futures L-Weston Southmead APG Southmead APG Girls Sports 10-2 3.30-6.45 10-5.45 PT, SG DS, DH, MW DS, DH, MW Henbury **CAF PANEL N1 4YP Henbury Sch** 11.30-1 PdB/Partnership **PT/Partnership 4YP Brightstowe Sch Play Session Play Session Young Carers** 11.30-1 Southmead APG Southmead APG 3.15 -5.30 3.30-6.45 3.30-6.45 NE CB.AW DS, DH, MW DS, DH, MW **Play Session** North Forums **Community Open Disability Project** Southmead APG North 1 and BS10 Group Work 6.30-9 3.30-6.45 6.30-9 Southmead 6-8 DS, DH, MW CG,GH, PT PdB/Partnership NE, PT,KD, **4YP Southmead Community Open** Clinic 4-7 **Duke of Edinburgh Community Open** North Girls and Group Work 6.30-9 PT/Partnership Group Work 6.30-9 Club 6.30 -9 Young Women's Club Lawrence Weston Henbury 6.30-9 CB CG AW SB AW,PdB,NE,CB AL, SS, DS SS,AL, CB, LB

Youth Links North Team Delivery September 2012