Greater Fishponds Young People Engagement

Background:

George Sloan and Ben Cattle recently joined the Greater Fishponds NP board to represent young people in Fishponds area. They both expressed interest in developing a framework for wider engagement opportunities for young in the NP area.

Following proposal was presented in a recent meeting with the NP Co-ordinator, with the view of enabling young people to plan and influence young people activities in the NP area.

Proposal:

The proposal consists of the following key elements:

- Set up Young People Core Group: Fishponds Young People core group to consist of 2-3 young people from each ward.
- Role: The role of this group is to plan, influence young people activities for their area. Other roles may be determined once the group is up and running.
- Regular meeting may be once every month or two.
- Venue: Meetings to take place in Youth Centres or other similar informal settings and should be rotated around the GFNP area.
- Youth workers to be there and support the core group meetings. Michele Mcmoral,
- Invite others as and when needed like PCSO, NP members, etc.

Recruitment:

Approach and speak to existing young people in open access sessions.

Start date:

Start implementing at the start of the new academic year, from Sept 2016.

Resources needed:

- Travel expenses, particularly taxi cost for evening meetings.
- Venue cost
- Drinks and refreshments, snack.
- Flipchart paper and pens.

Other selling/incentives for Core Group members:

- Good for CV
- Deliver/influence provision young people like to see in their area.
- Incentives like vouchers for something, eg Cabot circus or Supermarket stores, etc.

Membership:

Membership of the core group is to be open to young people in the age group of 12 to 18s with a degree of flexibility.

Champion:

George Sloan, with support from Youth Services and NP team, to champion the initiative