## **FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL**

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



Minutes of a Youth Services Committee meeting held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 7.15 p.m. in the Jubilee Room, the Pump House, Faringdon

PRESENT: Cllrs. Al Cane (Chairman)

Andrew Marsden Patrick Middleton

Co-opted member/s (present until min 8/3/16 (d): Tim Vinall – Scouts

In Attendance: Sally Thurston, Town Clerk

1/4/16 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs. Wise and Leniec

2/4/16 Declarations of Interest

None

3/4/16 Minutes of Last Meeting: Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2016

A spelling error was noted and corrected. The minutes were signed as a correct record of the meeting.

4/4/16 Public Speaking Time

None

5/4/16 Public Question Time

None

6/4/16 Youth Groups Update

Members received and NOTED an update from Tim Vinall - Faringdon Scouts which highlighted:

- AGH had taken place on 11/7/2016. The young people had presented their achievements and activities across the year to the meeting.
- A new leader had recently started at the group and was settling in well. More leaders are still required.

- A group camp at Yolbury was very successful, 98 members from all sections attended along with some parents.
- Upcoming events include: Selling hotdogs at Faringdon Fireworks, bag packing at Tesco and the Faringdon Remembrance Day Parade.
- It is hoped that a new Scout section will be launched in 2017.

## 7/4/16 Faringdon Youth Services

- a) Members received and NOTED the financial report to 30/8/2016.
- b) It was PROPOSED that no capital projects be included in the 2017/18 budget because current earmarked reserves for Youth Services were held. This was AGREED.
- c) Members received reports from Senior Youth Workers.It was PROPOSED that the following purchase requests be APPROVED:
  - Dodge balls up to £49
  - TV and trolley up to £369
  - Circus skills and African drumming sessions up to £140

This was SECONDED and CARRIED

It was PROPOSED that a pilot Youth for Youth dance session be facilitated by a Senior Youth Worker using the same safeguards and format used for an open session. This was SECONDED and CARRIED.

Thanks to the Youth Workers were NOTED.

- d) It was PROPOSED that a Senior Youth Worker be assigned 6 hours per week to a pilot project, in conjunction with Faringdon Family Centre, to work with young parents on a series of sessions and Willow Workshops until 31/12/2016. This was SECONDED and CARRIED
- e) Members received a report from Youth Services Strategy Meeting. It was NOTED that there was a great deal of cross over with Children's Services. Members felt that a thorough mapping and scoping exercise to ascertain the needs and aspirations of the residents was essential to the future success of the Youth Service. It was NOTED that current staff were not qualified to carry out the exercise. It was PROPOSED that costings for professional consultants be sought and a request made to finance to release earmarked Youth Service reserves for this purpose. This was SECONDED and CARRIED. It was further PROPOSED that Cllr. Middleton in conjunction with the Clerk be delegated authority to gather costs and information. This was AGREED.