



MINUTES OF THE NETWORK RYDE STEERING GROUP MEETING
HELD ON 17TH JULY 2019 AT 147 HIGH STREET, RYDE, ISLE OF
WIGHT COMMENCING AT 10AM.

Present: Henry Adams, Malcolm Ross, Sue Lyons, Tim Wakeley
Carol Jaye (Ryde Arts), Claire Steen (Barnado's), Paul Ferguson (Ryde Rotary), Steve Hull (Police)

In Attendance: Ady White (Town Clerk), Lisa Jolliffe (Youth Work Manager), Maiya Dixon (Youth Worker Session Lead and notes)

28/19 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Cllr Michael Lilley and Will Doyle (Ryde Academy).

Cllr Tim Wakeley spoke about liaising with other local councils regarding the work that Network Ryde does at 147. Cllr Tim Wakeley will follow up on this.

29/19 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes from the meeting held on the evening of the 29th May 2019 were agreed and signed as a correct record of the meeting.

30/19 FUTURE OF THE SKATE PARK

This item was brought forward in the published Agenda due to the Clerk needing to leave the meeting early.

Cllr Tim Wakeley and Saskia Blackmore, Town Clerk, reported that they'd recently met with the new ice rink/leisure group (SILC) at Smallbrook Stadium. It is possible that the new project could accommodate the relocation of Ryde Skate Park. The Steering Group discussed the options of relocating to this site, including accessibility issues and the terms of lease. It was noted that the Isle of Wight Council aren't in a position to interact with Ryde Town Council regarding the lease of the current skatepark as it's too early in the lease to do so.

The Steering Group agreed for the Town Clerk to continue discussions with SILC and the Isle of Wight Council.

Cllr Tim Wakeley advised that the Skate Park should remain with its current lease until the SILC project/plan has been agreed, and other options should still be explored.

31/19 RYDE SKATE PARK REPORT

Shona Parnell, the Facilities and Allotments Officer, provided a written update in advance, which was received by the Steering Group. All agreed there were no major issues arising from the report.

32/19 NETWORK RYDE – AN UPDATE

Lisa Jolliffe, Youth Work Manager, provided the Steering Group with a report in advance, and talked through the main points.

Network Ryde received additional funding for extra Short Breaks sessions through the summer holidays, and funding for sensory toys and ear defenders to be used at Short Breaks sessions.

Due to the Red Box Project ending, Lisa thanked Ryde Rotary Club for their donations which will help to keep the box topped up with free menstrual items for the young people to use.

Maiya Dixon, session lead, advised the Steering Group of the change to sessions throughout the summer holidays.

As previously agreed, the drop-in session times will be amended from September to reflect the change to the school times at Ryde Academy.

The Steering Group agreed that, in line with the Ryde Town Council closure during the festive season, Network Ryde will close 147 at 12pm on Monday 23rd December. There will be no drop-in session on that day.

Network Ryde has been informed that the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) is due to visit 147 on the 16th September 2019.

Cllr Tim Wakeley, in his capacity as Chair of the Network Ryde Steering Group, has been invited to join the Community Safety Partnership (CSP) Violent Crime Task and Finish Group. Cllr Wakeley has already attended the first meeting, where Network Ryde was mentioned by other professionals as a good service for the community. The next meeting is in September, which will bring all the agencies together. Lisa Jolliffe has already received an email from the Street Pastors about working together/discussing what they and Network Ryde do. It was agreed that Cllr Tim Wakeley should continue to attend the CSP meetings.

Maiya Dixon and Carol Jaye, Ryde Arts, talked about the 'Look Up' project idea, where Network Ryde and Ryde Arts would set up a competition for the young people, encouraging them to take pictures of Ryde. Paul Ferguson (Ryde Rotary) suggested two people from Ryde Rotary Club (a photographer and historian) might like to get involved with this project. Sue Lyons suggested that the photographs could be used as a 'Town

Trail' which was supported by the Steering Group. The Steering Group agreed that planning should continue on the 'Look Up' project.

Cllr Tim Wakeley and Maiya Dixon confirmed that a fishing trip with the young people is being planned for September 2019. Cllr Tim Wakeley is a member of the Vectis Fishing and Boating Club who are organising the event. The trip has already sparked interest from the young people. Cllr Sue Lyons advised that should this trip be a success and a future event take place, she would assist with a BBQ for the young people to cut and cook their catch. The Steering Group agreed to this event.

Lisa Jolliffe spoke about the plans for the September timetable. The target age group of Network Ryde is young people aged 13+ (school years 8 and above), however when 147 opened it was for school years 7 and above to establish a presence and build a relationship with young people of secondary school age. Due to the numbers of young people currently attending 147, the Steering Group agreed that from September 2019 Network Ryde would not open to the new Year 7 students and will instead focus on the sessions in place for the existing young people, now in Year 8 and above and therefore in the target age group. Lisa Jolliffe advised that the decision to offer sessions for the Year 7 students would be reviewed regularly.

Cllr Tim Wakeley requested a visual representation of the weekly session plan, similar to the staffing sheet used by the Administration team – to be brought to the next meeting.

It was agreed by the Steering Group that 147 is to be closed on Monday 2nd September for a staff-planning day.

It was agreed by the Steering Group that Network Ryde would host another Macmillan Coffee Morning at 147, date to be confirmed.

Discussions were held about the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme (DofE), and whether Network Ryde should offer the Gold Award. Lisa Jolliffe advised the advantages and disadvantages to the group on behalf of Phil Plant, the DofE Lead. Lisa Jolliffe agreed to ask Phil to gather further information for the Steering Group members outside of the meeting. One suggestion was that Network Ryde could support the young people on some Wednesday evenings, but for the young people to do the Gold expeditions through the Isle of Wight Council. Cllr Tim Wakeley has requested a more thorough cost breakdown to support any decision. Also discussed was the possibility of offering the Duke of Edinburgh's Award scheme to the young people who attend Short Breaks sessions. Maiya Dixon explained the additional needs of the young people who currently attend the Short Breaks sessions. The Steering Group requested more information from Phil Plant on resources, requirements and possible funding opportunities.

Lisa Jolliffe spoke about how she reports using Youth Offer Impact Outcomes and asked for suggestions from the Steering Group as to how

the outcomes might be adapted. Claire Steen (Barnardo's) proposed evidencing how the work meets the outcomes. Cllr Tim Wakeley suggested that this item be carried forward to the next meeting.

34/19 PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT

To be discussed at the next meeting.

35/19 EXTERNAL FUNDING

Lisa Jolliffe tabled the contents sheet from the draft version of the Funding Portfolio and asked the Steering Group for permission to approach an external professional, Peter Fellows, to help work on the Portfolio. The Steering Group agreed that he has a good understanding of Ryde and that it would be beneficial to seek his input.

36/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting is Wednesday 18th September at 10am-12pm, at 147 High Street.