

West End Million Partnership Meeting Minutes 12th June 2017

7pm Monday 12th June 2017, St. Barnabas Centre

Present: Tigger (facilitator),
Gill Taylor, Mike Barr, Steve Coghlan, Tom Fyson (Big local Rep), Pat Williamson, Louise Bryning (Press Officer), Dan Spenser, Matt Panesh, Jo Bambrough, Tom Marshall, Kathryn MacDonald, Keeley Baughan, Joanne Ainscough Andy Hemming (UnLtd rep)

11 Board Members present. Meeting not quorate.

Apologies: Andrew Galland, Judith Stephenson, Olivia Thomas, Liz Engelke, Kieran Engelke, Liz Das, Simon Das

e-mail/ text votes; Andrew Galland, Judith Stephenson, Olivia Thomas, Liz Engelke, Kieran Engelke

Agreements of minutes of last meeting

Mike stated he had not included Joanne's apologies.
There were no other amendments, minutes agreed

2) Action Plan

This item was moved forward.
Everyone has helped with the draft Action Plan, all the Groups have written their own section of the plan.
It was suggested more work needs to be done on Health and Wellbeing particularly around adults
It was suggested that more work needs to be done with the vision and priorities to cover all of Big Local's assessment criteria.
It was proposed that we agree the Plan in principle, a final draft will then be e-mailed out next Monday for final approval.

14 in favour, 2 abstentions (5 e-mail/text votes)

Proposal passed

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1) UnLtd

Andy stated UnLtd have stopped the Try It, Do It and Grow It awards. In our area £70,000 was invested including £15,000 match funding from the Partnership.

UnLtd have a new program where they will work with 20 Big Local areas over the next 3 years. To be involved we would have to contribute £50,000 over 3 years which would be administered by Local Trust. The £50,000 would be distributed to social entrepreneurs in our area by a sub group from the Partnership, we would have to adhere to the core criteria of UnLtd, Live, work or volunteer in the area with a social purpose.

Local Trust and UnLtd would provide support to the Partnership and Social Entrepreneurs for 3 years but the £50,000 would have to be spent in that time. If the Partnership wish to be involved we would have to put in an application from a named lead by July 18th.

15 votes in favour, 1 abstention (5 e-mail/ text votes)

Proposal passed

Tom, Gill, Steve, Joanne and Tigger stated they would be involved with the application.

The following funding applications have been considered by the Funding Panel and circulated to the Partnership Board 8 days before the meeting for feedback.

3) XCEED funding application

The proposal is to run a 6 week course for anyone recently diagnosed with or already living with a long term health condition, to teach self management tools and techniques to enhance quality of life.

16 votes in favour (5 e-mail/ text votes)

Proposal passed, £1000 from Community Grants budget

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4) Wise up Workshop Summer Holiday application

The proposal is to run workshops over the Summer for children to grow in confidence using drama and art, every Wednesday for 6 weeks for 2 separate age groups, Primary school and Secondary school.

13 votes in favour, 3 abstentions (5 e-mail/ text votes)

Proposal passed, £850 from Community Grants budget.

5) AGM/ Open Meeting Application

The proposal is to have an open meeting on Saturday 23rd September, 2pm to 7pm at More Music. The purpose is to update the Local Community on the progress so far and to encourage members of the Community to join the Partnership board.

16 votes in favour (5 e-mail/ text votes)

Proposal passed, £700 from Project Delivery budget.

Budget amended to remove West End Players (see AOB) and Art work for Flyers, Kate Drummond has provided the design for the Flyer for free, Thanks Kate.

6) Gardening Tools for Malcolm Land

The proposal is to purchase shears, loppers and a cordless strimmer to help Malcolm in the volunteer work he is doing in and around the West End Gardens.

16 votes in favour (5 e-mail/ text votes)

Proposal passed, £57.99 from the Community Grants Budget.

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7) Team Building social meeting and meal

The proposal is for the Partnership board to get together at a venue in the West End Million area in a relaxed and informal way after (and assuming) our next Years' Action Plan is approved by the external assessor.

A budget of £5000 was allowed to contract out the writing of the Action Plan, however the new plan was written from contributions from all the Partnership members without external consultants so the budget remains unspent.

15 votes in favour, 1 against (5 e-mail/ text votes)

Proposal passed, £475 from the Action Plan budget

8) Morecambe Fringe Update from Matt

Matt stated that he had not obtained £8000 match funding from Morecambe Town Council but he had obtained £10,000 funding from "a seed fund and the Carlton"

Matt also stated he had been in touch with Lancaster City Council to secure extra funding.

Matt also stated his application to the Arts Council for £10,000 had been rejected on 23rd of May but he has resubmitted an application for £15,000 and expects a decision by mid July.

Matt then asked the Partnership to alter the terms of his funding application and asked the Partnership to pay our £10,000 to him now so he could begin to pay for flyers etc.

Matt was asked to leave the room.

After discussion amongst the board members present it was decided to reject Matt's proposal to alter the terms of the funding.

Matt re-entered the room and was informed of the decision.

Matt was also informed that the offer of funding was withdrawn.

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Any Other Business

Matt asked for the West End Players to be removed from the AGM application.

It was suggested we give Malcolm a reward for all his hard work.

It was suggested having a ½ day workshop on 8th July on using a Wordpress Website. 5 Partnership members expressed an interest.

Tigger has asked to be co-opted back onto the Partnership at the next meeting.

Next meeting 10th July at 7pm

No volunteers to be next facilitator, e-mail request to be sent out.