

Revoelution Partnership Meeting

The Brunswick

19th April 2023

Present

Angie Buss (Chairman)

Joyce Folkett (Vice-chairman)

Simon Lawton (Project Manager)

Vicky Dwyer

Pat Heaton

Annie Johnson

Linda Mackenzie

Laura Ivinson (Blackpool Council)

Sian Jay (Local Trust) via Zoom

Angie welcomed us all and presented apologies from Denise, Leon, Alison & Nikki.

The previous minutes were accepted as a true record.

Update

Open Door Policy

Our open-door policy has been a source of pride to us (and astonishment to representatives from outside agencies) but recent events have called for a rethink: In future the door will be closed and a "Please Knock" notice will be on the door. The Hub's opening times are now 11:00 am to 4:00 pm which will ensure that there will always be two people on duty (in line with good safeguarding practice.)

We also need to deter certain people from outside Revoe who take up more time and resources than others.

NHS Project

We are one of five wards involved in this research. How are performing compared with the others. Has our community engagement work put us ahead? Need to measure outcomes for this project. As we let partner groups use our hub for free, could we have their stats in return?

Youth Work

Seniors are no longer recruiting new members: current_Seniors are now Juniors' Volunteers. There is a new Council Youth Leader, Simon Morton, whom Laura Ivinson will contact to see what the Council's plans are for 16+ youngsters.

Romanian Community

Tomorrow Ana takes a break from her usual community work to hold a planning session for, among other things, a Romanian food-sharing event.

Through the LNP we have learnt that the Football Club are engaging with the Romanians who play football on Revoe park each Sunday.

The Plan

Discussion on the plan was about what categories we will have in the new plan and who is contributing what. Following the consultations, Health & Wellbeing will definitely stay, as will Physical Environment, although not Housing as there is little Revoelution can do about this.

Employment and Opportunities are always important in Revoe, as are Young People, Crime and ASB can be left to the police and lastly Strengthening the Partnership, especially as this is our last plan.

Angie will write the introduction; Joyce will give her thoughts on Employment and Annie will contribute to Young People.

AB JF AJ

We also need dates for more meetings regarding the Plan especially detailed costings and external funding.

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Funding Requests

Laura Ivinson would like us to double our previous offer of £5,000 towards resurfacing the sports area on the park. Revoe Park is one of four areas being considered for help from Playzone. If the resurfacing goes ahead Revoelution will be a key partner in the site's management. If it doesn't, we will get our money back. The cost has not yet been finalised, but we should know before the end of April. We will make our decision then.

MJB is a doula who would like to collaborate with new mums in Revoe to produce Maternal Journals ensuring that they have a positive experience of their birth experience. The Partnership considered that her bid was high for what was involved, so it was declined.

Any Other Business

Meetings

20th of April a visit from Tina of Left Coast re National Gallery.

24th of April 10-noon: **Our Bigger Story**. A Zoom meeting looking at ideas for the future of Our Bigger Story.

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25th of April, **Borrow It Blackpool** are holding an open day at the Volunteers Centre on Abingdon St. They are an organisation that lends out DIY, gardening, leisure and household tools & equipment at low rates.

26th of April, Residents' Centre 3-5pm: **Left Coast** are holding an art event "**Bold, Bright, Brilliant**" with artist Margot Myerscough and award-winning poet Nathan Parker to inspire ideas for an installation for our Fun Day.

27th of April, Residents' Centre 10 am. **Local Neighbourhood Project meeting**

AB JF

27th of April, 10 am: **Know Your Neighbourhood**. An online meeting about community engagement (which will be recorded).

2nd of May, The Hub: **The NHS** will be visiting to do research into access to GPs.

Next meeting

Wednesday, 24th of May at The Brunswick at 3:00 pm.