

Revoelution Partnership Meeting 18th Jan 2023 / 15:00 PM / The Brunswick

Present

- Angie Buss (Chair),
- Zaida Ali,
- Alison Chapman,
- Niki Clarke,
- Leon Davy,
- Vicki Dwyer,
- Joyce Folkett (Vice-chair),
- Pat Heaton,
- Annie Johnson,
- Simon Lawton (Business Manager),
- Linda Mackenzie,
- Denise Williams (BCH)
- Sian Jay (Big Local) via Zoom
- Jeff Scales (Locality)

Welcome and Apologies

Angie opened the meeting by welcoming Jeff Scales from Locality who was here to give us guidance with our building plans. There were also apologies from Adrian Wolton & Maggie Cornall.

Previous Minutes

Accepted as a true record.

Update

We have grants both for our Warmhub and £4,500 for household essentials for Revoe residents.

Work Club has evolved into a drop-in advisory service dealing with three or four people each session.

We are still keen to supply air-fryers, slow cookers, electric blankets etc. to residents but we need to decide on the criteria for distribution. We also need a new toaster as the one in the kitchen no longer pops up.

Ana's Romanian Engagement Sessions need to be reviewed for her payments.

The NHS has grants on offer - S L to action

Funding Request-Playzone

Playzone have asked for £10,000 from Revoelution towards resurfacing the football & basketball areas on Revoe park and fencing the area. We have had to cancel several football sessions recently because of the state of the pitch so this work is necessary. The FA are

contributing £150,000 to the project and we agreed to offer £5,000 but would probably agree to more if it was needed.

Legacy

After spending time in small groups thinking about where we would like Revoe to be in five years time, we pooled our ideas and found that our vision for Revoe was for a welcoming community of friendly faces living contentedly in a multicultural area of well-maintained properties and more green and garden spaces. Central Drive would offer a diverse range of locally-owned businesses and Revoelution's hub would be a dynamic centre for community activities. People would be proud of their neighbourhood which should lead to a decrease in littering and anti-social behaviour.

Community Buildings

After listening to our five year plan Jeff Scales gave a presentation on Community Buildings. He presented us with a selection of points to ponder: Is our goal feasible? Does the community want it? Is our project viable and sustainable? (Not just financially but are we resilient enough to recognise when and how to adapt our vision to future needs and conditions?). It is important to consider taking on an existing building e.g. Revoe library rather than building from scratch.

Meetings

Thursday, January the 19th. Blackpool FC Community Trust are paying us a visit.

Friday the 20th sees a visit from the Centre for the Unemployed.

Lighthouse will bring their Alcohol Support Roadshow to the Hub on Tuesday the 24th at 1 o'clock. There will be an NHS Listening to Communities- Blackpool Teams meeting at 6 pm on Wednesday the 25th.

Any Other Business

Niki brought the Green Doctors to our attention. They are part of the Groundwork team and give out drinking bottles, blankets, vouchers etc. to help with the cost of living. She will contact them about a visit to the Hub. N C to action

Next Meeting

Wednesday the 15th of February at 2:30 at The Brunswick