



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE NETWORK RYDE STEERING GROUP MEETING HELD ON 29TH MAY 2019 AT 147 HIGH STREET, RYDE, ISLE OF WIGHT COMMENCING AT 7PM.

Present: Henry Adams, Malcolm Ross, Michael Lilley, Sue Lyons, Tim Wakeley

Carol Jaye (Ryde Arts), Claire Steen (Barnado's), Paul Ferguson (Ryde Rotary)

In Attendance: Elizabeth Gough (Administrator and notes)  
Lisa Jolliffe (Youth Work Manager)  
3 Members of public

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Cllr Michael Lilley was nominated as temporary Chair whilst the elections were undertaken.

**16/19 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

The Council Members present unanimously elected Cllr Tim Wakeley as Chair of the Steering Group.

Cllr Tim Wakeley thanked the group for their vote of confidence and said he looks forward to the year ahead.

**17/19 ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN**

The Council Members present unanimously elected Cllr Sue Lyons as Vice Chair of the Steering Group.

**18/19 CO-OPTION OF NON-COUNCIL MEMBERS**

Lisa Jolliffe advised of the updated Network Ryde Terms of Reference.

Members from Barnardo's, Ryde Rotary Club, and the Police were co-opted as Partners of Network Ryde.

Ryde Arts are not able to become a full member due to Carol Jaye not being available for the Steering Group meetings, however they are a key stakeholder.

Both Will Doyle from Ryde Academy and the Manager of the Foyer hope to attend future meetings.

**20/19 WELCOME & APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Will Doyle (Ryde Academy), Steve Hull (Police), Alison Rushton (Foyer), Sarah Riddick (Barnardo's).

**21/19 MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING**

The minutes from the meeting held on the 20th March 2019 were agreed and signed as a correct record of the meeting.

**22/19 NETWORK RYDE – ANNUAL REPORT**

Lisa Jolliffe, Youth Work Manager, introduced a young person who is a regular attendee of Network Ryde sessions and also a member of the IW Youth Council. The Young Person talked about the activities she had done and is able to do with Network Ryde, and about what she enjoys doing at 147. Cllr Tim Wakeley thanked the young person for her direct feedback.

Lisa highlighted key points from the Annual Report. Cllr Tim Wakeley asked for the Impact Outcomes from the Annual Report to be an Agenda item at the next Steering Group meeting.

Lisa thanked Claire Steen for the monthly Peer Supervision meetings that Lisa and some of the team have with Barnardo's as part of their partnership agreement.

A conversation was had about the content of sessions at 147. Cllr Malcolm Ross asked whether the young people attending 147 felt forced to do something when they attend the sessions, and whether some young people do not attend 147 because they feel they have to get involved. Lisa assured the group that aside from the advertised structured sessions, the daily drop-in sessions were for the young people to do as they please: however the staff may get involved in conversations, if invited to, and would steer the activities away from things that may be inappropriate or acceptable. The young person present agreed with this.

It was agreed that Lisa will consider ways to gather further parent feedback, where appropriate. Lisa is already planning on gathering more feedback from parents/carers of young people involved in the CAP art project, Short Breaks and the Duke of Edinburgh's Award as those sessions have more contact with parents/carers.

Cllr Tim Wakeley thanked Lisa Jolliffe for an excellent report and asked to convey his thanks to the 147 team.

Cllr Wakeley requested a change to the Agenda for Cllr Michael Lilley to make an announcement. As Ryde Town Mayor, Cllr Michael Lilley advised that he has an opportunity to raise funds for a cause of his choosing, and for this year he would like the funds raised to help support the mental wellbeing for the young people of Ryde. Cllr Michael Lilley

would be working with Barnardo's, the Youth Trust and the Youth Council to find where best the donations could be spent.

Cllr Michael Lilley offered his apologies and left at 8:10pm.

**23/19 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. Lisa advised that the outreach work is mentioned within the report is not straightforward, and research work would need to be undertaken.

**24/19 PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENT**

The Partnership Agreement with the Police is still being revised. It was agreed that existing agreements should be reviewed annually.

**25/19 EXTERNAL FUNDING**

Cllr Tim Wakeley suggested that the Town Council extend an invitation to the Police and Crime Commissioner to visit 147 to find out about the issues young people in Ryde face with a view to hopefully receiving some of the funding available from the Commission.

Lisa confirmed that work on the funding portfolio has begun and a draft version will be brought to the next meeting.

**26/19 QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC**

Cllr Diana Conyers thanked the staff for the services of Network Ryde. Cllr Conyers raised concerns around what is perceived to be 'normal' to young people. Lisa advised that any concerning issues Network Ryde are made aware of are followed up, and information about issues of concern is promoted within the main room through posters and leaflets, with additional information being discretely available should the young people require it.

A discussion about keeping parents/carers informed of such issues, and parents/carers being able to ask questions about current issues is to be put on the Agenda for the next meeting.

**27/19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date for the next meeting is Wednesday 17th July at 10am-12pm, at 147 High Street.