



MINUTES OF THE NETWORK RYDE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE
MEETING HELD ON 15th SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 147 HIGH STREET
COMMENCING AT 7PM.

- Present: Malcolm Ross
- In Attendance: Elizabeth Gough (Administrator and notes), Becky Swan (Youth Services Manager (YSM)), Briony Jordan (Kickstart placement)
- Apologies: Richard May, Jo Parkes
- Also Present: Paul Ferguson (Ryde Rotary), Carol Jaye (Ryde Arts),
Online: Claire Steen (Barnardos), Lili-Mae Lane (Young person representative)
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23/21 WELCOME & APOLOGIES

Claire Steen sent her apologies in advance and requested Sarah Riddick attend in her place.

24/21 DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

25/21 MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

It was RESOLVED that the minutes of the Network Ryde Steering Group meeting held on 9th June 2021 be approved as a true and accurate record of the meeting and signed by the Chair.

26/21 YOUTH WORK MANAGER REPORT

Bex gave an overview of the manager report that had been distributed prior to the meeting.

Restrictions have allowed Network Ryde to open up 147 without bookings, however some sessions will continue as previously as they worked well.

A weekly quiz is still being maintained on Instagram.

The summer of play sessions were a success and well received by the young people. The sessions were funded by Network Ryde as the funding bid applied for was unsuccessful.

The first year of the allotment has also been a success; Jo created a video to show its progress through the year. The plot is now getting ready for the next cohort of Ryde Academy young people. A visit from the Police and Crime Commissioner was an opportunity to showcase where the funding from the VRU was spent, as well as support the next application for a further £6000 of funding from the VRU. Ryde Rotary has delivered a rotavator to the allotment. Carol Jaye asked about clothing for the young people, as she has observed them wearing their school uniform. Bex Swan advised that we have and provide the young people with waterproof jackets and wellies, but the young people choose not to wear them. A suggestion was made to go to local companies such as Rapanui to see if we could get some t-shirts made up. Paul Fergusson advised that the Rotary have some Water Aid t-shirts that can be donated for the allotment.

Over the summer we had the practice and assessed Bronze DofE expedition, as well as the practice Silver DofE expedition. Another practice expedition will be taking place early October. Rookley community hall allowed the groups to use the grounds as a base for the overnight stays. A thank you letter will be sent to them. The awards ceremony will be scheduled for November, with James Attrill, High Sheriff, presenting. Paul Fergusson advised that there may be some funding available through Ryde Rotary and the Benevolent fund to help contribute towards the Gold expeditions, but this would be available on a case by case basis.

Network Ryde has taken on 2 Kickstart placements. Kaiya is in her 5th Month, and Briony in her 2nd. The advert for the next placement has been submitted.

There are now 3 active volunteers with Network Ryde, who help with the allotment and the DofE sessions.

Staff at Network Ryde have undertaken Fire Warden and First Aid and LGBTQ+ training.

Ryde Academy have funded some sessions for a group of 6 Year 9 students to do their Bronze DofE Award as part of their alternative provision.

The Youth Offending Team are using the allotment as part of their reparation.

A Macmillan Coffee Morning will be held at 147 High Street on Saturday 25th September. Offers of help have already been received from the young people.

Later night opening on a Friday evening has been requested previously by the young people. It was agreed that these sessions can go ahead.

27/21 DATA REPORTING

The data reports were distributed prior to the meeting. There were no points to note.

28/21 PREMISES

Elizabeth has started working on some of the admin for the works needed to be done on the St Thomas's project. A contractor has been agreed to undertake the CAD drawings; there are ongoing discussions with contractors for the remedial works on the roof.

Lili-Mae Lane left the meeting at 8pm

29/21 FINANCE

Bex Swan tabled a current set of accounts, up to the 31st August 2021. The accounting technician has been reallocating payments and receipts to the correct budget lines to give a more accurate reflection of the Network Ryde activities, although further work is still to be done.

2 payments have been authorised from the Network Ryde Opportunities Fund - £42 for some work shoes, and £50 for a car ferry for a young person to visit a university (the first member of her family to go to university)

30/21 STAFFING

Maiya has returned to work full time. Elizabeth has reduced some of her additional hours so that her support on the Kickstart scheme can continue through until December. Bex Swan is putting forward a review of a staff members salary to the Personnel Panel, so that they can be brought in line with the rest of the teams salaries.

Liam has passed his probation period and will continue to offer support in the sessions.

Kaiya is on her last month of her Kickstart placement. A review of funds and feedback from the staff team has concluded that there is money in the budget to allow for Kaiya to remain a member of staff until March 2022, and a proposal will be put forward to the Personnel panel.

31/21 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Carol Jaye advised that the 1st weekend in December is 'Green Garlands' and offered a space for Network Ryde.

Seedy Sunday – 6th February 2022 is a day with a variety of individual small stalls by gardeners/allotment groups/horticulture groups. Bex advised that Network Ryde would have a stand.

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DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The date for the next meeting is Wednesday 1st December 2021 at 7pm, in person unless restrictions are still imposed, whereby the meeting will therefore be held online.