

Minutes of MY Voice Meeting.

Venue	Monkton Communities First, Tenby Court
Date and Time	14.00, Monday 3rd August 2009
Approved by Chair	

In Attendance

Kirsty Crocker; Lucy Dilworth; Daniiey Boswell; Tommy Crocker; Ieuan Nicholas; Hayley Wood; James Roach-John (Minutes)

1. Apologies

Paul Meredith; Chelbie Jones

2. Acceptance of Minutes.

No minutes were presented at the meeting. This was because the previous meeting of the Group was to plan the sponsored walk, and the business of this meeting was planning for the future of the Group.

3. Attendance and Introductions.

Hayley asked the meeting to introduce themselves and for the benefit of the new members, the established members were asked to give a background of the work of MY Voice. Following any questions the meeting continued.

4. Action.

Following conversation relating to the future developments of the Group, the issue of widening membership was discussed. The young people highlighted the need to widen the Membership of the Group, with it also being agreed that a wider age range of young people would support the development of MY Voice.

James highlighted that fact that the Communities First Partnership had discussed reviewing the Action Plan, and the young people felt that they wanted to be involved in looking at the areas which concerned them, possibly with a view to development of their own Action Plan for young people in Monkton.

Following this, the young people discussed ways in which they may be able to develop the Group, with the possibility of wider consultations being looked at. Hayley suggested a meeting, possibly on a fortnightly basis to suit the young people, which could be used as a means for wider consultations, with training and activities included. The young people felt this was a good idea, and stated that Thursday evenings, from 17.00 to 19.00 would suit them. Following

discussion, it was agreed that Hayley would approach the Community Hall on behalf of the Group to enquire about bookings and costs, and would approach the Partnership and apply for Communities First Trust Fund money to cover the costs of the Hall.

These sessions would enhance the current provision in place by the council youth club, and would allow a wider group of young people to get their voices heard in the community. It was also agreed that the Officers of MY Voice would receive training to develop their skills and would look to represent the views of young people from Monkton at meetings, such as Monkton Voice, Monkton Communities First Partnership and meetings with the Council.

James also mentioned that he has discussed with Geraldine Murphy from PCC the possibility of Monkton young people being involved in the Youth Assembly for Pembrokeshire, which may also be a role for the Officers. The young people were also keen to explore this.

5. Other Work.

Hayley mentioned that she has been working with a group developing a website called 'The Voice', which acts as a social network for community groups, and asked the members if they were interested in being involved. The Group were happy to investigate this, and Hayley has been asked to get more information for the Group in September.

6. Fundraising.

The Young People were keen to have a few fundraisers at the Village Fayre, with agreement for a 'Treasure Hunt', 'Guess the number of sweets in a jar' and 'Name the Teddy' being agreed.

The young people agreed to work on their ideas, and then meet with James and Hayley on the 11th of August for a final planning session before the Fayre.

Date and time of next meeting.

It was agreed that the next meeting on MY Voice will be held on Tuesday 11th of August at 12.30 to discuss final plans for the fayre.

With there being no further business the meeting closed at 15.30