

HARINGEY COMMUNITY CENTRES NETWORK
Minutes of the Meeting of Haringey Community Centres Network
8th June 2016 at Lordship EcoHub

Minutes of the previous meeting were not available.

Attendees: Anne Gray (local disabled and older people's campaigns), Dave Morris (Lordship EcoHub), Glynis Kirkwood (Lordship EcoHub), Sona Mahtani (Selby Trust).

Apologies: Tony Brennan (Irish Centre), Santosh Chandran, Phillip Udeh (Lord Morrison Hall), Bob Packham (Hornsey Vale), Lynne Brackley (Hornsey Vale), Susie Constantinides (Cypriot Centre), Sarah Miller (Markfield Centre).

The meeting was not quorate but it was decided to go ahead anyway as urgent matters were coming up and the Centres concerns needed to be reflected.

Anne Gray had to leave early therefore it was decided to ask her to contribute first. Anne raised her concerns about the impact of the cuts on daycare centres and community centres that were housing services for older people. She stated that she was concerned that there had been no strategy about shutting down the day care centres and the threat facing community centres. There was a forthcoming scrutiny café that would influence the work of the Scrutiny Panels and Committee and she was keen to ensure that the voices of these community facilities would be heard.

It was confirmed that the Chair of the Overview and Scrutiny Committee (Cllr Charles Wright) received our submission from HCCN completed by Dave and Sona.

It was noted that the Community Centres did have an action plan and that further effort was needed to bring people together to implement it.

It was agreed to hold a meeting at the Lordship Eco Hub. (The original date was 5th August 2016). The event has subsequently been arranged for Friday 23rd September.

Actions: Glynis agreed to book the room at the Lordship Ecohub.

Actions: It was agreed that the Network had been around for a year and needed to elect its officers again. This would be put on the agenda for the next meeting.

Anne left at this point.

Dave, Glynis and Sona agreed there was a role for the community centres to work together, celebrate the achievement of securing an agreement with the council to provide longer leases and this was a key achievement in year 1.

Dave confirmed that the members survey had been sent around again by email. Survey Monkey were charging him again and he needed to be reimbursed. It was agreed he would be reimbursed from the funds secured by Community Builders for the Network. A report was due to confirm the balance remaining from the First Steps grant. It was anticipated that the costs of the event would also be covered e.g. room hire, refreshments.

Action: Phillip

Next Meeting: 23rd September 2016 at 11am - 1pm at the Lordship EcoHub