

Actions from Community Meeting

# Todmorden Together Group

26 February 2020

**Present:**

Diana Tremayne	Debra Todd
Nadeem Mir	Julia Grieve
Claire Connolly	PCSO Dave Evans
Cathy Sewell	PCSO Dan Murphy
Gill Shirt	Melissa Wells
Sharon Pickles	Alice Coates
Jon Hairsine	Chloe Beale
Alice Leadbitter	
Jake Womack	

**Apologies:** Sail Suleman, Inspector Ben Doherty, Cllr Denis Skelton

Minutes from last meeting were agreed.

Update reporting through the portal 99% of it is Sharon Pickles 'third hand' it's much better if it comes from the person who sees/hears/witnesses it. Call 1010 or Crime stoppers.

David Evans advised to use the website e.g. suspicious incidents- it's worth letting the police know e.g. time, date and what has been seen.

**ACTION: Newsletter article- GSH to add.**

Because of intelligence received, a number of enquiries are active and there are a number of people being investigated.

**Racist stickers (NM)**

Bramsche square: spate of stickers, why now? Causing unease, there is also fear and community members are wondering why.

Particularly offensive racist stickers- police looking for CCTV footage, from what police have seen may only be one person. Nadeem was reassured that the investigation is ongoing.

Stickers/templates for stickers can be bought online from a closed group. They are particularly offensive and have caused upset.

Tod fairly well covered by CCTV.

**Jon Hairsine**- focus for the group two-sided aspect- what can the school do to help the community. What can the community do to help the school?

How can we help individuals get placements? Jon referred to one scheme where a school had a vision that no old people in the community would be lonely. The scheme was very successful in this school.

Need ideas for making the school a cornerstone of the community where we could help the community become a better place?

MRW forging links with senior citizens home.

Chloe asked about youth clubs- College youth club 3 nights/week. Central Methodist and St Mary's.

DTR- Tod College project. Once asset transfer happens, we could make links with school- tech/craft bringing generations together. Lots of potential but still early days. Also mentioned repair café. Also Vale Recording studio

**ACTION- newsletter**

GSH suggested series of assemblies.

**ACTION- assemblies/newsletter items**

Working in primary schools/nursery play/ building relationships.

THS students working with Ben the sports coach at Tod C of E School.

Could help with breakfast club 7-8.45. Wake up and shake up (cluster sports lead)

**ACTION- CJC to lead**

National/other primaries= full package of after school clubs e.g. eco warriors.

Todmorden Book festival- (Steve Sweeney)

Want youngsters to be involved.

Jonathan Pomt (friends of the earth).

November- Amanda Brown could sort this out.

**ACTION- CJC TO SORT out with AMB.**

Great Britain spring clean week.

Todmorden accessible forum Dementia friendly walkway- lot of work to be done.

**ACTION- Julia to forward details.**

Flood hub- helping with sandbags.

Could be helping army out.

Eco group- could combine primary and secondary.

Jon explained that care is one of our core values and MRW explained about active citizenship/character development.

Chloe- how do we engage the students who would not normally engage.

Opportunity for young safeguarding advisors.

**ACTION- MRW to investigate and action.**

Use of role models- especially for our boys.

Tod needs more flood wardens.

Kid's fest- children hold activity at the event. Artists and activities Nov/Dec

Put one together August

**ACTION- CJC to action.**

Pushing up daisies / Harvest Festival.

**ACTION- JWO to sort.**

Work experience- could parents sign a disclaimer.

Great spring clean.

20 March- 30 April choose a week.

Calderdale involved IAG, Tod in Bloom.

Jake says we could get involved.

Getting gardener's world in.

Treesresponsibility- more trees.

### **Careers**

Can school play a role without having all the responsibilities?

Alice said we could share/promote.

Alice to invite careers advisor Rob Stoakes to come to next meeting **ACTION- ALC**.

MRW discussed focus training employment opportunities for students' part time cheaper than college places.

Jon said to build up network may be the way forward e.g. team working, professional environment.

Careers week in school next week.

Oxbridge speaker and employers.

Extra week beyond careers week (July).

CS brought up top of Cornholme/Walsden/peripheral areas. Both youth clubs have gone.

### **Raising aspirations- Alice Leadbitter.**

Bid has been refused twice to C 'dale improvement panel as it's not 'in school'.

Alice mentioned careers lead- please involve primaries. Need to have joined up thinking between primary and secondary school. Planning for future and raising aspirations (as they are set by 10) all schools doing it separately. Need money to pay personnel to drive this forward, but it has been refused.

Alice mentioned transition could encompass this/ Claire ambition roadshow- involve primaries

**ACTION- CJC to action**

Alice/primary schools had appealed to parents to speak to children about their careers.

Work with TOPS programme incorporate into careers transition. More days on aspiration, e.g. why do we need a maths GCSE? What careers does it lead to?

**ACTION- CJC**

***Next meeting- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2020, 5.30-7pm in the School Library***