

Telford and Wrekin Infrastructure Consortium
Friday 13th June 2008
2.00 – 4.00

Present

Mick Lloyd, Ella Sips, Peter Beer, Beverly Harris and Diane Cuff.

1. **Apologies**

George Kinnell and Karen Roper.

2. **Minutes of previous meeting**

On page 1, Equality and Diversity policy Ella gave her apologies for not having this done and said that it will be done very shortly.

Mick said that he had not heard of Laura Price from V involved for membership.

AC: Mick to ask George about the compact so it can be emailed to members.

On page 3, resources Diane is to email Ella on what she would like and Ella explained that the underspend has now gone down.

3. **Regional Consortium**

Mick said that the regional Consortium met in June and they were not successful in getting the modernisation plans but they can re-submit but are not offering projects.

The CVS have been successful in getting the Improving Reach bid along with 2 other agencies.

AC: Mick is to say a piece on Radio Shropshire to advertise how we are doing as a consortia, this is to take place mid July.

4. **Youth Service Inspection**

Pete explained that this went well and there was positive feedback and he thanked partners for helping with this.

5. **Modernisation Fund**

Ella said that Diane got the Improving Reach bid which is good news and that 2 projects are going to be negotiated.

AC: Mick and Ella are due to talk to Mark Redding, Capacity Builders Worker on this shortly.

Diane Cuff talked about quality insurance and she is doing some basic training on this.

6. **Terms of Reference**

Mick talked about the Terms of Reference and that there maybe a change going to this. Mick read a piece out to Consortia members in which they agreed that this could be done as the consortia “won’t represent, only reflect engagement”. A standard letter is to go out to groups.

AC: Mick to bring the Terms of Reference to the next meeting so this can be agreed.

The Terms of Reference can be found on the Consortium website.

The membership of the Consortia was discussed and Diane said about having associate members to discuss what we are doing a whole and Ella said that there should be maximum number of members.

7. **Any Other Business**

Procurement – Mick said that he would like the CVS to be able to help groups to provide tenders, apply for contracts and do Service Level agreements. Mick explained that he had met with Victor Brownless and they can work together on this.

The CVS may get someone in post to work on networks.

Diane said that she would like a map on funding to show what groups have grown and groups that are growing.

AC: Kas to put this onto website

Bev talked about the West Midlands Regional Voluntary Sector Network and Pete is to go to the next one in Birmingham. Pete will let us know more once he has been.

Ella and Diane are going to a Capacity Builders conference next Tuesday and will feedback once they have been.

TNA – Ella explained that money has been allocated for this from last year's budget and a letter is to go out next month.

8. Fix-it Fund Bids

3 Fix-it-Fund bids were discussed.

Date of next meeting

Friday 18th July at Meeting Point House 2.00 – 4.00