

Marsden Youth & Community Project meeting

22nd September 2008

Marsden Mechanics

16 people attended the meeting

Keith gave a recap of the last meeting by going through the minutes:-

- Multi Use Games Area – this has been discussed at Area Committee, as at the moment it is not being used to its full potential as there is not good access and there is no lights. It was recommended that John Fletcher apply for funding from the Area Committee to put in lights.
- The house on Marsden Park was also discussed – it is rather small but would be good for project work, Jenni has emailed Dave but not had a reply.
- Colne Valley High School - on the 3rd October there is a meeting about the use of the sports centre in the grounds. The Hub in the school grounds is available but would have to be paid for out of school hours.
- There is still an issue about co-ordinating events that are going on and getting the information out there.
- The meeting went on to introduce the 3 members of the Colne Valley Lions that had come to talk about young Lions known as LEO's . This stands for Leadership, Experience and Opportunity. Rod showed a DVD of what LEO's did. Young people raise money and put it back in to their community. There are the Alpha LEO's who do the activities through school and the Beta LEO's that do activities in the community. Young people gain experience and opportunities through the many activities that they get involved with. The group welcomed the idea but it was thought that they were not yet at a stage where this could be taken on. The young people spoke to Jolene later and thought that it was a good idea to raise money for local charities. The Lions club could hold any money raised on their behalf. The organisation has a website – www.lions.org.
- The group brought up that there was a community association already running and that it may be an idea to see if we could join with them rather than duplicate with another group. This group puts up the Christmas lights in the village.
- The young people gave an over view of the things they had done in the church hall. They had done a weekly cookery course, raised funds to buy majorette batons, arts & crafts, nail art and learnt how to use a sewing machine. Some of the young people were also on a Youth forum.

ACTIONS

Keith to contact Diane Green & Albert Mason re the Community association

Contact members from last meeting

Chase up park building

Next meeting 6th October 7.30pm Marsden Mechanics