

Marsden Youth & Community Project Meeting
Marsden Fire Station
9th December 2008

Present: - Jenni, Gally, Keith, Liz, Jessica Eliot, Anthony Sweet, James Kendrick, Katie Walsh & Amber

Apologies: - Fiona, Cllrs Turner, Ridgway & Fearnley

1. Katie introduced herself: - Organised Chaos is a Mobile Play Team that has had £300,000 from the National Lottery to work in various areas throughout Kirklees with children between the ages of 8-12. The areas are:-

Marsden	Greenhead Park
Soot Hill in Batley	Crow Nest Park
Shelley	Birkenshaw
Birkby	
Firth Cliffe	

Organised Chaos are doing various activities and in Marsden they are in the Mechanics on Thursdays between 4.30 – 6.00. The numbers are not very good at the moment and the group is looking to move the venue to one of the local schools where they hope their will be a better take up.

Amy Woodhead is overlooking the project and is part of the commissioning service. There was a discussion about CRB checks and how everyone working with children and young people needed to have one. Katie would let Jenni know the information of how to go about getting one for all members.

2. Keith sent out an email to all on the address list asking if people would like to be involved in the MYAC meetings and he has had no response as yet.

3. We went through the Aims and Objectives of the group so that they could be approved by all present:-

AIMS;

The Marsden Youth & Community project is set up to improve the facilities and activities available for the Community, Families and Young People of Marsden.

OBJECTIVES;

By working with other organisations provide information, activities and learning opportunities.

Fundraise for the provision of activities and facility use

To link in with other groups working within the Marsden area

To find suitable premises for community use

To act as a focal point for information of activities within Marsden and a voice for the betterment of the area

To lobby for improvements to the Marsden area and the well-being of its residents.

The group thought that all of the above covered all areas and that they should be put on the website. **Jenni to arrange with Dave Parnell.**

4. The Marsden lights switch on event on the 6th December raised £40.
We would like to thank everyone for their help and support with the stall.

5. The group needs to gain acceptance from the Marsden Community Association so that funds raised can be put into their account. Keith to write a letter to the chair to arrange a meeting to discuss further.

Gally has volunteered to look after the books and meet the chair with Jenni.

6. Plans for the Goods Yard still have not materialised and Keith suggested that this be kept as an agenda item so that it is not forgotten.

Jenni to contact John Fletcher about this.

7. The group decided that consultation was needed from young people about what activities should be on in the area. Katie & Jess both said that they could do some consultation with the young people they were already working with.

Keith to contact Ian Bell from Colne Valley High School to see if some could be done through the school.

8. To look into doing a community survey to gain feedback from residents in the village.

Jenni to look into this.

9) Check out Marsden events or any held in the village, so that we may be able to link with them and do some joint work.

Jenni to look into this.

Next meeting 13th January 7.30pm @ Marsden fire station

There will also be a Fire Safety Talk from the Fire Service.