



HAMPSHIRE CHILDREN'S AND FAMILIES FORUM
Minutes of Andover Branch Meeting
Thursday May 8th 2008
TVCS Offices, Wessex Chambers

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Nicky Jones
Martin Goodwin, Ex Services, Partnership manager

(SG) opened the meeting and welcomed everyone.

Introductions of those present

Minutes of last meeting agreed - Funding for HCFF Directories, £2500 for 6000 copies, (SG) to consider commercial advertising to help fund costs of extra copies. (KF) has some information from enquiries into Community Newspaper

Clive Graham - Beyond Horizons, Big Lottery Family Learning Project

A 3-year project to help families in deprivation areas of need in Hampshire. Providing fun family learning intergenerational activities

Jenny Stevens chair of implementation group in Andover.

Set up 5 areas (or Hubs) to work in areas of Andover to include schools, community centers and schools.

£2 – 3000 to spend in first year.

Evaluation from families through feedback on a family fun pass for monitoring of project

Walking carnival for 2008 with links from IOW College and a pantomime planned for early 2009. Possible 'allotments' project to be confirmed

Sue Sheppard – Andover Vision

A 20-year regeneration programme for Andover to engage the community and raise aspirations. The project is moving forward and gaining strength.

Successful theatre with sell out performances

Andover and Sparsholt colleges combining to offer quality further education

Reel cinema scheduled to open 2nd week in June

Andover Live- 4 free events for the community with a Big Festival weekend:

Sports Fayre, Sat June 5th at Vigo Park, sports demonstrations and have a go sessions

Music event, Sun June 6th at Vigo Park with east meets West theme

Food Feast in conjunction with the Farmers Market on Sun Sep 21 in the High Street

Christmas Light Switch On celebration

Prezzo restaurant scheduled to move in to Lower Guild Hall

3000 new homes to be built in Andover

Redevelopment at Ford Cottage site to include a 50-bed hotel, 3 restaurants and 120 apartments

Arts Centre at The Chapel

Pride of Andover awards celebrating voluntary workers

Riverside walk linking Asda and the cinema with the town center, with some sponsorship and land from HAS (LW) noted how much support HAS gives to the community without much recognition

Campaign for an Olympic standard skate park and future priorities to up grade Andover Leisure facilities, particularly the swimming pool

15 June, Fathers Day Pants in the Park at Charlton Athletics pitch, a family 5km fun run to raise money for Prostrate Cancer

www.andovervision.com

Chris Doidge – Andover Sound

Information on new radio station: press release:

North-West Hampshire's brand new radio station launched on May 26th. Andover Sound 106.4FM is a mix of music, news and community information that has the town and local villages at the heart of every sound it makes. It's been a long wait for listeners waiting for a truly local radio station, but the airwaves are at last being filled with sounds and stories from North-West Hampshire. The station's flagship breakfast show, presented by Iain Meadows, has the local news, travel and weather you need every morning, combined with songs from the likes of *Take That*, *ABBA*, *the Bee Gees*, *Madonna* and *George Michael*, all with plenty of comment from the former national radio presenter. During the day, Dina Burgess interviews local stars and plays music from the last fifty years. In the afternoon, Chris Doidge guides you through the big local news stories of the day, and plays the tunes you want to hear while working, driving, cooking and relaxing. And in the evening, Simon Hardwick plays songs just hitting the charts, as well as hearing from local bands and artists. The station's passionate about reflecting stories from the whole community, and is the best place to promote local events and meetings. An hourly What's On guide keeps listeners up-to-date and presenters will be going out-and-about to ensure everyone gets their voice on air. Andover Sound broadcasts twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week, from its studios in East Street. They reach from Tidworth to Whitchurch, the Hurstbournes to the Wallops, and everywhere in-between. And if you pick up one of the station's car-stickers, you could win £106.40 of vouchers to spend at ASDA, in their *Stick It To Win It* competition. All you need to do is put your sticker on your car, and tune in. Your new local radio station, Andover Sound is now loud and clear, 24/7, on 106.4FM.

Heather Bevis – HCIS

Outreach worker for North West and Central in Hampshire providing free childcare information and signposting to families/ parents. Providing extra support for families/ parents with any extra needs.

New telephone number for service 0845 603 5620

(SG) noted some leaflets around town will be out of date. All to remove if come across any

Kim Francis – Extended Schools

Area covers 40 schools in and around Andover. Schools mainly have questions about out of schools provision. More difficult to engage rural schools into ex services.

£8000 for capacity building. Young carers, Lights and AFL have applied for money to help with community projects.

2 clusters have purchased computers for parent information and Virtual Learning experiences.

Parent aid to go live in September – possible links to Andover vision and HCFF Directories to share information (KF) to enquire how / if possible www.andoverparentaid.org.uk

Summer catch up scheme for @ 30 targeted children per cluster from years 5 and 6 to help with numeracy and literacy skills followed by a fun activity

A 28 page Community Newspaper @ Andover Community News' to be launched in July. 3 issues a year delivered to 17000 homes around Andover and 3000 in surrounding villages, commercial advertising to help with costs.

Articles for this edition welcomed by May 23rd

Mags Todd – Turnaround Project Activities Co coordinator

Good attendance and feedback from Spring Holiday activities.

Recycling workshop/ drumming/ sports and intergenerational activities planned for May holidays at King Arthur's Hall.

Weekly summer activities to be confirmed.

50's club has relaunched on a Thursday at Sandringham house 2 – 4pm

HCFF website and Newsletters

Any events to go on the website information board please forward to S.G.

Any articles for forthcoming newsletter please email to S.G, by May 13 if possible please, for inclusion. Delivering newsletters first week of June to families via schools and pre schools, GP Surgeries, Health visitors, Community groups and local venues – now funding for 5000 copies for the Andover area

Information Exchange

DC – HCC Locality team family Support worker. Will be based in Romsey as part of the Test Valley team along side Darren LePetti, supporting parents or children with special needs.

Kay Hendy – Area Inclusion worker for nurseries and pre schools and children with special needs. Extra support and some help with funding for out of schools groups.

HP Andover library opening Sunday's from end of June. 3 children's craft sessions planned for the Summer:

Andover Library

For 7– 11 year olds, come and join us for a crafty hour

22nd July—Make a clay gargoyle

5th August—Make a bead Gecko

19th August—Mosaic pictures and greeting cards

Each session starts at 2pm and will be ticketed but free.

Call in Andover library for details and tickets.

Other activities will be held in the library over the summer and will be advertised in the library nearer the time
Summer Team Read based around sports for the Olympics

JO - Portage Team hoping to get Confident parents, Confident kids programmes to run termly through the Children's Centres in the future. Possibility of service boundaries changing to test valley rather than Andover and Winchester TBC.

LoW – Working on change of Service Standards and building Network childminders around the Children's Centres.

ER – role changed to working on raising the profile and changing standards for Out of schools clubs, A celebration of Out of school workers to be held at The Lights in November

LeW – Family Fun Day at Phoenix Centre May 28th with an old fashioned sports day 12 – 3pm
Youngsters Play Area opening early June at Phoenix Centre

SHH - Children Centre Outreach worker new in post. Events will be planned to raise the profile of CC

MP – Celebration of volunteers at Hilliers, Picnic and music social event – Friday June 13th

CL – A New Community Worker will be in post for the Alamein Ward, Chris Davis from June 2nd employed by Churches Homestart – slight delay in advertising for co coordinator position, will be based in Smannel Road Church
Churches Together Fun Day at Vigo Park – 30 Aug

Askalot Information shop on KAW doing well with increased numbers of people using the service. Hoping to offer debt advice in near future

LH – Initial stages of Phase 3 for the Children's Centres has begun, 23 further centers will be developed across Hampshire.
www.hants.gov.uk/childrens-centres Tel 01962 847291, email childrenscentres@hants.gov.uk for information.

SG – Information from Maggie Fisher ref Family Links Research Project Report by Judith Lee, Roger Norgate, Cara Osbourne, Maria Trail and Maggie. Children rated Circle Time on scale of 1 – 10 as 8.32.

Have report which I can send you if required

Consultation for phase 3 of children's centers www3.hants.gov.uk/phase3consultation by July 31st

Secretary of State for families and Children and the culture Secretary have asked professor David Buckingham to carry out an assessment of the impact of the commercial world on children's well being. Parents and carers are invited to provide comments on any of the main aspects of the assessment www.dfes.gov.uk/consultations

Joint Foreign and Commonwealth/ Home Office forced Marriage Unit was set up in 2005 www.fco.gov.uk/forcedmarraige.

The Forced Marriage (Civil Protection) Act will be implemented in the Autumn

Mental Health Foundation has resource booklets – Whatever Life Brings / Understanding your Child's Mental Health can be downloaded free from www.mentalhealth.org.uk/publications

UNLTD Sports Relief Grants – up to £500 for 11 – 16 year olds who want to make a difference in the area where they live
Kegg 0845 3670770 for details

Date of next meeting

Date of next meeting set for Thursday 11th September 2008, 9.30 am – 11.00am.

To be held at TVCS Offices, Wessex Chambers, South Street, Andover. Thank you to TVCS

(Please note parking is pay and display only, opposite Wessex Chambers or further along South Street on the right)

Close of Meeting

Thank you to speakers for their time and to everyone for attending today.



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