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**MINUTES FOR HCFF HART BRANCH MEETING
HELD AT YATELEY MEDICAL CENTRE, YATELEY
ON 24th April 2008**

Present: Julie Riley - HCFF Hart Co-ordinator, Julia Walker - Family Learning, Yateley, Mary Baldwin - Hart and Rushmoor Branch of NAS, Mark Blackwell - Locality Team Manager, Visitor, Janet Turnbull - Health Visitor, Niki Densley - Area Inco, Lucy Ellis - Fleet Extended Schools.

Apologies, Ann Norton - Area Inclusion Officer, Nicci Davies - Asst Community Officer, Recreation and Heritage, Audrey Wood - Health Visitor, Sharon Weaver - Health Visitor, Kandy Redwood, Jules Roome, Jen Wilson - Community Warden, Sue Fisher - Hart District Council, Amanda Lee - BME, Cay Byford - Contact A Family, Margaret Baldwin - Portage, Jenny Radley - Councillor, Sheila Company - Health Visitor, Caroline Winchurch - HVA, Liv Stockley - Yateley Extended Schools

Minutes of the Last Meeting

The minutes from the last meeting were accepted and approved as correct.

Hart Co-ordinators Report

Julie updated the meeting with recent events within HCFF. She requested that if any activities were happening throughout Hart that they could be advertised on the Branch Calendar days of the HCFF website. The success and ongoing expansion of the Families Matter project was highlighted and it was explained how they would be trying to hold Coffee Mornings for Nepali families in the near future.

Julie explained that there are no Hart Directories currently available and no plans to produce a new one. Fact sheets were being printed and would be made available, but these are joint sheets between Hart and Rushmoor. There is a PDF version of the directory available for downloading on website www.hcff.org.uk

The Hart co-ordinator is currently working from St Barnabas Church, Frogmore and is still contactable on hart@hcff.org.uk.

Website Issues

As mentioned earlier, the website is available to advertise any activities or events that are happening throughout the county. Please forward any articles or information to hart@hcff.org.uk.

Items for the Newsletter

It was explained that the deadline for articles was Wednesday 14th May. The newsletter will be available from 4th June 2008. Please note that we will now have an extra 2500 copies of the newsletter for distribution. If anyone knows of any schools, pre-schools or organisations who would benefit from the newsletter and do not usually receive them please contact the Hart Co-ordinator so that they may be added to the distribution lists.

Local Issues/Information Exchange

Mary Baldwin - NAS

Mary informed the meeting of the campaign 'I exist'. The campaign is dealing with the issues around adults with an Austistic Spectrum Disorder and the provision that is made for them.

A new session has also been made available in Parkside Sensory Suite, Aldershot. This is on Wednesdays 4.00 - 5.00pm and costs £3.00 per child. This needs to be booked in advance by contacting Nikki or Mary.

There are lots of ongoing activities such as a new Gaming Zone. This is held between 10 and 1 on Alternate Saturdays for Children aged 7+. These are held at the Mayfield Community Centre, Totland Close, Farnborough.

There will also be a special Fizzy Kids session on the 1st Tuesday of every month. The price is £3.50 and the usual height and age restrictions do not apply.

All details and much more information is available in the newsletter which can be found at www.nasHandR.org or contact Nikki Smith at BranchOfficer@nashandr.org or call her on 01252 694934.

Lucy Ellis - Fleet Extended Service

Lucy explained how she covered Courtmoor and Calthorpe secondary schools and their 12 feeder schools.

She is currently developing both breakfast and After School Clubs to service these schools and is developing links with childminders in her area.

Extended Services are also producing a directory for the whole of Hart, this should be ready by September. It will be a directory to aid signposting and will be held in the schools not by parents.

Mark Blackwell - Locality Team Manager

Mark gave a brief explanation of his new role. He explained that they now had the full compliment of staff comprising of himself, 3 family support workers and 2 education welfare officers. They would all be based in Fleet. The locality teams main aim is to work with school attendance and CAF. The CAF system is now underway and Mark will provide future CAF training dates.

Details of next meeting

It was good to see you all at the meeting and we hope to see you all again next term. The details for the next meeting are as follows:

Date: Thursday 2nd October 2008

Time: 10.00am - 11.30am

Place: Yateley Medical Centre, Just off Reading Road, Yateley. (Behind Dog and Partridge)

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