



Julie Cunnah, Petersfield and Liss Co-ordinator

Minutes for Branch Meeting Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2007 at Petersfield Library 12.15

Present: , Julie Cunnah, Jenny Hollington (PALS), Alison Hemmings (Out of School Childcare Officer), Matt Healey (Connexions), Trish Biggs (Butser Homestart), Lisa Rose (Connexions), Jo Whitfield (HCFF North)  
Apologies: Karen Cunningham and Ann Hammond

Welcome and review minutes.

No matters arising from last meeting.

Co-ordinators Report – Everyone was handed a copy of the co-ordinators report and Julie briefly explained points from the document.

Jo explained that the Accessing Childcare report was now on the website, and that this quarter will we be working on a consultation for children who are vulnerable ie special needs. The age remit was 5 th 13 years. This would take the form of 5 pamper days held throughout the county – Basingstoke, Fareham, Havant, Rushmoor and the New Forest. Alison pointed out that there was nothing for the EHDC area, but could the questionnaire still go out to groups in other areas. Jo could see no reason why not but would check.

Items for the Newsletter – Julie asked for items for the newsletter to be emailed to her as soon as possible as space would be at a premium this time.

Speaker – Alison Hemmings on the RAPP van.

On Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December at the Partners in Excellence ceremony Alison was presented with the Promoting Childrens Well Being Award for the RAPP Van project (rural areas play project). The Rapp van takes a wide range of toys and play equipment out to rural villages in EHDC during the school holidays. In addition the children have an opportunity to take part in workshops ranging from cricket, basketball, learning to DJ, be a pop star, Arts and Crafts and much more. Each session lasts 1hour 55 min and split into two groups – 4 to 11 and 11 to 16 years. Children under 8 have to bring a carer. Its all inclusive and special needs are most welcome.

Alison handed around leaflets and have an album of photographs for us to view.

Information Exchange:

Matt & Lisa – Connexions help children with personal development, careers and guidance. They have a range of publications and leaflets available. Also looking to come out and promote the work that they do. Please contact Matt for any of the literature you may require.

Trish – Butser Homestart have a volunteer prep course starting in the Spring in the evening. A new family group will be set up after Easter for homestart families. They are also running a positive parenting course at St Peters Church Hall running weekly from the 27<sup>th</sup> Feb – firstly for homestart families and then open to others.

Jenny – PALS is continuing to grow – have about 6 on the books for the EHDC area. February half term they are running an event at Mill Chase which has excellent facilities.

Date of Next Meeting:

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> April at 12.15 Petersfield Library

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