

MINUTES OF PETERSFIELD AND LISS BRANCH MEETING
TUESDAY 18TH JANUARY 2005
PETERSFIELD LIBRARY, TOP FLOOR

PRESENT; JULIE CUNNAH, ANN HAMMOND, MOYA COOKE – PLA, SARAH MELICAN – STAY AND PLAY TODDLERS, VERITY TUCKER-BROWN – PORTAGE, BRENDA PULLEN – LIBRARY, TRISH BIGGS – HOMESTART.

APOLOGIES – ALISON GAULD – THE VOLUNTARY CENTRE

Ann opened the meeting unfortunately due to sickness no minutes were taken from the previous meeting.

A discussion took place on the 0 to 19 paper – a unanimous decision was given to take up this new remit, as it was felt that other children's organizations had moved this way – however there were the following concerns: The co-ordinators are already stretched for time and it was felt further funding would need to be forthcoming to fund extra hours or an extra co-ordinator to do this age group. Training would definitely be needed as many co-ordinators would not have any experience of this age range. Had anyone actually asked the co-ordinators how they felt? Funding would be the key as to whether this would be a success or just a signposting service

Trish Biggs then gave a very interesting and informative talk on the work of Butser Homestart.

Information Exchange: Ann gave an update on the position of the Children's Centre. Verity gave the dates and venue for their group Portage Pals.

Date of next meeting : Tuesday 26th April at 12.15
Petersfield Library Top Floor