

# Uttlesford Youth Initiatives Working Group

## NEW & SUSTAINING PROJECTS INITIATIVE

### FUNDING APPLICATION FORM - 2020 / 21

#### OUR AIM

The aim of the YIWG shall be to support Youth Initiatives that contribute towards improving the Health and Wellbeing of local young people aged primarily 10-19 years and up to 25 years for those with disabilities or exceptional needs, in partnership with other agencies and organisations.

Our first Objective is to work in partnership with stakeholders including young people, to identify the current issues and needs facing the young people of Uttlesford and to review those issues and needs on an annual basis.

As a result of this objective, for this coming year 2019-2020 the top 5 identified issues and needs are:

1. Stress
2. Bullying
3. Anxiety
4. Depression
5. Low confidence

**Organisation:** 1<sup>st</sup> Saffron Walden Boys' Brigade

**Project Name:** Weekly sessions on Zoom

The YIWG is also keen to promote partnership working. Please explain which agencies you have considered that may be able to assist you with this project, including any consultation you have already done.

**Other partners/Consultation:** Boys' Brigade HQ with programme planning.

**DBS Checks [Are Staff members and Volunteers DBS Checked]** Yes

**Governance [Is your organisation constituted with a board?]** Yes

**Proposed start date of project:**

March 2020 (start of first Covid-19 Lockdown)

**Type of Project? [e.g. Youth Group, Sports Club, Drama / Arts Group]**

Have young people been involved in the planning / delivery of the project?

Meetings on Zoom are held with the lads in order for them to have some fun and 'chilling' time with their friends. During these sessions it is a time where we/they can talk to all those on Zoom or in smaller break out rooms. This is very much an opportunity for them to express their anxieties and concerns as well as positive things in their lives and have fun with the mates they no longer see face to face.

Activities on Zoom have included;

Presenting awards (Queen's Badge presented by parents but had a Tottenham Hotspur footballer come on Zoom as a special guest)

Craft sessions (materials delivered to the lads by staff during the week before)

Discussions on subjects such as, 'is it banter or bullying' and 'important items to take on a desert Island'.

Quizzes, challenges and games.

Some of the older lads have organised and taken some activities at these Zoom sessions

**Target Group / Age range of Young People**

Members between the ages of 11 and 19 years

**Project Aims – What are the intended outcomes for the young people participating?**

To retain and foster relationships already established in the group, thus encouraging more normal social interaction which will enhance mental health.

**Please illustrate which of the top 5 identified issues for the year will be addressed by the aims of your project**

All the top five issues are addressed in some way but probably in the following order:  
Stress/Anxiety, Low Confidence, Bullying.

Maybe not so much depression as this is difficult to identify on Zoom but would generally result in non-attendance. We try to follow up on lads who do not appear on Zoom for a couple of weeks.

**Where / When / How often will the project run?** Weekly sessions of an hour or just over held on Tuesday evenings from 7:30pm during school term time.

**How will you measure the Impact / Success of the project?**

We have been pleased to note that around 75% of the members of the group have participated in most sessions. Feedback from parents has been very positive and appreciative.

**FUNDING**

**Breakdown of Project Costs. Please Itemise.**

*Training*

*Resources*

Online activities including Escape Rooms. Materials delivered to lads for weekly online Zoom instruction.

*Premises Hire*

*Transport*

*Other*

<b>TOTAL £560</b>
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*Have you also applied for funding for this project from another source and if so, how much and from whom?*

No

I agree that representatives from the group / organisation will attend a YIWG meeting in order to present the project aims / outcomes of the funding bid in person.

I agree that representatives from the group / organisation will attend a YIWG meeting or Stakeholders meeting in order to present the project outcomes in person.

I agree that all income / expenditure for the project will be evidenced and recorded and that the records will be submitted for inspection.

**Signed: M W Turner**

**Date: 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 2021**

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# **APPENDIX ONE**

## **Youth Initiative Working Group Funding Application Guidance Notes**

- The YIWG funding is intended to support Initiatives that add value to new or existing projects for young people. The young people that benefit from the project must live or attend school in Uttlesford.
- Funding is only part of the support offered to groups. Before submitting an application please contact John Starr [Details below] to arrange a meeting to discuss.
- The young people that benefit from the project must primarily be between 10 and 19 years of age [up to 25 with disabilities or additional needs].
- Funding bids may be made for any amount up to £5,000 and if successful, may be granted for all or part of the bid.
- We will consider part-funding projects when other funding already exists.
- The YIWG group will require each funded project to:
  - Provide invoices / receipts for money spent
  - Attend a YIWG meeting or Stakeholders meeting to present project outcomes in person, if requested.
  - Understand that a member of the YIWG may visit the project if the bid is successful.

For further information or advice please call John Starr on 07973 409566

Please email the completed form to John Starr at UDC - [jstarr@uttlesford.gov.uk](mailto:jstarr@uttlesford.gov.uk)

Alternatively it can be delivered to

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