

## Saffron Walden Youth Outreach Project

### Performance Monitoring and Review, Spring 2023

This report has been compiled at the request of Saffron Walden Town Council and should be read in the context of clause 5 of the appendix to the agreement between the SWTC and the Charity, Information required by SWTC

#### 1. A count of visitors to each youth club:

Wednesday night: 6 - 12

Friday night: 25 - 35

Age groups and activities: we work with young people from 13 to 19. The majority of the current group are aged between 14 and 15.

Please note that successful youth work should not be judged on a total numbers basis: working with young people is often best achieved on a one to one basis.

#### 2. Annual report

- a. Major events: We took part in Saffron Walden Carnival, with a float accompanied by five of our young people.

New initiatives: We have formed close links with the Police in particular with Ryan MacNamara. Mental health is a major concern and Youth Workers are looking out for issues and making referrals where necessary. Vaping has been banned on health grounds. We are working to counter misogyny, and its influence through 'drill' music.

Plans for next 12 months: we hope to increase the outreach work if funding can be identified.

- b. KPIs, incl. the following:

Number of members: 119 on the list, of which 50 have attended in the last 3 months.

Number of outreach sessions and contacts: during the summer we carried out ten outreach sessions. A further five sessions have been carried out since then.

Events and activities; Cinema night, pancake evening, air hockey and table football competitions.

Youth member rating; in progress.

Volunteer growth and retention; we have nine volunteer youth workers, of whom six have recently joined (this is in addition to the 5 volunteers who act as trustees and the four paid staff).

Donations; we anticipate donations from Cllrs Asker and Eke.

3<sup>rd</sup> party funding; An application has been made to the Round Table improved facilities and equipment; we acknowledge, with grateful thanks, the provision of air hockey, table football and space invaders from Essex Youth Services

The performance of all these indicators should be reported quarterly and formally reviewed annually.

c. Income and expenditure – see accounts for the year 2021 -2022 previously supplied

d. Volunteers are DBS checked through Essex Youth Services. 6 are checked, 3 are awaiting checking. Training: a course in First Aid is being set up by Essex.

e. Facilities, resources, changing needs of young people: the facilities provided by Essex are not ideal, but the Charity acknowledges the considerable value of the agreement with Essex to use their premises.

f. Inventory: other than an A3 printer the SWYOP has no equipment of its own

g. Insurance: please see confirmation of insurance already supplied.

h. AOB

i. Funding sources: Essex County Council (in the form of premises, training, DBS etc); Uttlesford District Council and in particular Saffron Walden Town Council.

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