

AGENDA MANAGEMENT SHEET

Name of Committee Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee
Date of Committee 29th November 2006
Report Title Youth and Community Service – Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Annual Report – November 2006

Summary The report is a progress report upon the work of the Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Youth and Community Service that includes the Area Community Education Council (ACEC), the Youth Service and the Community Development Projects from across the area.

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Would the recommended decision be contrary to the Budget and Policy Framework? [please identify relevant plan/budget provision] No

Background papers None

CONSULTATION ALREADY UNDERTAKEN:- Details to be specified

Other Committees

Local Member(s) Not applicable

Other Elected Members Spokespersons for information:
Cllr Richard Grant – “noted for consideration by Nuneaton & Bedworth Area Committee”
Cllr Jill Dill-Russell

- Cabinet Member Cllr Izzi Seccombe
- Other Cabinet Members consulted Cllr Colin Hayfield
- Chief Executive
- Legal Victoria Gould – comments made to be covered at Area Committee meeting
- Finance
- Other Strategic Directors
- District Councils
- Health Authority
- Police
- Other Bodies/Individuals

FINAL DECISION **YES**

SUGGESTED NEXT STEPS:

Details to be specified

- Further consideration by this Committee
- To Council
- To Cabinet
- To an O & S Committee
- To an Area Committee
- Further Consultation

**Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee –
29th November 2006**

**Youth and Community Service – Nuneaton and Bedworth
Area Annual Report – November 2006**

**Report of the Strategic Director for Children,
Young People and Families**

Recommendation:

That the Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee endorse the progress report of the Youth and Community Service in Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough.

1. Background

- 1.1 The Community Education Service in Nuneaton and Bedworth has had, in previous years, four main service themes, namely:
- (a) Area Community Education Council (ACEC)
 - (b) Adult Service
 - (c) Youth Service
 - (d) Various aspects of Community Development Work.
- 1.2 In March 2005 the Adult Service became a separate Adult and Community Learning Service, with the ACEC and Youth Service remaining as one service under the umbrella of the Youth and Community Service Officer. This report focuses on the work of the Youth and Community Service including the ACEC.

2. Policies and plans

- 2.1 All of the above service provision is underpinned by the following policies and plans:
- County Strategic Plan
 - County Single Education Plan (2004/05 – 2009/10)
 - Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Business Plan (2006/07)
 - Local Strategic Plan (Nuneaton and Bedworth Forward)
 - Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Community Learning Plan (2006/07)

Children Act Project Team Vision (2005)
Children and Young People's Plan (2006).

- 2.2 In addition the Area Community Education Council is/was supported by:
ACEC Guidelines and Handbook April 1998 Edition.
- 2.3 The Youth Service is supported by:
National Connexions Agenda
National Transforming Youth Work Agenda including "Youth Matters"
National Resourcing Excellent Youth Service Policy (REYS Standard)
Youth and Community Services Ofsted Action Plan (2006)
Youth Service Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Plan (2006/07).
- 2.4 The Community Development Work in Nuneaton and Bedworth is supported by:
Funding agreement between Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council and the former WCC Education Department
Grant Agreements with various other funding agencies which include BSN and LSC amongst just a few.
- 2.5 Each of the three service areas is inspected by different regulatory regimes namely:
- (a) Area Community Education Council is monitored by the Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee
 - (b) Youth Service is inspected by the Office for Standards in Training and Education (Ofsted)
 - (c) The Community Development Work in Nuneaton and Bedworth is monitored by the Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Committee, Nuneaton and Bedworth Borough Council and the Building Safer Communities grant team.

3. Timeframes

Whilst the financial year of all three services' themes run from April to March, the time periods for the targets and objectives of each service do not:

- (a) ACEC operational year for targets is April to March each year
- (b) Youth Service operational year for targets is April to March each year
- (c) Community Development Work operational year for targets is September to August each year.

4. Service updates

- 4.1 From April 2006 the Youth and Community Service is part of the new Services for Young People division as one of the six divisions of the Children, Young People and Families Directorate. As such its focuses on the outcomes of

Every Child Matters through the new Strategic Board and arrangements within the Local Area Agreement which both form the overriding drivers for the contribution of the Service to their associated targets.

- 4.2 ACECs were disbanded as of 31st March 2006 with their residual funding being administered by Area Youth and Community Officers who have adhered to the previous priority criteria to ensure there remains as much consistency as is possible for the smaller voluntary organisations as is possible in these times of change.
- 4.3 As the ACECs were under review throughout 2005/06 not surprisingly this affected the motivation of many ACEC members. However the commitment of a significant core group enabled work to continue and grant applications to be properly examined. Attached at **Appendices A and B** are an itemised breakdown and summary of grants approved by the ACEC in 2005/06 and progress for 2006/07.
- 4.4 The Nuneaton and Bedworth Area Youth Service has now completed two years of young person contact targets as identified by government policy and is commencing the increased targets of the second year – see **Appendix C** (Objectives 2005/06) and **Appendix D** (Targets 2006/07). The Service has experienced considerable difficulty in meeting some targets due to significant staff shortages over much of the past twelve months. However the youth work team has been at full strength since August 2006.
- 4.5 The Youth and Community Development Workers have successfully continued to develop various projects. These include the redevelopment of Bedworth Youth Centre and the new Camp Hill building(s).
- 4.6 Perhaps the most pleasing aspect of the previous year was the Warwickshire Youth Service successfully passing the Ofsted inspection and the successful budget bids that enabled the Service to begin to develop new areas of work that were previously unable to do so. Particular reference should be drawn to increasing work with disabled young people, an area of growth from which Nuneaton and Bedworth will benefit.
- 4.7 A report is due to be presented to Cabinet that will resolve the future of the funding currently identified under ACEC expenditure. Following consultation with Area Committees in May 2006, transitional arrangements are in place for 2006/07 so that groups suddenly do not find themselves without an income. The grants that have been distributed to date form part of this report. In the past ACEC funding has been allocated across the County using population, free school meals, rurality indicators and percentage of BME populations and unemployment. The new process will enable a review of this approach and consider what gaps there are against a clearly established needs analysis.

5. Conclusion

2005/06 was an uncertain year for the Youth and Community Service with the ongoing Review of Services for Young People (including ACECs), the Green Paper on Youth (Youth Matters) and evolving arrangements within the new Children, Young People and Families Directorate and County Council as a whole. However managers enabled a clear focus on the Youth Service as the attached appendices reflect.

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Nuneaton & Bedworth ACEC Awards 2005 – 2006

Summary

2005/06 was another good year for the Nuneaton and Bedworth ACEC committee and progress had continued from the previous year.

The ACEC committee had a busy year with affiliations and grant applications running at high levels throughout 2005/06.

By the end of March 2006 the ACEC committee had 120 affiliated groups under category 1 class with a further 49 affiliated groups within the category 2 class – another four organisations have county-wide affiliation.

A total of 72 grant awards had been made throughout the year that supported the work of local groups.

These awards supported the work of rural groups operating within the villages – as well as work from community groups within the towns of Nuneaton and Bedworth.

All age ranges of the population during the year were supported by the ACEC awards, for example:

- younger children work by the Scout movement
- young people work by WAYC at Bedworth Heath and the Nuneaton Club for Young People
- adult work by the ACL team
- work with BME young people.

The ACEC were able to support a wide range of specialist organisations by grant aid. For example some of these organisations were:

- Bedworth Arts Centre £2,600
- Sikh Mission Centre £1,700, Asian Boys Group with Outdoor Education £500, Pioneers Youth Group £2,000.

For a complete list please refer to the following pages identifying all the grants.

All of the funds allocated to the ACEC were distributed to local groups.

Nuneaton and Bedworth ACEC

Grants 2005 - 2006

YOUTH		FLEXIBLE / OTHER		COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOLS		TOTAL
£32,700 J2V3		£20,225 J2U2		£26,000 J2C2		£78,925
Already allocated to 3 voluntary projects J2V2	9,700.00	Bedworth Gateway	1,800.00	St. Giles	2,500.00	
Nuneaton Club for Young People	1,500.00	Bulkington YC	2,000.00	Higham Lane	2,100.00	
BME Young People in Bedworth	2,000.00	Relate	1,246.05			
Nuneaton & Bedworth Scouts	1,500.00	Youth Participation	7,500.00	Leyland After School Club	1,000.00	
Take a Break	3,000.00	Keresley Family History Society	740.00	Manor Park	3,000.00	
Pioneers	3,000.00	Children's Coton Trust	498.98	Keresley	500.00	
Detached Youth work	3,000.00	Nuneaton & Bedworth ACL Team	481.00	Bulkington Village Centre	500.00	
Detached - Playscheme	500.00	Keresley Fete	450.00	Sikh Mission	1,000.00	
Mean Machine	470.00	PLA	500.00	Camphill FCC	432.00	
George Eliot YC	500.00	BSN Bedworth Heath	500.00	Camphill FCC	300.00	
Detached Project	400.00	Camphill Festival	350.00	Exhall Grange	1,000.00	
Bedworth 1st Scouts	250.00	BSN Bedworth Heath	454.00	Camphill Detached Project - Rent	1,921.23	
Park House Young People	205.63	Kings Community Church	250.00	George Eliot	300.00	
Ellivate Girls Fest	1,000.00	PLA	456.00	Etone School	500.00	
Pioneers	410.00	CCI	500.00	FCCC Camphill	432.00	
Crescent Youth Club	485.00	ACL WCC	1,320.00	Race Leys School	1,050.00	
Crescent Youth Club	500.00	CCI	500.00	St. Giles School	2,080.00	
Piston Ring	1,000.00	Bedworth Gateway	678.83			
Youth 180	140.00	Life Education	1,000.00			
N&B LT Bedrock	500.00	Nuneaton Caribbean Association	500.00			
Asian Boys Group	500.00	George Eliot Community Centre	500.00			
11th Hour Arts	1,000.00	St. Giles	450.00			
D of E	500.00	PLA	401.00			
Fire & Rescue - D of E	500.00	PLA	456.00			
Youth 180	335.00	George Eliot Community Centre	500.00			
Youth 180	385.00	Rainbow Sunshine	375.00			
Youth 180	435.00	Bedworth Heath	264.38			
		Park House Club for Adults	1,224.00			
	£33,715.63		£25,895.24		£18,615.23	£78,226.10

Balance Remaining

£698.90

Nuneaton and Bedworth ACEC

Grants 2006 - 2007

VOLUNTARY YOUTH ORGANISATIONS		VOLUNTARY ORGANISATIONS		COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOLS		ADULT		TOTAL
£43,000 J2V3		Under 8s £1,000 J2U2		£17,000 J2C2		£2,000		£63,000
WAYC	3,000.00	Hand in Hand	500.00	Bedworth BME Rent St.Giles	2,500.00	Gateway Transport	2,000.00	
Bulkington	3,000.00	Manor Court Baptist	500.00	St Giles YC	2,520.00			
Keresley Detached	3,000.00			Higham Lane	1,700.00			
Bedworth Heath	3,000.00			Race Leys	1,100.00			
BME Work Bedworth	2,000.00			Bedworth BME Rent Exhall	180.00			
St Giles YC	2,950.00			George Eliot Y&C Centre	500.00			
Pastels	2,000.00			Camphill Comm Office Rent	1929.38			
Camphill Community Festival	500.00			St. Giles	2470.00			
Crescent YC	415.00							
Asian Regeneration	300.00							
Ram Ravers	188.00							
Pioneers	2,000.00							
Target	2,000.00							
Terence Higgins Trust	750.00							
Bedworth Arts Centre	2,600.00							
N/B Leisure Trust - Festival	500.00							
Take a Break	3,000.00							
George Eliot Youth Centre	500.00							
Nuneaton Boys Club	1,500.00							
Sikh Mission Centre	1,760.00							
BHK	2,500.00							
Bedworth Arts Centre	600.00							
	38,063.00				12,899.38		2,000.00	52,962.38

Balance Remaining

£10,037.62

Those marked in **Bold Type** represent ACEC Grants that draw figures against REYS STANDARDS

Nuneaton and Bedworth Youth and Community Objectives 2005 – 2006

	Objectives	Success / Measure	Status
ACEC			
1.1	To ensure that the Nuneaton and Bedworth ACEC is managed to enable an easy transition into its next stage of development when decided upon	An easy transition/handover into the ACEC's next stage of development.	Achieved
1.2	To ensure that the ACEC completes its existing stage of development efficiently and effectively	Ensure that the administration is completed. Local voluntary groups are feeling supported. Ensure that the ACEC committee feels valued.	Achieved
Young People's Services			
2.1	To have meaningful contact with young people in Nuneaton and Bedworth (25% of the total 13-19 years population of the Borough) – 2,647	To be confirmed by Youth Service Information Systems	More capacity required
2.2	To have an ongoing relationship with young people in Nuneaton and Bedworth (15% of the total 13-19 years population of the Borough) – 1,588	To be confirmed by Youth Service Information Systems	Ditto
2.3	To be able to demonstrate that young people of the Borough have progressed or developed due to youth service intervention – 953	To be confirmed by Youth Service Information Systems	Working practices still to be altered
2.4	To be able to demonstrate that young people of the Borough have achieved a certificate/accredited outcome due to youth service intervention – 477	To be confirmed by Youth Service Information Systems	Pilot projects in progress to development
2.5	Provide drug prevention programmes in all youth centres and detached teams	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.6	Provide smoking cessation programmes in all youth centres and detached teams	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.7	Provide alcohol misuse programmes in all youth centres and detached teams	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.8	Deliver seven Crimebeat programmes across the area	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.9	Ensure all centres are open a minimum of 4 hours per week for young people provision	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.10	Install internet provision at all maintained centres	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.11	Upgrade all centres to acceptable standards of comfort and health & safety	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Achieved
2.12	Ensure all projects/clubs adhere to the youth service curriculum and use the youth service information reporting system	To be confirmed by Youth Service Quality Assurance Systems	Working practices still to be altered

	Objectives	Success / Measure	Timescale
	Community Development Projects		
3.1	Complete the redevelopment of Bedworth Youth Centre to offer a better service to young people and the local people	Centre is completed to high standards and area	Achieved
3.2	Contribute to the completion of the Centre for 31 st March 2007 and appoint suitable staffing to enable both the new centre and the FCCC to offer a wider and more varied programme of work	Centre on schedule movements to review staffing and put in place; meetings, time frameworks	Achieved and upto date
3.3	To widen the involvement of young people in the Area Youth Forum and in particular involve local secondary schools in the MYP process	This is clear evidence that mor3e young people are involved in the process	Achieved The securing of additional funds form the Area Committee to allow greater capacity

WCC Youth and Community Targets 2006 – 2007

Nuneaton and Bedworth Area

Subject Area	Target	Progress
Participation of population	25% of total population within 13-19 years	More provision needed to meet targets
Recorded outcomes	60% of young people participating in the youth service provision	
Accredited outcomes	30% of young people participating in the youth service provision	Four pilots being used to respond to targets
Drug prevention programme	Minimum of 10 schemes across the Borough	On course to meet targets
Smoking cessation programme	Minimum of 10 schemes across the Borough	On course to meet targets
Alcohol misuse programme	Minimum of 10 schemes across the Borough	On course to meet targets
Provision of internet access within clubs	Minimum of eight clubs being "wired" for internet use	Already achieved
Locations that are safe and good quality for youth work	All locations wherever youth work occurs	Already achieved
All youth clubs open a minimum of 4 hours / week	Minimum of eight club locations	Six out of eight open for four hours per week
Adherence to Youth Service administration	All statutory youth service provision and substantive voluntary sector supported provision	Statutory provision use service administration, voluntary sector starting to use service admin
Adherence to Youth Service Quality Assurance standards	All statutory youth service provision and substantive voluntary sector supported provision	Statutory provision on course to meet targets, more work in voluntary sector
Adherence to Every Child Matters Five Outcomes	All statutory youth service provision and substantive voluntary sector supported provision	Both sectors on course to meet target
Young people's involvement in democracy	Provision of a Youth Council, election of three Area Reps for County Panel, young people to attend management committees	Youth Council and Area Reps achieved; more to do on young people attending management committees
Programmes in schools / colleges	Three programmes ran during year	On course to meet targets
Work with BME community	Members from BME community make up 9% of service users	Reviewing widening participation policy at local level
Work with disabled young people	Minimum of three projects	Already achieved
Anti bullying workshop	Minimum of one project	On course to meet target
Sexual relations programme	Minimum of 10 schemes across the Borough	On course to meet target
Building positive community relations	Programmes run in each youth club	More work to be completed
Anti crime projects	Eight Crimebeat projects across area	On course to meet target