

## Summary of Minutes of The Ridge Board Meeting: Monday 23 May 2016

Please be aware that these summary notes are intended solely for the purpose of indicating the general discussions held by The Board and those who report to it, and should not be inferred to be a full transcript.

Present: Kate Darrah, David Spilsbury, Kenn Amabilino, Mary Darrah, Adrian Girling (1, 2)

### 1 AR report:

- Some paid work approved
- Resource planning will be done by the end of next week
- Strategy for the delivery service/van by the end of August

### 3 Training:

- Employability Fund – 2 new starts (of 5)
- JC+: KD speaking to them this week
- ELC confirmation needed to develop training
- Vulnerable adult referrals active

### 4 Café Report:

- Average daily turnover is consistent, noticeable that we are selling lots more coffee.
- We raised £62 for stroke association with the tombola
- Now fundraising for Ecuador through Elena - the Courier were in on Saturday to take a photo to advertise the event she is doing in June.
- We are doing summer club for kids (not 1st 2 weeks as we will close for annual leave)
- Working with Tesco & the Coop to utilise food they don't use; we will repurpose and do a supper on Monday nights.
- Looking into a holiday hunger programme for the summer holidays as there are kids who don't get fed properly in the summer - we are liaising with the school to get to the right people.
- Coop & butcher may give us stuff daily
- Monday night referral suppers (alternating with cookery classes): Tesco Fairshare, Coop contributions including chest freezer from the Coop
- Breakfast & lunch clubs proposed for kids and their families over the summer

### 5 Finances:

- CC to meet accountant
- KD to sort out TRC accounts
- KD & GL met someone from social work who will help with accessing training for TR staff. Links with Community Psychiatric Nurses need building.
- Need to look for more secure funding with emphasis on local needs
- KA proposal to collaborate with external training company to be pursued

### 6 Matters arising:

- NHS: KD asking referring GPs if they would submit funding requests on our behalf
- Area Partnership: KD to meet with Pippa Sawn
- CIC Report to go in with the accounts

### 7 AOB:

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- Website: meeting last week about text – needs updating before approaching new funders
- Policies need review by Board members
- Feasibility Study – Richard Baty wants it on the website: **ACTION:** DS to write accompanying text. The Board's conclusion is not to proceed as too expensive & too reliant on the Employability Fund

Next Board meeting 19.00 04 July 2016, location TBD

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