

ALTRINCHAM COMMUNITY PANEL MEETING
28th SEPTEMBER 2011

PRESENT: Ron Smith, Tommy Brooks, Audrey Knight, Cllr Houraghan, Grant McKenzie, William O'Hara, Mary Marsden, Mary Blackburn, Bert Houghton, Jean Stanbank, Leon Chipchase, John Kill, Cllr Bowker, Paul Huxley, Tina Huxley, Andrew Smith, Andy Roberts.

Wendy Ratcliffe, Jane Green, Debbie Gorman, Hazel Abbott, Julie Nelson.

APOLOGIES: Lynn Toop, Alan Peckitt

MEETING OVERVIEW

John Kill opened the meeting and advised that he was stepping down as Chair and would not be standing for re-election.

Funding of Youth Worker Post

John asked Julie Nelson to go through the Youth Worker report. The proposals for the youth workers for the next financial year were

- a) A fourth youth worker to be recruited and panels pay £120,000 towards the salaries of the four officers
- b) Each panel to fund the current youth workers salaries to a total of £90,000 and allow £25,000 to pay towards projects.

John advised that Andy Roberts was present at the meeting as he had been to the previous Chair's meetings

It was agreed in principle to continue to fund the youth workers from the Altrincham panel- agreed to keep 3 youth workers and look at different options for a possible fourth worker.

Community Budget Voting

There was a general discussion about the facilitation of the panel and it was agreed that this would be raised at a higher level.

With regard to the scoring meeting it was agreed that copies of the bids would be available on the night for core members to look at. Also any core members who wished for the papers to be e-mailed to them should let a member of THT staff know their e-mail address and they would be sent to them.

Andy Roberts advised the panel about Participatory Budgeting (PB) and there was a brief discussion about this.

It was agreed to take approximately £1000 out of the Chair's Purse for the 2011 panel Christmas Meal.

Annual General Meeting

Jane advised that there had been one nomination for Chair from Leon Chipchase. It was agreed that as there were no other nominations there would be no need for a secret ballot and Leon was duly elected as Chair. There were no nominations for Vice Chair.

The core members were agreed as follows:

Cllr Ray Bowker
Timmy Brooks
Cllr Brenda Houraghan
Tina Huxley
John Kill
Audrey Knight
Grant McKenzie
Jean Stanbank
Lynn Toop
Alan Peckitt
Ron Smith
Herbert Houghton

John Kill was presented with a gift to thank him for his work as Chair of the Altrincham Panel.