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Action Notes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 15 November

Core Membership:

Councillor John Fisher (Chair), Cllr Tom Daly, Cllr Katie Graham, Cllr Lesley Hill (Leiston Town Council), Cllr Maureen Jones (Aldringham Parish Council), Cllr Marianne Fellowes (Aldeburgh Town Council), Cllr Mary Schedrin (Friston Parish Council), Cllr Di Eastman (IP17 Good Neighbour Scheme, Saxmundham Town Council), Sharon Cuthbert (Leiston Good Neighbour Scheme), Cllr Paul Richards (Snape Parish Council), Cllr Russ Rainger (Snape Parish Council),

Others present –Jo Belfield (Communities Officer, ESC), Joss Mullett (Communities Officer, ESC) Nicole Rickard (Head of Communities, ESC), Alli Stone (Democratic Services Officer, ESC)

Apologies: Cllr Julian Cusack, Cllr Sarah Whitelock, Helen Greengrass, Cllr Ali Lumpkin

Item	Discussion
1.	Welcome and introduction Cllr John Fisher (JF) welcomed everyone to the meeting.
2.	Action Notes The action notes of the meetings held on 28 September 2023 were agreed.
3.	Updates Nicole Rickard (NR) updated on the most recent meeting of the community Partnership Board. A workshop had been held on the boards tackling inequalities priority. Some of the ideas from this would be presented to this meeting later for feedback. The next meeting in December would discuss rural issues with a presentation from Community Action Suffolk.
4.	Community Issues Marianne Fellowes (MF) referred to the upcoming Full Council meeting and asked if more information could be shared around the warm hubs proposal.

	<p>NR confirmed that funding had been allocated for 22 warm welcome rooms. No applications had been received from this area, and if there were any groups that would be interested applications would be welcome.</p> <p>NR confirmed that there was some additional funding through the Community Cost of Living Fund (to be launched on Friday) for venues that couldn't open for eight hours a week as required for the warm welcome, but could still offer a regular space.</p> <p>MF referred to a number of jobs being advertised at East Suffolk Council concerning Sizewell C. MF asked why this was being done now before the Development Consent Order for Sizewell C had been agreed.</p> <p>Cllr Daly (TD) stated that the Council had to start advertising these posts now so that they were prepared for the start of the DCO and staff were in place. The Council did not have any additional information on the timeline for this.</p> <p>NR stated there had been discussions about how the community partnership could assist people with bidding into any community funds for Sizewell C and whether this should be a rolling priority for the CP.</p> <p>Russ Rainger (RR) asked if there was any learning from the Melton, Woodbridge and Deben CP about digital inclusion and information sharing and if any of the information could be shared from this CP to help parishes in this area. Likewise the Kesgrave, Rushmere St Andrew, Martlesham, Carlford and Fynn Valley Community Partnership was looking at road traffic safety, and could any learning from this be shared with this CP as road safety was a concern here. Joss Mullett (JM) confirmed he would pass on any additional information from these groups that wasn't available from their agendas/notes.</p> <p>A consultation is ongoing around mobile libraries, led by Suffolk County Council about how the mobile library services are used. The group was encouraged to feedback with how people were helped by this service, not just the numbers of people helped.</p> <p>Paul Richards summarised details of a small development of social housing was being developed on the edge of Snape. He could share details with anyone who was interested.</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>Project Proposals</p> <p>ALS Community Partnership Forum (£720)</p> <p>This would be a smaller version of the forum event held by the Community Partnership Board each year, but focussed on the local area and the VCSE and communities in this area.</p> <p>The cost would cover venue hire and refreshments for the day.</p> <p>The day would include guest speakers to talk about what the CP has done and was aiming to do.</p> <p>Other groups from the council would be encouraged to join through a marketplace event.</p>

A workshop would be held in the afternoon on each priority to develop a project idea.

The group asked questions about:

- Using a venue which had a more flexible space for breakout rooms.
- Whether there could be some youth representation at the event.
- Whether the event could be held slightly later in the day to attract both young people and businesses.

ACTION: £720 to be allocated to the ALS Community Partnership Forum

Oral Health funding for schools and youth groups (£5,800)

This would make funding available to all primary and secondary schools and up to three local youth groups/support services to make oral health items available. Money would be allocated to schools based on the number of pupils rather than a flat amount for each group. It would be up to schools what they provided as it was recognised that schools in some areas may not need a stock of essential items and might prefer to spend this money on educational items.

Feedback would be gathered from the schools on what this funding was used for, and the project would be followed up on after six months to inform any additional projects.

NR stated that many of the people who came into the cost of living hub did not have access to toothbrushes. Four community partnerships had supported similar projects, but this project was different as it focussed on whole schools not specific age groups. The Board was looking at this as a pilot to see how this could be rolled out.

The group asked questions around:

- How foodbanks could provide these items. Some foodbanks did when they had stock available. There was a proposal to provide these through foodbanks.
- How these would be distributed within schools. JM stated this would be up to the schools how they managed this as they would be most aware of what the issues were and which pupils needed help. They would also be aware of how to broach the subject with their pupils and families.
- If funding could be used to fund a hygienist to go into schools to share information more proactively. JM stated he would speak with DentAid about how they could support this. JM stated he could also provide schools with examples of what could be done rather than them having to come up with ideas on their own.

JM confirmed he would give schools ideas of what they could do, and that he would support them in applying for the grant to make it as easy as possible.

ACTION: £5800 to be allocated to the Oral Health funding for schools and youth groups project

<p>6.</p>	<p>Lets Talk Dementia</p> <p>A proposal had been sent out via email for a mapping project to identify what resources were available. The group that was doing this would report back to the CP on where the remaining money could be spent to help close this gap.</p> <p>There had been some delay in this due to the change in officers. There had also been a delay in finding a service to do this as the initial provider had pulled out. MF asked that the information on where services were available would be provided to members. JM confirmed that information would be shared with communities.</p>
	<p>CP Priorities</p> <p>NR gave a presentation on the CP Boards tackling inequalities priority, summarising the three areas being considered under this which were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Mental Health and Wellbeing Poverty, including Absolute Poverty Young People’s Health and Wellbeing <p>NR summarised some projects which were being done under each area at the moment, and some potential new projects the board were looking into.</p> <p>NR gave a presentation on the Rural Business and Community Hub Fund which was being run as part of the Councils Rural Prosperity Fund. NR summarised the types of projects which could applied for from this grant and the key questions groups needed to consider when they applied for funding.</p> <p>Webinars on this fund were being held and help was available from CAS to support funding applications. All CP partners were asked to promote the fund to local facilities as it was a great opportunity and aligns well with the CP priority around Community Hubs.</p>

The meeting concluded at 17:26 pm