

**Odd Down Community Association Executive meeting  
Minutes 12<sup>th</sup> February 2025**

**Those attending:** Peter Perkins (chair), Joel Hirst, Steve Hedges, Jo Peters, Liz Vincent, Ruth Wishart, Ju Mac, Debs Cutler & Graham Pearson.

Apologies: Duncan McGibbon.

- 1) **Minutes** 11<sup>th</sup> December 2024 approved.
  
- 2) **Defibrillator:** Now fitted and operational. Maintenance? In 4 to 5 years expected replacement of pads and battery so need to allow for financial impact with a form of reserve. Potential to fit 'bleed kit' next to De-fib? Peter to investigate possibility.
  
- 3) **Youth Work:** Discussions still continuing to take forward the plan to re-start open access youth work at the Community centre with Youth Connect South-West and funding from B&NES CIL grant. Info from by Graham & Peter. Discussion and sharing of ideas on how to get a good idea what young people would want, what we could attract (running, football, Bath Rugby, BMX), how we could find out (survey, street survey, home survey). All supportive of plans and wish to see progress. Meeting also supported looking into the longer-term future and arrangements at the Centre to enable it to continue to offer space for youth work. Graham & Joel to follow up within Council and check position of and with BAPP.
  
- 4) **Grants:** Financial summary circulated showing funds currently available for allocation and grants that had been made during 2024.

Balance 10 February 2025	<b>£8,431.51</b>	<i>Statement 31 January</i>	
Awards4All remaining (restricted)	£3,410		
	£5,021		
Burial Fund (repayment due)	£419		
Fun Day receipts	£930	£491 + £439	
Balance Feb 2025	<b>£6,275</b>		
reserves	<b>£2,000</b>		
Funds available Feb 2025	<b>£4,275</b>	<i>£2,000 to support Youth project</i>	

Questions posed about several options. List of previous awards to be circulated so we might consider revisiting. New application from and discussion on previous applications, some of which there was not agreement (painting container) and some which seemed to have dropped out of sight (planting in the 'triangle'). Members to consider potential grants to support local services and projects.

- 5) Fun Day 6<sup>th</sup> July @ Sports Ground. 12noon to 4pm.** Update from members on Fun Day team. Planning going well with good interest from stall holders. Publicity considered (Banner(s), Notice Boards, posters). Extras: choir, Drama Group? Still need to recruit volunteers.
  
- 6) Community News.** **a)** Questions about new building by pharmacy. Planning info to be posted on Facebook. **b)** Somer Valley development by WECA and B&NES over A37/367 which will affect Wellsway – all invited to look at plans and public exhibition due in March at St Lukes. **c)** Sulis Down planning inspection/hearings completed. Results in about 2 months. **d)** Culverhay School demolition programme will mean re-siting of activities (Hindu temple, Alternative schooling, some sports) to be clear by summer. Special community good-bye around building to be arrange for former pupils. Sports fields future unclear.
  
- 7) Next meeting: March 12<sup>th</sup>** to follow up on above and plan for AGM. Also on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2025 for approval of info to be presented to AGM. Decide on AGM leaflets.