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AGENDA ITEM 10

YOUTH WORK SESSIONS - LYNEHAM

October, November and December 2019

Introduction

This report sets out to provide a recap of the CMAS provision in Lyneham. Data is provided for October, November and December 2019 for the youth club in the MOD Community Centre on Friday's. The report shows the effectiveness of the sessions which young people choose to come along to, and the advice and signposting given by trained youth workers.

Background

Whilst most of the young people previously attending the youth club have moved on to university and army training, the youth workers have noted that they still come back occasionally to check in with the youth workers and seek their advice.

Some of the young people in this group are considered to have risky behaviours due to the use of drugs and alcohol and being 'under the radar' of other agencies and we have been able to give them information and support. Recently it has become clear that a few young people in this groups are also working with Motiv8 for drug use support.

We offer a central space where young people can come free of charge and take shelter, have a hot drink and a snack. We offer planned session activities which they can chose to join in with.

Data

Date	Number of young people	Activities and discussions
October		
4 th	12	Smoothie making, table
		football, card games, snooker,
		table tennis. Discussions about
		dealing with family loss.
11 th	10	Mental health awareness quiz,
		young people wrote down
		what keeps them motivated,
		pool, table tennis.
18 th	9	Pool/snooker competitions,
		discussions around safety at
		Halloween parties.
25 th	8	Toffee apples pin the nose on
		the witch. We discussed the

		young people's plans for
		Halloween and how to stay
		safe in the dark.
November		
1 st	4	Bonfire night safety quiz, hot
		dogs, table tennis.
8 th	15	Poppy making, Jessy Nelson
		documentary
15 th	8	Pool, table tennis, table
		football and discussions about
		anti bullying week.
22 nd	5	Stress ball making, music, pool
		and table tennis.
29 th	3	Movie night with popcorn –
		Harry Potter
December		
6 th	5	Birthday party – snacks, pool,
		table tennis.
13 th	11	Making Christmas decorations
		and hot chocolates, pool and
		table tennis.
20 th	6	Christmas party, uno,
		doughnut game, music, pool
		and table tennis.

Genders: There are mixed genders attending this youth club, with a slight increase of males.

Incidents: There have been no reported incidents.

Age Range: The age range for this group is 13-19

Effectiveness

The young people in this group present risky behaviours with the use of drugs and alcohol, however, they are comfortable talking about this and the risks they face with the youth workers.

We are getting older members come back from their new lives at university or army training to catch up with youth workers and seek advice which proves this group has a long-lasting effect on the young people.

We have a few sessions planned in where we aim to conduct outreach work due to the Community Centre being unavailable, this will give us the opportunity to reach out to some of the young people who do not attend the youth club and to put posters around the community.