

**Report of meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> June between representatives of Prudhoe Town Council and Prudhoe Community Partnership**

**PRESENT**

Mrs Doreen Elwell (Chair for meeting, Trustee PCP), Mr George Hepburn (Chair of PCP), Mrs Maggie Phillips (Trustee PCP), Mrs Margaret Boonstra (Trustee PCP), Cllr Gerry Price, Cllr Andy Gill, Cllr Russ Greig, Cllr Angie Scott, Sarah Eden (taking notes)

Apologies received from Cllr Tracy Gilmore

*It was agreed that the notes of the meeting should be short and record only salient points rather than full discussion.*

***The first item discussed was each organisations 'Plans for the coming year and opportunities for working together'***

Prudhoe Community Partnership plans were discussed as follows:

- Cessation of Prudhoe Hospital Walled Garden Group
- Access to shops initiative
- Bidding to host a 'Community Facilitator' (NHS) as are Haltwhistle and Hexham for which the first 1 – 6 months would involve mapping all support groups and developing links.
- PCP Survey closed on 17<sup>th</sup> June (230 responses), the results will be analysed and presented at the AGM on 17<sup>th</sup> July.
- The AGM will also host a presentation by Emma Richardson on Asset Based Community Development.
- In September PCP will present a report and recommendations based on survey analysis

There were no firm plans identified by Prudhoe Town Council other than the asset transfer of Prudhoe East Centre, however, the following were identified as areas where change should be directed:

- Northumberland County Council Youth Provision needs attention
- Prudhoe having their own 'Youth Initiative'
- The Youth Forum exploring wider needs and hubs

The meeting heard that Prudhoe Community Partnership would be happy to be involved in the development of a 'Prudhoe Youth Initiative'.

***Appointing a Town Council Representative on Prudhoe Community Partnership Board***

PCP has a core membership of 26; membership is free and for no longer than 3 years. There has recently been a drive for new members and all Cllrs would be welcome as members. The views of members are always sought and information communicated to them, but trustees make the decisions.

It was AGREED:

- ✓ it would be positive to have a Town Councillor representative on the PCP Board
- ✓ A quarterly report should be provided as part of the Town Council agenda
- ✓ PCP to have a feature in a future PTC newsletter
- ✓ Mr George Hepburn to attend the September Ordinary meeting
- ✓ to work together to build on the strengths of the town and to improve the image of the town
- ✓ to meet 6-monthly

The next meeting was scheduled for Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 4:00pm.