Summary Of Coalfield Forum February Meeting

27 Attended
29 Apologies

Chair welcomed every one

Guest Speakers

Wendy Hadlington (scvs) presented information around funding and the Safe, Sensible, social Alcohol Small Grant Scheme.

Alison Walker (Extended Schools Cluster Manager Coalfields) Gave update on her role which will identify gaps and ensure children and families and the wider community have the access to activities and provision.

Audrey Bewick (Barnardos) Gave overview of street games and its Status NCFE also they are to exhibit the work they have completed and they are continuing with research in Moorsley and Peat Carr.

Juliette Johnson gave presentation on the work they do at the Y.M.C.A and the alternative education programmes they run for young people.

Susan Brown (Coalfield Forum Development Coordinator)
Reported the plans for this year's International Women's Day were going well lots of opportunities for agencies to network and to showcase their services . partners include, Gentoo, Children Centre, S.T.P.C.T, Volunteer Centre, SHARP, E.L.C.A.P, Joblinkage, Carers Centre, Wear Able, and Sunderland University.

Susan spoke of a brief she had received from Gillian De'Ath(strategic Development Manager S.T.P.C.T) RE – the site for the new Primary Care centre in Houghton. Gillian will attend the next meeting to answer any questions.

Susan reported on community groups and Digital Challenge support.

New Herrington Miners Banner Partnership are holding a banner display at Herrington Burn Y.M.C.A ON SAT 21ST February. 10 till 3pm

Susan updating Forum Web site.

Information Sharing

Wendy Hadlington gave information on a questionnaire from Audra Peacock re the value of the voluntary sector. Questions from the floor were raised. Susan to ask Audra to respond.

Lesley Shale (Pens haw C.A) Gave information on Community Matters Event sat 25th April.

Date and Time of next meeting Tuesday 17th March Hetton Centre 12.30 lunch for 1pm Meeting.