**Newington Big Local Partnership Meeting**

**Newington Community Centre 21/11/16 - 18:30 – 20:00**

**Attendees**

Chris Egelnick – Resident, Keven Gabriel – Community Gardener, Cara Thorpe – CDO, Sam Horn – Resident, Richard Nicholson – Chair, Mike Harrison – Resident, Lisa Evans – Resident, Keith Berry –LTO, Marie Thomas – Resident, Tom Andrews – People United, Becky Vincer – People United, Charlie Fox –LTO, John Read – Porchlight, Carl Adams – Big Local Rep, Sam Voak – Vice Chair, Andrew Potter – Resident, Tammy Sains – Resident, Pat Moore – NCC, Betty Birch – Resident, Liam Clark – Apprentice.

Apologies - Shola Aoko, Colin Thompson, Richard Barnard, Tess Luetchford.

* The Minutes of the last meeting were agreed.
* Richard gave a quick update to let people know about his health and that he was well enough to step back in as Chair.
* Sam Voak was voted in as Vice Chair by a unanimous vote.
* Carl spoke about the renewal of the partnership and explained the forms that would be filled out to do this. It was agreed that there will be 10 minutes at the end for the Partnership to be renewed.
* Radio Interviews were discussed. Liam, Sam and Cara or another member of the Partnership are to go on air with Academy FM on the available dates given.
* Some of the Partnership went to London to meet with Lantern. Lantern has sent back a branding Strategy Document and has been sent out to the Partnership.
* Post Cards were made to help find volunteers to become advisors for Thanet Citizens Advice. The information pack given by CAB was described as confusing and overwhelming.
* Tammy explained that the Halloween Disco was a well-attended as was the Copse Halloween event, the new format worked well
* Keven spoke about how he has been working with Prince’s Trust; he also mentioned he has cleared another garden in the community.
* Christmas event – Sam asked for another £500 towards the Christmas event and an extra £1000 for Crockery half of the cost will come out of the event budget and the other half from the cooking budget.
* People United put a proposal to the Partnership for £6441. The partnership had some questions. Cara will collate the questions and email People United.
* AOB – Next Big Local plan is to be written soon, any ideas are welcome and a separate meeting will be arranged for this.

**Meeting end**

**Next meeting is at Newington Community Centre**

**12th December 6:30-8:00pm**