



Autumn of Action event: Ribbleton  
8<sup>th</sup> October 2011

**Group name:** Rabbit

**Session:** 1

**Topic:** Youth & Community Centre (With 24 hr Prayer centre)

**Convener:** Mabel Rodriguez & Jason Greene

**Who was there? (list names):**

Dick Lindsey

Jo Such

Nicola Greene

**Main points of the discussion:**

- Need to name centre in a manner that would be embracing & inviting
- Youth Club 7 -14
- Friendship/ Relationship building
- Activities
- Sports
- Life skills
- Financial
- Parenting skills
- Relationship/Marriage skills
- Youth newspaper
- Fatherhood education
- Young Mum's coffee morning
- Volunteerism

## **Recommendations / conclusions:**

- Need to engage young people before they become disengaged & let them know people care
- Skills education for 7-14, 14 – 21, Young Adults
- Start youth club, soccer.
- Tuck shop, newspaper & other business activities to engage kids, teach financial & ownership to fund future activities

## **What are the three small, practical, next steps to get this moving?**

- 1) Start to locate a place for Community Centre
- 2) Find out what is needed, ask the residents especially the kids.
- 3) Start the youth club

**Group name:** Rabbit

**Session:** 1

**Topic:** Community House

**Convener:** Nicole

**Who was there? (list names):** Marie, Jo, Sharon, Darren and Nicole

**Main points of the discussion:**

- Trees estate already has a community house
- It is a little underused
- Inviting people into a house breaks down barriers
- Can create links between community members

**Recommendations / conclusions:**

- Must be fun
- Greenhouse (possible name) – where seeds are planted
- A hybrid of activities could be held there.
- Combine with earlier prayer centre idea
- Getting kids involved young, can help with their development as an adult

**What are the three small, practical, next steps to get this moving?**

- 1) Find out with community housing group could provide a house
- 2) Who could run/maintain/manage it?
- 3) Establish whether the need is there.

**Group name:** Shops

**Session:** 1

**Topic:** Renovation

**Convener:** Ann

**Who was there? (list names):**

Jason, Eric

**Main points of the discussion:**

Improve Appearance of Moor Nook shops

**Recommendations / conclusions:**

- Ascertain ownership
- Contact owner re painting etc
- Provide waste bins
- ? notices re fines for litter, dog fouling
- ?Get youngsters involved

**What are the three small, practical, next steps to get this moving?**

- 1) Contact Preston City Council re ownership
- 2) Contact owner re painting stroke cleaning etc
- 3) Ask council to provide litter bins

**Group name:**

**Session: 2**

**Topic:** Youth Newspaper

**Convener:**

**Who was there? (list names):**

Jo, Paul, Jason, Darren

**Main points of the discussion:**

- To organise a newspaper contented by the youth of the community
- To talk about issues which may or may not affect: (world news, sport, global issues) – youth
- How would decisions be made on which media content and who would be included

**Recommendations / conclusions:**

- Research other youth newspapers
- Look at who would be involved, what capacity
- Structure and editorial control ie youth led
- Youth training accordingly, ie media(externally and internally)
- To cater for all needs how about screening newspaper to TV screens in local shops
- Content
- Walking words

**What are the three small, practical, next steps to get this moving?**

- 1) Research
- 2) Cost printing and distribution
- 3) Focus groups

## Closing comments

- It's been really stimulating to hear the thoughts about this community, and about some very key areas that each community has common threads in. I'm excited to develop the relationships – progress comes out of relationships, and I've made some new links here.
- It's been a pleasure to be involved – I feel quite sad that it's the last one. Pleasure meeting you all – it's been extremely interesting. Can we get DVDs of the finished product?
- As a newcomer, it's very interesting. I couldn't give much input, but I listened and learned a lot.
- I was touched by the interest that people have in their community – not just in the buildings, but in the people. I have been moved by that.
- It's been fun getting to know everyone – I believe I'll work with you all again somehow or other.
- For me this is just the beginning – we'll be working with the youth groups that emerge and come up with a plan ahead of the prizes in November.
- I've enjoyed all the sessions that we've done – it was great meeting Marie and Jo. The spookiest thing was the conversation with Jason, that took me back 15 years to someone that we both know. I shall miss the curry!
- I've thoroughly enjoyed it – can I be involved in the second part? As one group is doing their thing, they can encourage people to go on the other groups. It's like nettles, and we're the bees in the nettles. I think the youth of the community need to be spoken to individually and invited personally – they need to knock a lot of barriers down to say yes.
- I'm going to miss the curry and working on a Saturday. My attitude has changed over the weeks – I've been meeting

people over the last six months who were “influential”, and I was frustrated that they weren’t here – but I’ve discovered that’s OK and newly inspired.

- I’ve enjoyed my three Saturdays – I’ll miss the videos at the start. I’ve really appreciated meeting you and finding lots of brilliant ideas and creativity.