

Meeting of the **Old School Development Committee** held on Monday **20th February 2012** in Messingham Village Hall commencing at 6.30pm.

PRESENT: Councillors N Poole (Chair), Mrs B Todd, W Elsome, Mrs J Briggs, Mrs G Sherwood & T Foster, Catherine Benson of NLC Youth Service and the Clerk.

186. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Received from Councillor J England

187. YOUTH SERVICE

The Chairman welcomed Catherine Benson of the Youth Service to the meeting and gave a summary of the school development project to date.

Catherine informed members that as an example of what could be available; the youth club in Kirton in Lindsey is held 2-3 nights per week which is funded by NLC at a cost of £28,000 per year. She also stated that a funding review is imminent and that budget cuts are expected which would ultimately mean that the Youth Service would look to using volunteers to provide additional service. She also commented that volunteers for the 8 – 12 year age group are relatively easy to find but much more difficult for the teenage group.

It was agreed that a Youth Development Plan would be needed to assist with any bids for funding and Catherine agreed to engage Trish Robertson to carry out some outreach work with the youth in Messingham to obtain relevant data.

It was suggested that transport could be provided for taking young people to Brigg or Scunthorpe in the evenings. It was noted that volunteer drivers are needed for this service.

188. NLC FEEDBACK

The Clerk reported on a site meeting with Paul Taylor and John Kidner earlier today. The outcome being that costings for refurbishment and potential leasing terms would be forwarded in the next two weeks.

189. PUBLIC MEETING

The only available dates for the main hall in the Village Hall in March are Sunday evenings. It was agreed to wait until costings have been considered by the parish council before arranging a date.

THIS CONCLUDED THE BUSINESS OF THE MEETING