

## AGENDA ITEM 2

### Young people's representation on the Nottinghamshire Children and Young People's Partnership Board

#### Note of a discussion in Anthony May's office on 22 September 2008

**Present:** Anthony May (corporate director)  
Marcie Taylor (service director)  
Philip Martin (senior executive officer)  
Lyndsey Radford (youth worker)  
Danny Fox (young person)  
Almas Shah (young person)

Danny and Almas outlined the issues from their perspective of the first Partnership Board meeting they had attended:

- the pace of the meeting was too fast
- too much was covered at the meeting
- a break half way through the meeting would have been helpful
- officers could have explained items on the agenda better
- too much jargon had been used
- the start time of the meeting was unhelpful because of their college commitments – a later start time was requested
- vegetarian food should be clearly identifiable (on separate plates)
- inappropriate mention had been made in respect of Chilwell School (not Chilwell Comprehensive) and Church of England schools i.e. C of E (not CE)

In response to the issues raised it was agreed that:

- the Board meeting on 13 October 2008 would, if possible, be rescheduled to facilitate Danny and Almas' attendance at 4.30 pm – i.e. the meeting would be transferred to County Hall if possible and would run from 4.30 – 6.30 pm (with refreshments available from 4.00 pm).

Action: **Philip** to reschedule the meeting and advise Board members.

- there should be discussion at the next Board meeting about the timing/location of future meetings taking into account Danny's and Almas' comments (a 5.30 pm start time would be best for them)
- Philip should meet with Lyndsey, Danny and Almas ahead of each meeting to discuss the agenda and provide background to any items – the first such meeting to be at County Hall (in Anthony May's room) at 5.30 pm on 6 October 2008. Philip to arrange for other colleagues to attend if that is necessary for any particular agenda item
- Danny and Almas will feed back from the Partnership Board meetings to the Young People's Board – the feedback could perhaps be posted on YouthZone and the Partnership website

Action: **Lyndsey** to arrange for Danny and Almas to pursue this with Val Cook in the CYPS department's communications team to consider this.

- a young people's slot will be routinely included on Partnership Board agendas with immediate effect

Action: **Philip** to arrange.

- Lyndsey will challenge the Board, if need be, on behalf of Danny and Almas, if there are any issues which impact on their ability to engage with the Board's work. Danny and Almas will also challenge the Board if they feel comfortable to do so.

Action: a) **Anthony** to clarify these arrangements at the beginning of the Board's next meeting

b) **Philip** to ensure the seating arrangements for the meeting enables Lyndsey to sit with Danny and Almas.

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