

## Babergh Disability and Sports Forum

Minutes of meeting held at The Bridge Project on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2008

Attending – David Finn, Gemma Hockley, Shirley Moore, Michelle and Ian Hall

<b>I Sport</b>	
Ryan Armes is running a Goalball Leaders course on 30/05/08 and a new club is starting from 10/05/08 at Chantry between 10–12. An advert has been placed to find a replacement for Ryan and as soon as his replacement is in post he will forward details of them to us to ensure that the forum receives development details of new initiatives.	
<b>Climbing Wall</b>	
Funding is being looked into this as an Awards for All Application was unsuccessful.	LP
<b>Out and About</b>	
Information and details of any new developments will come via Shirley Moore and she will advise on any outstanding work in this area.	SM
<b>Membership</b>	
The attendees at these meetings has dwindled and we need to boost membership and ensure roles within the forum are being completed with the development of the Babergh CSN – Active South Suffolk. Everyone is to forward the meeting request on to anyone that may be able to attend so that we can ensure the forum is fully supported.	ALL
<b>Optua Showcase Day</b>	
There are 71 registrations so far and PR is going on all this week to boost the numbers along with Gemma visiting the local special schools with application packs for distribution. It is unsure if Tennis will be available on the day as yet but hopefully this can be organised in time and there is follow up work needed surrounding Archery, Goalball and Volleyball and Louise will work with Optua on arranging this.	DF, GH, LP

<b>Ipswich Disability Event</b>	
The Ipswich Disability Sports Forum held an open afternoon where 24 organisations attended. It was held at Ipswich Town Hall on 03/04/08 and was successful in raising awareness of local clubs and groups in the area.	

<b>Contact List and Community Sports Network</b>	
There are people missing from the current mailing list such as Roy O'Shagnassy along with a number of people who have not replied or sent apologies. A concerted effort will be made to increase the membership of the forum and those attending the next meeting.	ALL
Babergh have launched the Community Sports Network – Active South Suffolk and the date for the next full meeting is 03/06/08 to be held in the Council Chamber at BDC offices in Hadleigh at 6.30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend this as there will be discussion around the action plan that has now been agreed and how this will be implemented. Louise will bring copies of the disability elements of the Action Plan to the next meeting for discussion.	LP

### **Any Other Business**

HIP project is starting in neighbouring authorities and an update will be provided at the next meeting regarding it's development within Babergh. The project is aimed at getting disabled adults into local gyms and engaged in physical activity. It is currently being piloted in west Suffolk but if successful will be rolled out nationwide.	GH, LP
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Babergh Athletics Club has increased it's age limit to 18 for disabled members and Louise will ensure that new leaflets are printed that reflect this change.	LP
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Befriending Society are holding a glitter ball at Delphi on 31/05/08 from 7.30-11.30. Tickets are available at a cost of £20. There will be a live band, Tall Order and food available. There is also to be a Fun Day at Sudbury Rugby Club the following weekend that will coincide with the Beer Festival already taking place. There will be stalls, food and fun for all the family including a tag rugby match. Contact Shirley Moore for further details on this.	
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Next Meeting to be held at Great Cornard Sports Centre 06/06/08 at noon