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To: Members of Cabinet Member meeting - Health and Communities

Thursday, 28 May 2020

Dear Councillor

Please attend a meeting of the **Cabinet Member meeting - Health and Communities** to be held at **10.00 am** on **Friday, 5 June 2020** virtually; the agenda for which is set out below.

Whilst the papers for this meeting will continue to be published on the Council's website, during the period of the Coronavirus lockdown, this meeting will not be accessible to the public.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'S Hobbs', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Simon Hobbs
Director of Legal and Democratic Services

AGENDA

PART I - NON-EXEMPT ITEMS

1. Declarations of Interest
To receive declarations of interest (if any)
2. Minutes (Pages 1 - 2)

To confirm the non-exempt minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member – Health and Communities held on 14 May 2020

3. To consider the non-exempt report of the Director of Legal Services on Grant to Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group (Pages 3 - 20)
4. Exclusion of the Public

To move “That under Regulation 21 (1)(b) of the Local Authorities (Executive Arrangements) (Access to Information) (England) Regulations 2000, the public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph(s)... of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972

PART II - EXEMPT ITEMS

5. Declarations of Interest

To receive declarations of interest (if any)

6. To consider the exempt report of the Executive Director of Commissioning, Communities and Policy on the Provision of Essential Domestic Abuse Support Services, Post Lockdown (Pages 21 - 24)

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MINUTES of a meeting of the **CABINET MEMBER FOR HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES** held on 14 May 2020 at County Hall, Matlock.

PRESENT

Councillor C Hart – Cabinet Member

Also in attendance: Councillors G Wharmby and D Allen

09/20 **MINUTES RESOLVED** that the non-exempt minutes of the meeting of the Cabinet Member for Health and Communities held on 26 March 2020 be confirmed as a correct record.

10/20 **COMMUNITY GRANTS ROUND 7** The Cabinet Member was provided with an update on the projects supported under round seven of the community activity and community safety Action Grants Programme. The report outlined the background on the grant funding scheme, a breakdown of the three tiers of funding available and the applications received and approved.

Round seven of both the community activity and community safety grants was 31 January 2020 and applicants were only able to apply for a small grant as the medium and large grants were only available on an annual basis, with the next deadline being 31 May 2020.

As detailed in Appendix A attached to the report, 72 small grant applications were received, totalling £34,241. A small panel comprising of Community Safety Officers met to assess the merits of each application against the required criteria and, as this total exceeded the allowed allocated budget, it was agreed to apply a reduction to all the funding awards to ensure everyone who was eligible could be successful. Where applicants would have been awarded the full amount of between £450 and £500 a 15% reduction was applied and those between £400 and £449 a 10% reduction was applied. In total 51 applications, the details of which are set out in Appendix A, were approved to the value of £19,741.

Appendix B of the report detailed four small grant applications totalling £1,978.60 which were all approved.

To date the community activity theme had funded 392 small, five medium and four large applications, at a total spend of £229,885. The total allocation was £250,000 with a view to delivering 375 small grants and a number of medium and large grants. The theme had therefore reached its limit and it was proposed to close the small community activity theme, leaving the remaining balance of £20,115 to be allocated to medium and large community activity grants in round eight (closing date of 31 May 2020). The three other community activity themes were undersubscribed and would operate a small, medium and large scheme in round eight.

Monitoring of the Programme, which included the take up of the different levels of grants as well as geographical coverage, would continue to ensure equality of access across different communities in Derbyshire. This would ensure that there was some flexibility in the Programme as it moves forward and that spend on the programme was maximised. It would also help to recognise those communities where more support would be required to identify and promote relevant projects.

RESOLVED to note the approval of (1) 51 small Grants for Community Activity to the value of £19,741; and (2) Four small Grants for Community Safety to the value of £1,978.60.

11/20 **REDUCING HARM OF SUBSTANCE MIS-USE** Approval was sought from the Cabinet Member for the award of Recovery Month grants up to the value of £6,010 for Recovery Month activities.

Recovery Month was a national event that took place in September each year. It had been celebrated in Derbyshire for the past five years and was an opportunity to showcase recovery from substance misuse, to reduce stigma and to highlight that recovery was achievable. Local activities had previously concentrated on large scale events which took considerable resources to organise and had tended to be located in Chesterfield. A number of smaller but active recovery organisations from other parts of the county had struggled to take part in a meaningful way and recovery month in Derbyshire was starting to lose momentum.

On 13 November 2018 the Strategic Director for Adult Care approved the allocation of £20,000 over a three-year period to encourage individuals, treatment services and recovery organisations to undertake their own projects, events and activities in their own localities. This approach was more inclusive of our geographically diverse county and revitalised the efforts of both local and countywide organisations and their service users.

The County Council had had a successful first year in 2019, grant funding six organisations and sixteen separate events and activities, including fly fishing, a Recovery Football Festival, a community café and various organisations taking part in the annual recovery games in Doncaster. Feedback from an annual showcase event recognised achievement was generally very positive.

The first event for Recovery Month funding for 2020 was approved in February for Derventio Housing Trust to run Orienteering events at various locations across Derbyshire. The report went on to outline six applications for events taking part in Recovery Month (September) 2020 that were successful against the scoring criteria.

RESOLVED to (1) approve the award of the grants detailed in the report to the value of £6,010 for Recovery Month activities; and

(2) agree to receive reports relating to the award of other small grants to support Recovery Month in Derbyshire.

DERBYSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL

MEETING WITH THE CABINET MEMBER, HEALTH AND COMMUNITIES

5 June 2020

Report of the Director of Legal Services

GRANT TO DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

1 Purpose of the Report:

To consider a grant request from the Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group in recognition of its work with Gypsies and Travellers in Derbyshire in the year 2019 -2020.

2 Information and Analysis:

A request for a grant for the financial year 2019-2020 has been received from the Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group, requesting £3,500.

The Liaison Group is asking for support for its work over the financial year with traditional Romany Gypsies and Irish Travellers. It plays an extremely important role in supporting the three Council owned Traveller sites in Derbyshire. Other activities include assistance with private site planning applications and dealing with issues of education, health and welfare of Travellers. The group also co-ordinate and deliver public events which raise awareness of relevant and important issues, for example, Holocaust Commemoration. Over the years the Authority has held regular discussions with the Liaison Group on issues arising from unauthorised encampments, site management and on developing good practice in dealing with unauthorised encampments.

The Group relies on small annual grants to cover the baseline running costs.

In the year 2018/2019 the group was awarded a grant of £3,500.

It is recommended that a grant of £3,500 be awarded to Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group, in recognition of its work in the County over the current year.

3 Financial Considerations:

Budgetary provision of £3,500 from the Travellers budget held within Commissioning Communities and Policy has been made to support Traveller organisations in the current year.

4 Equal Opportunities Considerations:

Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group works to combat discrimination and promote the rights of Gypsies and Travellers in Derbyshire.

5 Other Considerations:

In preparing this report the relevance of the following factors has been considered:

Social Value, prevention of crime and disorder, environmental, health, legal and human rights, personnel and property considerations.

6 Background Papers:

The annual report and accounts have been supplied by the Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group.

7 Key Decision:

No

8 Call-in:

Is it required that call-in be waived in respect of the decisions proposed in the report? No

9 Officer Recommendation:

That the Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group be awarded £3,500 for the year 2019-2020, subject to the County Council's standard conditions of grants.

**Simon Hobbs
Director of Legal Services**

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR

31 AUGUST 2019

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019

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DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE AND PROFESSIONAL ADVISERS

The board of the committee

Jim Burnside
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Independent Examiners

Derby Community Accountancy Service
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Objects

The Group is established for the benefit of the Gypsy community in the County of Derbyshire, and surrounding area, and in particular to campaign for the human rights of Gypsies, to work to improve their education, health and living conditions, and to promote and organize co-operation in the achievement of these of purposes.

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31st 2019

Independent Examiner's Report to the Committee of Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2019 which are set out on pages 3 to 7.

Respective responsibilities of the committee and examiner

The committee are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The committee consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act). It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act;
- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act) and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of independent examiner's statement

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the organisation and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as committee concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent examiner's statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- 1 Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
 - to keep accounting records are kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met, or
- 2 to which, in my opinion attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Mark Newey ACMA
Derby Community Accountancy Service
Babington Lodge
128 Green Lane
Derby

Date

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31st 2019

2018			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	2019
£			£	£	£
30859	Opening Balances		24045	15314	39359
	Receipts				
18648	Grants	note 1	3500	23050	26550
146	Donations		7	0	7
17500	Site grants		17500	0	17500
1234	Training & consultancy		2919	1271	4190
15860	Sundry	note 2	10969	0	10969
0	Interest		0	0	0
53388			34895	24321	59216
	Payments				
5352	Salaries and associated costs		3313	1163	4476
3708	Travel expenses		1120	2245	3366
784	Insurance		782	0	782
24	Education & Training.		0	693	693
5059	Consultancy		1997	6622	8619
1120	Office costs		18	1286	1304
1751	Telephone		273	1611	1884
313	Postage, stationery & printing		680	835	1514
382	Equipment		0	230	230
5160	Rent		2700	2760	5460
16000	Site Fees		12000	0	12000
77	Special Events		0	262	262
5157	Other fees	note 3	8323	572	8895
44887			31207	18278	49485
0	Transfer between funds		0	0	0
8501	Net Movement of Funds for the year		3688	6043	9731
39359	Closing Balances		27733	21357	49090

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

YEAR ENDED AUGUST 31st 2019

2018			2019
£			£
0	Fixed Assets	note 4	0
	Current Assets		
14268	Balance at bank		23919
25008	Reserve account		25008
82	Petty Cash		163
<u>39359</u>			<u>49090</u>
665	Debtors	note 5	813
0	Less Creditors	note 6	4000
<u>40023</u>	Total Current Asset Value		<u>45904</u>
<u>40023</u>	Total Net Assets		<u>45904</u>

Chair

Date

Treasurer

Date

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNT

Note 1

Grants consisted of:-

	Unrestricted Grants £	Restricted Grants £	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Derbyshire County Council	3500	0	3500	3500
5 Ways to Wellbeing	0	0	0	2300
The National LotteryCommunity Fund	0	22500	22500	0
Derbyshire Voluntary Action	0	0	0	360
SEED	0	0	0	3905
Chesterfield Links	0	550	550	1953
Manor 2056 Fund	0	0	0	4200
South Derbyshire CVS	0	0	0	2430
	3500	23050	26550	18648

Note 2

Sundry income

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups	1400	8000
Welfare income	6652	4652
Refunds	2312	60
Sundry	605	3147
	10969	15860

Note 3

Other fees consisted of :-

	Total 2019 £	Total 2018 £
Welfare	6485	3929
Accountancy	410	380
Bank charges	109	101
Evaluation	90	45
Promotion	90	442
Membership	130	203
Quality assurance	0	57
Planning	1580	0
	8894	5157

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNT (CONTINUED)

Note 4

Equipment

	£
Gross Value as at September 1st 2018	10154
Purchases with a value of more than £500 in the year	<u>0</u>
Gross Value as at August 31st 2019	<u>10154</u>
Depreciation as at September 1st 2018	10154
Depreciation charge for the year (at 25%)	<u>0</u>
Depreciation as at August 31st 2019	<u>10154</u>
Net Value as at August 31st 2018	<u><u>0</u></u>

Purchases of less than £500 have been written off in the year of purchase.

Note 5

Debtors

	Total 2019	Total 2018
	£	£
National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups	208	405
Sundry	<u>605</u>	<u>260</u>
	<u>813</u>	<u>665</u>

Note 6

Creditors

	Total 2019	Total 2018
	£	£
Site fess	4000	0
HM Revenue and Customs	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>4000</u>	<u>0</u>

DERBYSHIRE GYPSY LIAISON GROUP

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNT (CONTINUED)

Note 7

Restricted Funds consisted of :-

	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfer between funds	Closing Balance
	£	£	£	£	£
Chesterfield Links	8267	1821	2934	0	7154
The National Lottery Community Fund	0	22500	8297	0	14203
5 Ways to Wellbeing	871	0	871	0	0
Derbyshire Voluntary Action	300	0	300	0	0
SEED	1480	0	1480	0	0
Manor 2056 Fund	4020	0	4020	0	0
South Derbyshire CVS	375	0	375	0	0
	15314	24321	18277	0	21357

Derbyshire Gypsy Liaison Group Report 2018-2019

Chair's report

DGLG yet again has had another productive year. We have continued working with LINKS and the BME Forums. The forums have given us valuable information on how to help the most sick and vulnerable in our community. We have increased outreach, although Wednesday drop in is still available for those that want to come. The phone line is open Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Our befriending project helped target those individuals/families that are not on a site and those that are isolated in housing. This last year we were assisted tremendously by lottery funding for three years (two years remaining) This funding has allowed us to fully support the elder and disabled in particular and those that are isolated in housing. J. Price

Coordinator's report

The office is secure for two more years and at the same price, so that is a great relief. The Derbyshire Foundation's the Manor fund funding has now finished, and the lottery funding has enabled us to continue to support roadside elder and disabled and those that are housebound and or carers.

We are still promoting the use of a computer in the office in relation to daily tasks, for example car insurance. A review of costs for many on our books saw that they were paying over a third more in insurance than other people. This is due to many families thinking that if they stick with the same insurance firm, they will have their premium reduced. It can be very stressful especially for older ones to keep their van insurance up to date and not fall into money difficulties. With support to the individual we have saved on average £400.00 per person, which is a lot of money. Many insurance companies refuse to insure Gypsy/Traveller families.

Derbyshire Gypsy and Traveller Needs Working Group: DGLG meets with the Derbyshire Gypsy and Traveller Needs Working Group four times a year. The group has worked on updating the Derbyshire wide Gypsy and Inter Agency Guidance. This is a working document and subject to review and change.

Befriending and caring

As we explained to the lottery our befriending to a certain extent morphed into social care. We had to work with agencies and health staff to make sure elder people did not fall through the gaps. Budgets in relation to continuing medical care and personal assistant budgeting have been very much on the agenda this last year. For elder Travellers and Gypsy people, it is difficult navigating the system. Contributions cannot be set up through a Post Office account and as many elder people have Post Office accounts that do not enable Direct Debits to be set up, it can be problematic.

Friday phone line

We use Fridays specifically to catch up with community members who may be feeling lonely or isolated or depressed. The phone line is open Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10am until 2pm. The phone has a code number attached to it now to help save on costs, so that the messages can be accessed without coming into the office. This is good if bad weather stops travel.

Proportion of work from calls: Education calls are rising due manly to fines issued and confusion over the use of T mark. We have approximately 40-50 calls per week

Education	15% + 10% from last year
Housing assistance	0 -
Planning advice	20% Approx. the same
Health and welfare	43% + 3% from last year
Benefits	10% + 5% from last year
Sign posting to relevant agencies	5% -
Harassment community relations	7% + 2% from last year

We are members of the Derbyshire Health & Social Care Voluntary Sector Forum. Meetings are held at the Agricultural Centre in Bakewell and Siobhan usually attends these when she can.

We undertake much work in this area. GPs and hospitals have our address for roadside families otherwise they miss appointments as correspondence can go to old addresses. This situation has improved to a certain extent by families now being contacted by phone. However, many elder people do not read texts or can get messages from the phone. We continue to be host office to NFGLG. The phone line split above does not include the NFGLG proportion of calls.

BME Forums We attend the BME meetings (hosted by LINKS) every two months. We supported Derbyshire Carers access to the community with their review checks (part of BME Links project). We have been able to assist in getting respite care and carers grants. We also continued to hold a contract with Links in relation to the BME Mental Health Community Scheme. The service is to achieve the following aims:

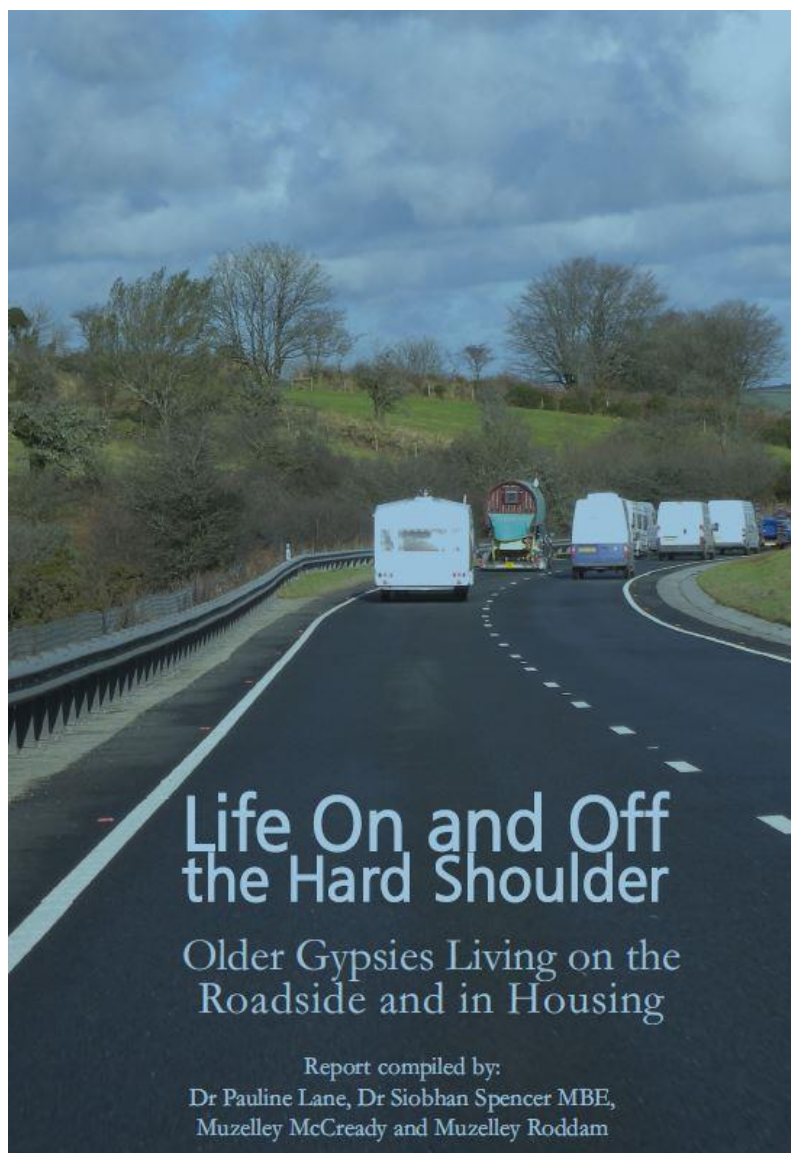
- 1.1 Work with members of the targeted BME community to increase their understanding of the availability of mental health services.
- 1.2 Provide support for mental wellbeing of the targeted BME community.
- 1.3 Signpost and support service users from the targeted BME community to access mainstream mental health provisions.
- 1.4 Early referrals to mental health services for members of the targeted BME community to prevent deterioration of mental health.
- 1.5 Increase the understanding of commissioners on the needs of service users from the targeted BME community.

Planning and accommodation

Over the last year we have been able to help families get disability facilities, housing and advise on planning applications or changing conditions on planning decisions. We reported in the last review that we had obtained a Certificate of Lawful use (outside of Derbyshire), but this year we spent a good proportion of time to this same site, after the decision was quashed. This was due to a valid complain against the district council. The NFGLG Planner has obtained planning permissions (Roger continues to feed into local and borough plans.) It is still a priority in the coming year to find land for a site in the Derbyshire Dales.

Partnership working

Working in partnership with Anglia Ruskin University we obtained SEED funding for “Life on and off the Hard Shoulder”, a comparable study of elders on the side of the road and in housing, report out shortly. Interviewers Muzelley McCready and Muzelley Roddam did an excellent job on obtaining interviews. The report was released in the summer. We are following this up with a 2nd report about dementia in the coming year and hopefully, if funding allows a report on end of life care.



National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Group The administration of the national work of the National Federation of Gypsy Liaison Groups (NFGLG) is undertaken from the office and we host their workers, Adrian Jones, and Roger Yarwood. Tracy Gregory also acts as bookkeeper and minutes taker for NFGLG as well as for DGLG. National Policy continues to be a worry as various statements have been announced throughout the year. The planning work feeds in to a planning group that can share information and help one another if a planner cannot attend a committee meeting for example, someone else might be able to for another area.

NFGLG has been awarded a grant to coordinate the monitoring of the UK Government's (lack of a) Roma Integration Strategy and this will be a main part of the work in the coming year. This work is undertaken by a consortium of UK groups of which DGLG is one and Roma Support Group. NFGLG hope also to keep the Town and Country planning as ongoing important work.

November 2018

We attended the Cenotaph parade in London. We have attended this ceremony every year from when it started 11.11.2011. 2018 was the last year that the Romany and Traveller History society marched as the cenotaph march is now being scaled down.

We were not able to undertake an event for Heritage Open Days in September 2019, but we are hoping to apply form some funding for next year. We did however have a display about the Great War in our window for commemoration from September through to November 11th

January 27th, 2019

Holocaust Memorial Day was on January 28th in 2019. HMD is a national event in the United Kingdom, dedicated to the remembrance of the victims the Porrajmos [Holocaust] or Sumaripen (the killings). First held in January 2001, it has usually been on the same date every year since (27th January). The chosen date is the anniversary of the liberation of Auschwitz concentration camp by the Soviet Union in 1945. The theme of the Holocaust remembrance and education activities for 2019 was "*Holocaust Remembrance: Demand and Defend Your Human Rights*". This theme encourages youth to learn from the lessons of the Holocaust, act against discrimination and defend democratic values in their communities, at a time when the spread of Neo-Nazism and hate groups fuels the rising antisemitism and other forms of hatred around the world. The theme highlights the 70th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights and the Convention on the Prevention and Punishment of the Crime of Genocide. Tom McCready attends planning meetings for this event.

Thanks to all volunteers and befrienders over the last year and thanks to our Funders

Derbyshire County Council

Derbyshire Community foundation (The Manor Fund)

LINKS (Mental Health, Social Care contracts)

Lottery Community Fund

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