



**Covering report to Prudhoe Town Council  
for quarter July – Sept 2019**

1 The report on the second quarter of detached youth work, funded by Prudhoe Town Council, is attached. Sean Soulsby, lead Practitioner from Children North Eas, will present the report.

2 Prudhoe Youth Project ( PYP) was registered as a charity in September ( reg no 1185239). Cllr Price and Cllr Grey represent PTC on the board of trustees. PCP continues to provide administrative support.

3 PYP has been provisionally awarded £8000 by Prudhoe Community Workshop Trust for a third evening session providing advice and support on mental health and sexual health issues. This was the most requested service following consultation with young people. This session should start in the new year and will be based in the Methodist Church Hall.

4 In addition, the young people are themselves applying for a grant from Awards for All for holiday activities.

5 After an initial encouraging telephone meeting with a member of staff at the National Lottery, PYP has applied for a full time worker from the Reaching Communities Fund. This application is still at the initial stage but, if successful, should lead to decision next Easter and a full time youth development worker in post by next summer, to work with young people and further develop the PYP. Other grant applications are being considered.

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6 In addition, PYP has convened a meeting to which all the youth groups in Prudhoe were invited and to which 13 organisations attended. There was a discussion about unmet needs of young people and a further meeting is planned in January. PYP has also been attending meetings of Tynedale Youth Forum.

7 Every effort has been made to work alongside other organisations in the town and especially with the Youth Service based at East. We have also developed a logo, based on designs from young people, and are working on establishing our own identity. We have a facebook page and a website under construction.

8 PYP very much hopes the PTC will continue to fund the two evening a week detached work for a further year when the current funding comes to an end next April at a cost of £20,000. We have always envisaged that it would take several years to get PYP properly established and support for a further year would be vital in enabling us to maintain momentum and attract further funding.

**Rachel Noble**

**Chair of Trustees**