

Meeting	Community Development Committee
Date	Tuesday 4th October 2022
Report Title	Youth Development Report
Agenda Reference	9
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Recommendations:

1. To note the report.

Background:

Halloween

Haydon Wick Parish Council is running a Halloween competition this year that is easily accessible to all ages and abilities. It will be a pumpkin carving competition, whereby children and young people in the parish are able to send us in photographs of their creations. A winner will be chosen for each of the following age categories:

- 4-8 years – Arts and crafts prize
- 9-13 years – Arts and crafts prize
- 14-18 years – Amazon Voucher

To make this competition easily accessible, the advertisement states if you want to enter but need Haydon Wick Parish Council to supply the pumpkin, please make contact by Friday 14th October.

This gives the Council a week to source the correct number of pumpkins for those who can't necessarily afford to purchase their own. The deadline for photos of carved pumpkins is Friday 28th October 2022.

Youth Christmas Party

This year Haydon Wick Parish Council is teaming up with Razamatazz Children's Entertainer to provide a free, Christmas Party for children aged 4-8 years. They provide 2 hours of entertainment in the form of a disco, games, competitions, and a snowball fight. Haydon Wick Parish Council is going to use their mascot (a reindeer) or their own Santa outfit to deliver small presents or goodie bags to each of the attendees, this is being funded from the Loneliness and Isolation, Community Choices fund. The cost of Razamatazz is £280.00.



The event is to be held at The Haydon Centre and Gym to allow for a greater number of attendees. It will be opened up to 50 children to begin with, and a further 25 tickets will become available nearer the date, depending on how quickly the 50 tickets are taken. Due to the popularity of the Youth Christmas Party in 2021, it is predicted that this event will have a large interest.

BEST – Be A Better You

The Community Development Officer and Youth and Community Co Ordinator are meeting with the Operations Manager of BEST in the coming weeks, to discuss holding a one-off February Half-Term event, like the one held in February 2022.

The half-term event was a huge success and greatly helps young people aged 5-18 years to meet new people, keep active and build confidence. Haydon Wick Parish Council is continuing to build a great working relationship with the BEST team and feel that their involvement with the children and young people in the Parish is still very important.

Christmas Card Competition

The annual Christmas Card competition is due to be launched on Wednesday 5th October. This date gives The Council enough time to advertise and reach a good number of children and young people in the parish. It can be sent to contacts in local schools before they break-up for the October half-term and will give parents something to do with their child in the holiday from school. The deadline for this competition is Wednesday 9th November, as this gives time for the winner to be chosen and the design to be sent to Little Paint Box to be made into Christmas cards and novelty gifts for the Christmas parcels, and the winner. We have gone for the same supplier as previous years due to the fantastic quality and relationship that has been built. The cost of this is £226.00.