**Minutes of networking meeting Tuesday 06 June 2017**

**Attendees:** Donna Talbot, Marselle Davies and Beverly Marsden from community CVS, Marie -We Fi Fo, Alana and Laura-Revolution, Denise- Superslow way, Sumaya- Slyncs, Rose and Rohan-BYZ, Farhana and Louise– Bootsrap, Judith – Samaritans, Julie- HAPPA, Sarah – CanW, Kiran – BWD Carers

**Presentation from Marie – We Fi Fo**

* Been going for 12 months
* We fi fo connects supper club hosts, dinner party organisers, and home cooks with hungry guests
* An alternative to eating out… eating at someone else’s house and a great way to meet up with new people
* Share skills
* All people are insured under our insurance eg if anyone breaks anything this will be covered
* Guests and hosts are given constructive feedback
* All money is transferred through a paypal account
* Further details can be found at our website [www.wefifi.com](http://www.wefifi.com)

Q. If we had location, would you source a chef for us?

A. Yes. We have done picnics for over 200 people. We are looking to be similar to air b&B.

Q. this sounds like a great idea for professional who don’t really want takeaway all the time

A. It’s a great way of finding out about other people and their cultures

Q. In relation to cooking classes –where are these held?

A. One professional and can be held at home

Q. what’s the maximum number of people who can attend?

A. At my house I can only teach 1 – we can look for permission from schools to use their facilities and then we could have more people.

Youth zone – we have a kitchen at youth zone and we are thinking about opening it up to the community.

I have hosted 71 events and earned £5,378.00. £2,000 of this have been donated back to charity’s, like unichef and hospice UK.

Q. do you have to have a food hygiene certificate?

A. Not really. Just need to make sure that people are safe – if going into business though we do recommend that you have it.

Carers Service – this would be really great for our carers.

You can also do private parties

Q. Doe everyone have a profile – id be a bit worried about who was coming

A. Yes – in case anything goes wrong

Q. Air B&B verify with id

A. We have fed around 7,000 people, a few people have been drunk but on the whole we have had no problems.

**Presentation from Farhana Bootstrap**

Started a new project – Changing future;

* Employability skills
* Signposting
* BME
* Working across east Lancashire
* Looking at working in partnership with people aged 16 – 65
* Project funded for 3 years
* Y.Z – changing to age – service club age 17 to 21 going to focus on employability skills

Q. Do you have any criteria?

A. People have to be unemployed or have long term health issues

**Information from Samaritans**

* We have an AGM coming up on the 28 June in Accrington town hall.
* Thursday 22 June – 105 new pole street Blackburn it the Samaritans volunteers information meeting

**Information from Donna**

* Just to remind everyone about the volunteer fayre tomorrow 07 June can set up from 9.00 for 10.30 start.
* Looking at a volunteer fayre next year and pooling in all resources
* Would be ideal if we had a committee to drive this forward.
* Suggested to have a volunteer fayre in January and an awards ceremony in June
* We can speak to BID to see is we could use the town centre space for free

Could we complete the feedback forms at the end, with any ideas or suggestions?

**Information from Super Slow Way – Arts Project Denise**

* looking for an events volunteer
* 1st is at Briefield which is a film show and drama – Home 47
* Burnley canal festival on 26/27 august- if anyone would like a stall please let me know
* Textile festival – across Pendle and Blackburn – looking for volunteers to help out

**The next networking meeting is on Thursday 27th July 2017**