

# **Attendees:**

Paula Gamester	The Sewing Rooms	speaker
Gerry Allen	WLBC	speaker
Carly Morris	WLBC	speaker
Kathryn MacDonald	ODFHS	speaker
Dot Broady-Hawkes	Lathom Park Trust	speaker
Paul Griffiths	Community Lives Matter	speaker
Terri Millar	Barnardos Supported Lodgings	
Rhys Mahon	Deafway	
Emma Allen-Taylor	Social Prescribing	
Jenny Cash	Lancashire Carers Service	
Bryan Pready	Ormskirk Community Partnership	
Jo McGonigal	Community Lives Matter	
M Rawsthon	Ormskirk Parish Church	
Carol Canipa	Home Instead	
Claire Lloyd	Base Dance Academy	
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Jill Roberts	The Liberty Centre	
Jodi Gibson	The Liberty Centre	

Steph Chadwick	Nutrition Ambition	
Saira Hussain	Barnardos Supported Lodgings	
Linda Heaton	Ormskirk Foodbank	
Sheila Byrne	Hope Street Community Hub	
Paul White	An Inclusive Future	

## **Group discussion**

- Identify the community assets in Skelmersdale and the surrounding area.
- Identify what the main issues are that need attention.
- Look at how the network can help.

## **List of Community Assets**

- Churches Ormskirk Parish Church & others
- Ormskirk Civic Hall
- Buildings Community Centres, Church Halls, Community Hubs, Hope Street, Libraries, Green Spaces, People, Local Businesses, Universities, Colleges, Sport Centres, D of E
- Shopping area of Ormskirk
- Existing capacity in buildings not being used all the time dance school premises
- Volunteer base / community involvement
- Sports: Ormskirk CC, Rugby Club, West End FA
- Uniformed Organisations, Cubs, Scouts, Brownies, guides etc
- Lack of free young people's groups

## Local Issues identified during the discussion.

- Loneliness, mental health inequalities, estranged families, poverty, frailty, aging population, cost of living crisis, financial hardship, transport, homelessness.
- Economic disparity between the age groups.
- Need affordable premises for charitable organisations.
- No singular organisation for Ormskirk, like a town/ Parish Council. Might help with Chapel Gallery Development.
- Where do young people go perception that nowhere is safe.
- Need young people's facilities

#### How can the network can help?

- Bring leaders and organisations together more regularly
- Mapping of existing facilities and organisations

- Sign positing, collaboration, outreach, communication, build on others expertise, sharing good practice.
- Volunteer recruitment, especially young people.
- Increase intelligence, access to information.
- D of E

#### How often to meet:

	4 times a year	3 times a	2 times a	Once a	Incomplete
		year	year	year	
Geographic	3	3	2	1	1
groups					
Thematic groups	4	3	1	0	2

## What was the most useful part of the event from your perspective and why?

Networking with professionals and volunteers

Meeting up with other agencies

Networking and listening to the speakers

Networking

Networking, also insight into WLBC Plans and understanding of goals.

The table discussion after the presentations

Listening to the speakers- very motivational

Making connections and taking time out from our day-to-day roles.

## Any other comments?

Thank you for organising I very much see the value of a network.

Very motivational

Good venue, earlier in the day would have been better.

Maybe individual introductions around the table to know who was who.