

### ■ Background

- There are few facilities for young people within the village. Activities are available in surrounding villages but there is limited transport to access them. Residents link the increasing incidence of male youth anti-social behaviour with boredom. Young people identified this issue during interviews, the Youth Facilities questionnaire and at the Neighbourhood Watch and feedback events.
  - Volunteers have set up a football team for village children.
  - Several attempts have been made by parents to open a Youth Club. There has been insufficient volunteer support to take it forward. The Youth Service supports this proposal and is willing to recruit staff to run an evening session.
  - Young people do not want to travel too far for activities.
  - It is reported that families on low incomes do not have the funding to pay for transport.

### ■ Location(s)      Hooley

### ■ Action

- Develop youth activities in the village. (Particularly summer evenings).  
**Responsibility:** Surrey County Council Youth Development Service
- Support further development of village football training, which is already underway and is run by volunteers.  
**Responsibility:** Reigate and Banstead Borough Council
- Support the Neighbourhood Watch and parents Drop-in facility to provide coffee, snacks and music for a weekly youth evening, which needs equipment and resource.  
**Responsibility:** Surrey Youth Development Service and Reigate and Banstead Borough Council
- Facilitate a Stakeholder's Partners' Forum to address youth issues and the associated problems around attracting and training volunteers to work with young people.  
**Responsibility:** Reigate and Banstead Borough Council

### ■ Resource

- Reigate and Banstead Borough Council Officer time to write funding application for equipment and volunteer training for drop in and football club.
- Officer time on maintenance of the recreation ground football pitch.
- Officer time to arrange development of Partner forum.

### ■ Timescale

- Youth drop-in scheduled to start in mid 2005 (completed).
- Football competition Youth Week - Summer 2005.
- Youth team social events - Summer 2005.
- Stakeholder Forum - 2006.

## ■ Outcome Measure/Reporting

- Attendance figures reported on by Surrey Youth Development Service to Councillors, Neighbourhood Watch and Residents Association.
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## ■ Local Community : What you can do

- Join the volunteers who support these activities and contact the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinators.
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