

All Together Nov

Old Portsmouth - Young Portsmouth

A new and exciting restorative story has been unfolding over recent months in the Old Portsmouth neighbourhood, supporting the City Vision and the development of positive relationships set out in the Health and Wellbeing Strategy.

What does 'restorative' mean?

We use the word 'restorative' to describe a different approach to community development and conflict resolution. Restorative practice is an approach that helps to improve and repair relationships between people and communities. The purpose is to build healthy communities, increase social capital, decrease crime and antisocial behaviour, repair harm and restore relationships. This approach is being introduced in schools across Portsmouth.

Hotwalls and Camber Dock Restorative Support Group

The council has commissioned Portsmouth Mediation Service (PMS) to develop a restorative plan to develop new relationships with some of the young people who visit the area on hot summer days. A significant development in this plan has been the formation of a restorative support group. The group meets twice a month and includes representatives from The Friends of Old Portsmouth (FOOPA), Spice Island Residents Association, King James Quay residents, Portsmouth Sailing Club, The BAR Building, the Fish Market, The International Port, Portsmouth Cathedral and Hotwalls artists, the group is supported by local youth organisations, Motiv8, Urbond and Pompey in the Community, council and Hotwalls management team, community wardens, the police and seafront management.

What have we done so far?

Restorative training

PMS has delivered training to residents and organisations in the Old Portsmouth area. The training is designed to equip delegates with a personal restorative tool kit that will help to build positive relationships. Restorative Training has already been provided to community wardens, and the council's play, youth and community service and others across the city.

Linking with Operation Nautical

The restorative plan runs alongside a co-ordinated operational response: Operation Nautical. Chaired and supported by city council staff, Operation Nautical involves a wide range of partner organisations and covers the whole length of Southsea seafront from Old Portsmouth to the Hayling Island Ferry. Police and community wardens are there to support residents during the summer.

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Engagement with local people and artists

PMS has already met with a number of Hotwalls artists and local residents, and will be gathering people's views in a short face to face survey. The survey will provide important information to measure the success of the restorative plan.

Youth Outreach Group

PMS has worked with youth organisations in the city to co-ordinate activity and outreach work in the area during spring half term and summer holidays. The youth workers will be engaging with young visitors in the area, gathering survey data and encouraging them to attend activities.



Plans for the summer



Starting on 30th June, increased youth outreach and engagement (funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner's ASB Task Group and supported by the Ministry of Defence Estate) will offer multiple activities to keep young people busy at nearby Governor's Green and on the seafront. The outreach team, led by Motiv8, will also engage with residents and artists, in the hope that from time to time some residents might join the outreach and engage with some of the young visitors.

Reusable water bottles with a QR code will be handed out to young people; the code will take young people to **pycportsmouth.co.uk** with details of various youth activities across the city (see bottom of this leaflet). The teams will also conduct resident and young people surveys that will help us to understand more about who visits the area and why. Pompey in the Community will help facilitate stadium tours of Fratton Park as an incentive to engage with the surveys and Urbond will also be offering prizes.

Free 'Pop Up' engagement activities

Youth outreach experts say the best way to build relationships with young people is to do something with them. 'Pop-Up Activities' will be provided by Pompey in the Community, the council's play, youth and community service, and Urbond – they will be coordinated and will usually coincide with the presence of the youth outreach team who can talk to young visitors about what's going on and encourage them to take part. Children's services are also looking to assemble a small group of young people who are frequent summer visitors to the Hotwalls and Camber Dock. With some police funding the team are putting together an enterprising project that will provide the young people with life and business skills and help make positive connections with residents.

Motiv8 - Working in pairs, Motiv8's outreach workers will deliver a consistent presence around places young people frequent. Motiv8 will work with partners to respond to local concerns about youth safety, engagement, opportunities, cohesion and anti-social behaviour.

Pompey in the Community and Urbond - delivering fun outdoor sporting activities, team games and music for two days a week during the half term and summer holidays. Activities will include volleyball, football penalty shoot-out, bocce, rounders and cornhole. In addition to this, every other week there will be an activity on a Saturday.

Paddle boarding and kayaking - Andrew Simpson Centre will be providing paddle boarding and kaykaging for young people between the ages of 12-18 on Southsea seafront. We hope many of the young people who come to Old Portsmouth will be interested in taking part.

Mobile Phone Photography - Strong Island Media will be organising regular 2 hour group 'walkshops' for young people and residents exploring the local area and learning photography skills like composition and perspective and also earn some creative tips and tricks. There will be prizes!

REPORT A CRIME

If you want to report a crime that doesn't need an emergency response, talk to your local police officer, get crime prevention advice, call 101 or report on-line at <u>www.hampshire.police.uk</u>

REMEMBER - IN AN EMERGENCY DIAL 999

In a coastal emergency, or if you spot someone in trouble in the water, call 999 and ask for the coastguard. If you enter the water unexpectedly, relax and float, keep calm and signal for help.

Contact details

Community Wardens 0800 085 3840 between 10am and 10pm You can also report anti-social behaviour online <u>www.portsmouthcc.gov.uk</u> Pompey in the Community 023 9272 8899 Urbond 023 9229 3765 Motiv8 023 9229 3765 PYC pyc@portsmouthcc.gov.uk Portsmouth Mediation Service <u>steve@</u> portsmouthmediationservice.org.uk

You can get this information in large print, Braille, audio or in another language by calling 023 9284 1193

Scan the QR code with the camera on your phone to visit the PYC website.



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