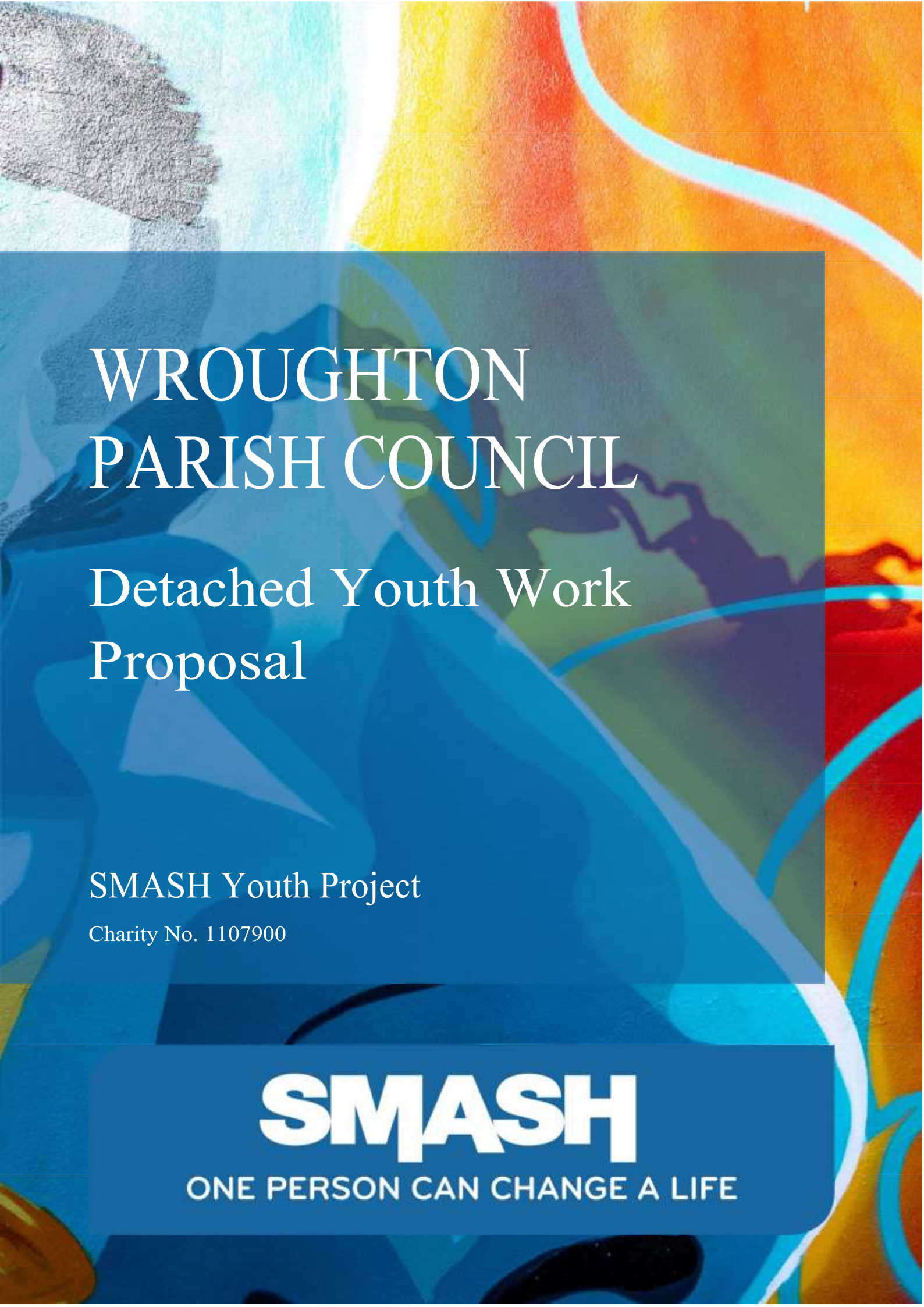




WROUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL

Detached Youth Work Proposal

SMASH Youth Project

Charity No. 1107900

SMASH

ONE PERSON CAN CHANGE A LIFE

SMASH Detached Youth Work Proposal – Wroughton Parish Council

Firstly, thank you for taking the time to consider our proposal – we have really enjoyed meeting with you and hearing your heart for the young people of Wroughton and we'd be delighted to partner with you on this venture.

ABOUT US

SMASH are a Swindon-wide charity who support local young people to flourish. For over 24 years we have provided bespoke mentoring services to children and young people, walking with them as they look to improve their resilience, confidence, self-esteem, friendships, family relationships, or prospects for independent living.

We're a values-driven organisation - they guide our practice and shape our culture.

- We put you first
- Caring is our expertise
- We're generously collaborative
- We speak up when things aren't right

Our hope and ambition is that wherever you might encounter SMASH, your experience is reflective of these values.

We're a registered charity (no.1107900) governed by an elected board of Trustees from a range of backgrounds from local business, education and health. Our CEO has over 20 years experience working with children and young people in the voluntary sector working across a wide range of youth work settings from Detached Youth Work to projects around food.

We are a small team of experienced, well-trained and committed professional mentors working to provide safe spaces and practical support for CYP and their families.

I have my son back and it is so refreshing to
see him focused, enjoying life
and positive about his future.

Text message from parent | March 2023

OUR PROPOSAL

AS PART OF OUR SAFER STREETS
DETACHED YOUTH MENTORING OFFER,
TO DELIVER AN EVENING A WEEK OF
DETACHED YOUTH WORK FOR THE
YOUNG PEOPLE OF WROUGHTON.

PROVIDING POSITIVE ACTIVITIES AND
COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FOR YOUNG
PEOPLE WHERE THEY ARE.



OUR OFFER

As a mentoring organisation, we are passionate about the difference trusted adults can make to the lives of local young people. Our work with Swindon Youth Justice Service has allowed us to develop a Detached Youth Mentoring offer, following their principles of creating fresh AIR for young people – Activities – Identity – Roles. Our intention would be to work with you to provide two staff one evening a week to provide activities through our skilled Detached Youth Workers.

As a specialised youth work organisation, our staff are professionally trained in Mental Health First Aid, Trauma Informed Practice and the principles of youth work. Led by our JNC qualified Lead Mentor Amy, the team will always work safely and smartly putting their safety and the safety of the young people first.

Our approach would be to work with young people around the parish in areas they feel safe and secure, look to engage them in positive activities and conversations, offering advice, guidance and information on local services to them. As we build rapport, and should it be felt appropriate, we'd aim to work with the young people on some community development projects in the medium term, working with the council to improve the local offer for young people.

FINANCIAL BREAKDOWN

Our cost for this work would be £6,240. This would pay for two youth workers for one evening a week (3hrs inclusive of travel from our Pinehurst office) across 52 weeks of the year. If this feels prohibitive, we are of course open to finding a solution with you. This offer includes access to our Safeguarding policies and procedures and any other assistance with areas of governance of work with young people that council would find helpful.

WHAT WE'D NEED FROM YOU

Our team have asked if you'd be able to provide an arrangement for the use of toilets. We'd be grateful of some time with Amanda every 6-8 weeks to debrief, evaluate our ongoing impact and learn from local intelligence on any developing 'hot spots' for young people congregating.

We'd also be keen to understand the outcomes you'd like to see from this work, and would be happy to work with you to create a forum to hear the views of local young people on this if that would be desirable.

IN SUMMARY

We'd be delighted to work with you to provide an important aspect of your local youth offer. We believe in the impact of Detached Youth Work in enabling young people to feel seen and active participants in their local community.

We are happy and able to start at your convenience and look forward to hearing from you in moving this work forward.

Many thanks,



Andy Malcolm
CEO
SMASH Youth Project