

Future Focus

Membership

Membership is Free and Open to all residents of Edenbridge and surrounding areas.

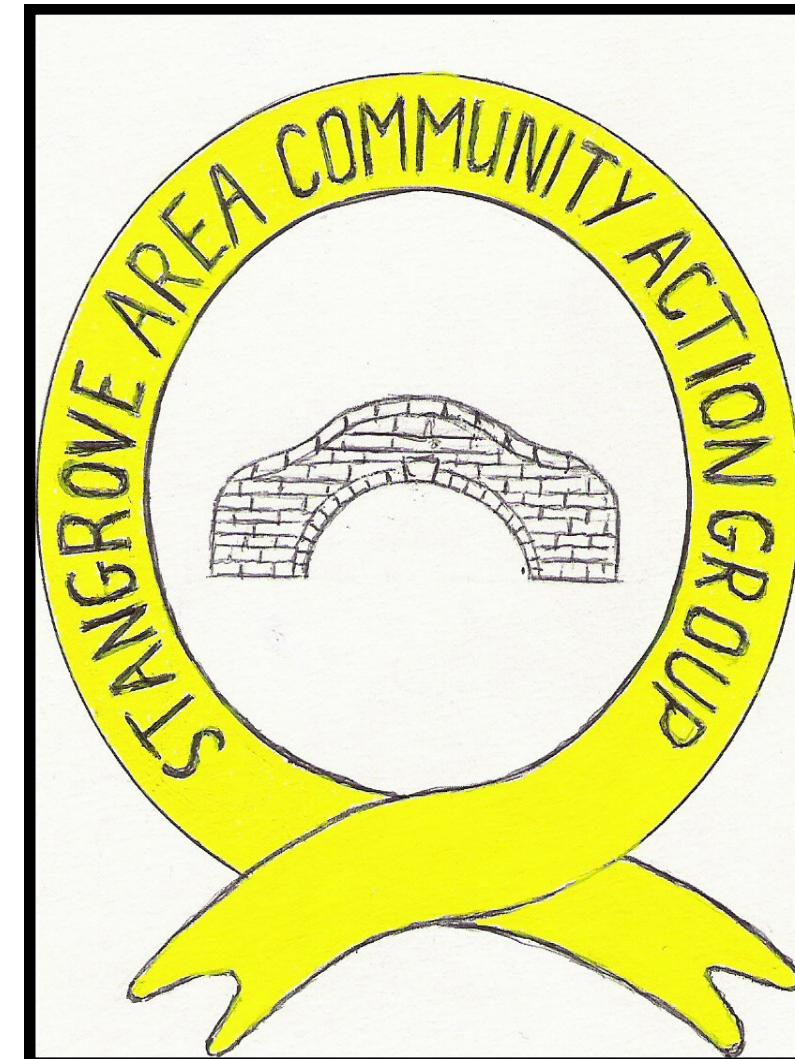
Infrastructure

SACAG are constantly looking to attract more volunteers to support their work. We are in contact with Edenbridge Volunteer Centre to look for potential volunteers, and will keep the local press informed of the various activities. The SACAG newsletter will include a regular section on youth work and upcoming trips in order to keep everyone up to date. One primary future aim of SACAG is to develop a Community Centre on Stangrove to bring residents together, and having more volunteers will be especially important for such centre-based work.

SACAG Working in Partnership with:

F.A. – Family Welfare Association
S.D.C. – Sevenoaks District Council
West Kent Police
Edenbridge Community Warden
Edenbridge Town Council
Edenbridge Leisure Centre – Sencio
West Kent Extra
West Kent Housing Association
Charlton Football Club
BRIDGES
The Eden Centre
Sevenoaks Lion Club
Edenbridge Sports Association
Kent Youth
Kent Youth and Community – KCC
Cllr Peter Lake

SACAG work currently supported by:



Youth Activity
Plan & Programme
2009 - 2010

Stangrove Area Community Action Group

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Introduction

Stangrove Area Community Action Group (SACAG) is committed to developing targeted youth activities that attract young people from the Stangrove Area, as well as signposting existing activities in Edenbridge for young people.

SACAG works with children aged between 5 and 12, young people aged between 12 and 19 and also wants to prioritise young families in the coming year. All trips, activities and excursions will be offered first to those living in the Stangrove area, with any remaining places being open to any young people resident in Edenbridge. At least 60% of any attendees must be from the Stangrove area. This does not apply to major events such as the proposed Celebration Day, where the aim is to bring all Edenbridge residents together.

Ongoing Core Work & Regular Activities – Summer 2009

Detached Youth Work

Every week Joanne Thexton and Nick Hammerton, youth workers, meet with and talk with young people who are out on the streets around the Stangrove area and further afield. They engage with these young people, talking to them about their lives and what activities they would like to get involved with in their area. We have also given guidance on drug and alcohol abuse, sex education, homelessness. As we are not professional trained in these areas we give guidance and refer on to other professional agencies.

The activities & excursions programme below has grown out of our informal chats and ongoing consultation with young people as well as more formal surveys.

Activities & Excursions Programme

As well as the regular detached sessions, which will hopefully engage large numbers of young people, SACAG are keen to provide activities and trips on a larger-scale throughout the year. These encourage young people to try new things and visit places they may otherwise not be able to access, and are diversionary activities during the school holidays, which is generally the time when most anti-social behaviour occurs.

SACAG will be actively taking part in the Edenbridge 'Big Tidy Up' organising a working party all the community including young people to help pick up litter in the Stangrove area on 5 June 2009.

SACAG will also be taking part in the 'Celebration Day' on 28 June 2009. Commemorating the anniversaries of the Stangrove and Spittals Cross estates during 2009 where we aim to not just celebrate these two estates we hope to engage more of the community in the hope to encourage participation and communication.

The plan for 2009-10 is as follows (age groups as described in Introduction above):

July 2009: Weekend Camping Trip to Alton Towers

A must-do trip for all young people and older adrenalin-seekers—a torrent of fun at the UK's most famous Theme Park. This trip is focused on the camping climate where we aim to encourage team participation, help build good communication and all young people will take part in the social cooking and discussion making from the group. Experience camping skills and fun in the evening.

August/September 2009 Trip to London

We plan to visit the Science Museum and the Natural History Museum during these two months. We also would like to include a river cruise along the Thames to view the many great landmarks of our county these will include Houses of Parliament, Tower of London, Tower bridge and the London Eye.

October 2009 10 Pin Bowling

The venue is Tunbridge Wells, giving the local Youth people a chance to experience bowling at a venue which can be inaccessible to those without their own transport. And once again Working and concentrating on team work.

December 2009 Midnight Ice Skating

An exciting and memorable night out at Gillingham ice rink. To experience the thrill of skating at to the early hours.

January 2010 Theatre Trip

An entertaining production from the young and skilled people of the Miskin Theatre, West Kent College in Dartford Kent. Where every year it is a fascinating production of a well known Christmas Panto. This is aimed at showing the young people of Edenbridge what they too could go on to do in their later educational life.

February 2010 Paintballing At Westerham

A fun and exciting team activity—in working together to defeat the opposition. The Team develops communication skills, Planning, co-ordination, decision-making and effective use of resources

Julie u need to put the information regarding Halls Green in here I think????? Cant remember what we said to put in here????
Instead of dymchurch!!

Trip to Dymchurch planned for Summer 2009—date to be arranged
For young families. Day at the seaside with a visit to the amusement park.
Healthy supper provided.