

**HARRINGAY UNITED CHURCH-BAPTIST**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
**January 26, 2014.**

Departmental Reports

**What we did last year:                    Gateway**

2013 Started with lots of young people from Greg City Academy. Most of them influenced by the two Jack Petchey Award winners we saw few months ago. During the exam season the attendance begun to go up and down. After the summer break although we had a new volunteer to teach music, the attendance struggled to pick up.

Towards the end, I discussed with some parents and agreed to start Free tutorial. We now have weekly meetings going through their school work and help mainly with English and Maths. We have made a good start. This is likely to grow.

We also have a new volunteer, someone I was working with in his teen age years and who was part of my team in my previous work with young people.

We have also purchased some new equipments, the main big one is the Table football, funded by Jack Petchey.

**Looking to the Future:**

For the foreseeable future, the club will continue to be a 'drop in' open plan activities, rather than ongoing planned curricular, mainly due to the size of attendees and lack of committed volunteers.

We will enhance our search for committed volunteers. Although experience shows that it is not all that easy.

Since we now have a regular committed core group of young people, it'll be much easier to increase the number and grow the club to a more stable event for the local youth. To help us achieve that, we are updating the leaflet, and I am planning to visit the local schools and find ways for regular access.

Believing things will go as planned, it might be necessary to consider a hourly paid session worker for a trial period of six months, Or, a volunteer with some incentives to appreciate their time or cover their expenses.

**Prayer Points:**

1. Thanks giving: Thank God that has led us thus far to maintain a core group.
2. Ease of access in the local secondary schools: Greg City and Hornsey school for girls, to contribute on regular basis and promote the Club and the Church
3. Access to the local primary schools: South Haringay and north Haringay, which has been very challenging in the past year.