

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Committee held on Monday 18th January 2016 in the Town Hall, Congleton

PRESENT Youth Councillor Matthew Jones (Chairman)

Jade Allen
Sophie Hammond
Bella Statham
Arabella Holland
Thomas Minshull
Michael Howell

Tom Heyes

Sebastian Nixon
Dan Lyne
Edward Akers Smith
Linda Minshull

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Councillors Sally Holland and Liz Wardlaw.

2. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 21st December 2015, and the meeting with Fiona Bruce M.P. also on 21st December 2015 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. **MEMBERSHIP**

The Chairman welcomed Seb, Dan and Edward who attended the meeting with a view to joining the Committee. At the current time there are three potential spaces and it is hoped that new members will join who attend Eaton Bank.

4. **YOUTH COMMITTEE PROJECT - EMPLOYMENT**

Linda updated the meeting on discussions she had with Fiona's Office. It was proving difficult to agree a date to present the letter. It was agreed that members would prefer to visit prior to the Easter break as the focus would be on revision later in the year. Linda confirmed that she would contact Fiona's office to see if a date in late February or early March was a possibility.

Matthew read out the draft letter he had produced. Linda will forward the letter to members and any comments to be returned to Linda before the end of the week. Linda will then print the letter on headed paper, to be signed by the Chairman of the Youth Committee.

5. **YOUTH COMMITTEE HONORARY BURGESS**

Linda informed the meeting that Joe will receive the his Burgess presentation at the Town Council Meeting on Thursday 21st January and encouraged all members to attend.

Tom Heyes left the room while a discussion took place regarding his Burgess presentation. It was agreed that Tom would receive his presentation at the next Youth Committee meeting and Matthew, together with other members, would consider which gift to purchase.

6. **YOUTH COMMITTEE BANK ACCOUNT**

It was reported that the balance is £638.92

7. **YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ITEMS**

Mayor's Ball

Linda gave an update on arrangements for the Mayor's Ball which is on 11th March 2016. Invitations will be forwarded to members after the Town Council Meeting.

Youth Committee Facebook

Matthew confirmed that he had spoken to Nathan regarding the decision on the Website and that Nathan had said that if we need any help in the future to contact him. Linda will put an item on the agenda for the next meeting to discuss facebook items.

Neighbourhood Plan

Linda asked for feedback regarding the neighbourhood plan information. Members agreed to complete the questionnaire and encourage others to do the same. However, it was agreed that young people were reluctant to give feedback as the questionnaire was time consuming.

Carnival Meeting

Matthew provided information on the Carnival Committee.

Youth Forum Meeting

It was reported that the Youth Forum meeting is on Tuesday 2nd February at 3.30 p.m. at Eaton Bank.

Alsager Town Council

Linda informed members that she had been contacted by a representative from Alsager Town Council who had requested that three people from their Council would like to meet members as they would like to start a Youth Council. It was agreed to invite them to our next meeting.

8. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 22nd February 2016 – 7 p.m. – Congleton Town Hall.

Matthew Jones (Chairman)