

Congleton Town Council

Historic market town
Town Clerk: BRIAN HOGAN



11th March 2014

Dear Youth Councillor

Youth Committee - Tuesday 18th March 2014

You are invited to attend a meeting of the Youth Committee, to be held in the Spencer Suite of the Town Hall, High Street, Congleton on **Tuesday 18th March 2014** at **7 p.m.**

Yours sincerely

Linda Minshull

Civic Administration Officer

AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence.
- 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

To confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 10th February 2014 as a correct record. (Copy enclosed).

3. Youth Committee Constitution and membership

To discuss the Youth Committee Constitution and membership.

4. Questionnaire

To discuss progress with the Questionnaire.

5. <u>British Youth Councillor Shadowing Awards Scheme</u>

To progress of this item. Linda will distribute documentation.



6. Workshop with Mike Gilsenan

To arrange a convenient time for the workshop.

7. Past and Future Projects

To give further discussion on this item.

8. Youth Committee Volunteering Website

To discuss progress of this item.

9. <u>Jeanne Whitehurst Award</u>

To discuss nominations for the award and promotion.

10. Youth Committee Bank Account/Fundraising

To confirm the activity on the Bank Account and discuss fundraising.

11. Youth Committee Members Items

Any items that Youth Committee members wish to raise.

12. Any Other Business

13. Date of Next Meeting

To confirm the date of the next meeting.

To: Members of Congleton Town Council Youth Committee, Councillors Barker, Hayes, Mrs Holland and Mrs. Wardlaw, Town Clerk, and Congleton Chronicle.

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Committee held on Monday 10th February 2014 in the Town Hall, Congleton

PRESENT Youth Councillor Joseph Hearson (Chairman)

Catherine Hassell Thomas Minshull Jamie Bernardi Kirby Jennings

Councillor Liz Wardlaw Councillor Denis Murphy

Linda Minshull

Dominic Rogers, Youth Ambassador to the Police and Crime Commissioner also attended the meeting.

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Jordan Goodwin, Tom Heyes and Matthew Jones and Councillor Larry Barker.

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 14th January 2014 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record with the addition of the attendance of Councillor Liz Wardlaw being added to the minutes.

YOUTH AMBASSADOR 3.

Dominic Rogers, Youth Ambassador to the Police and Crime Commissioner gave an update on his role. He explained that he represents the views of young people under the age of 25. He works with young people whether they are perpetrators or victims of crime. Dominic gave information on the types of projects he is involved with and hopes to work with the Youth Committee on a range of issues.

YOUTH COMMITTEE CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP 4.

Joe gave an update on a meeting he and Linda had with Larry to discuss various changes to the Constitution. Larry had drafted the changes and members were given a copy to review and bring their comments to next meeting.

5. QUESTIONNAIRE

Joe and Jamie gave an update on the questionnaire. Linda confirmed that the payment had been sent to Survey Monkey and it should take about a week for them to set up the account.

6. BRITISH YOUTH COUNCILLOR SHADOWING ADWARDS SCHEME

Linda confirmed that the scheme had been approved at the previous Town Council Meeting and she was very pleased that so many Councillors offered to participate in the scheme. Linda asked Youth Committee members to confirm to her if they wished to be involved and if they had a preference of a Councillor to Shadow and she would make the necessary arrangements.

7. PAST AND FUTURE PROJECTS

The questionnaire is the main current project. Once the results have been collated a report will be produced. It is envisaged that this will be presented to Fiona Bruce M.P. with a view to focusing the work of the Committee.

It is anticipated that the Drugs Intervention Project will continue in the schools. It is also hoped that another husting style event will be organised towards the end of the year with the focus on the 2015 elections.

8. YOUTH COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERING WEBSITE

Cathie gave an update on discussions with Nathan and confirmed that she now has the passwords.

9. JEANNE WHITEHURST AWARD

Joe and Cathie confirmed that promotion of the award had taken place in both schools and they were confident that nominations would be received. Linda confirmed that the scheme had also been promoted to Youth Forum members.

10. YOUTH COMMITTEE BANK ACCOUNT

It was reported that the balance is £673.92.

11. YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ITEMS

Patient Panel - Readesmoor Medical Group Practice

Joe introduced this item and asked Councillor Denis Murphy to give an update on the Patient Panel. Denis gave an overview and explained that the Panel is looking for a young person who is a patient at the practice to attend their meetings. Jamie expressed an interest and Linda asked him to give it some thought and then confirm to her if he was able to help and she would make the arrangements.

Mayor's Ball

Linda confirmed that the Mayor's Ball takes place on 14th March and requested replies from members.

12. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Jamie expressed concerns regarding the possibility of the new Leisure Trust taking control of Hankinson's Field. Denis gave information on plans for the disposal of open space by Cheshire East and said he would keep the Youth Committee updated on any information he has and forward Youth Committee concerns in meetings he attends.

13. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 18th March 2014 – 7 p.m.

Joseph Hearson (Chairman)