

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Committee held on Monday 18th March 2014 in the Town Hall, Congleton

PRESENT Youth Councillor Joseph Hearson (Chairman)
Thomas Minshull
Jamie Bernardi
Jordan Goodwin
Arabella Holland

Councillor Larry Barker
Councillor Sally Holland

Linda Minshull

1. **APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Tom Heyes, Catherine Hassell, Kirby Jennings, Matthew Jones and Councillors George Hayes and Liz Wardlaw.

2. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 10th February 2014 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. **YOUTH COMMITTEE CONSTITUTION AND MEMBERSHIP**

A discussion took place regarding the draft Constitution. Members thanked Larry for his work on the Youth Committee Constitution.

RESOLVED: It was agreed to make the changes to the Constitution.

Linda raised concerns over membership and attendance and it was agreed that members would work to encourage new members to the Committee.

4. **QUESTIONNAIRE**

Joe gave an update on the progress of the questionnaire. It was noted that 150 replies had been received to date.

The Committee wished to formally thank Jamie for all his work on the questionnaire and Survey Monkey.

Joe agreed to forward a final version of the survey to Linda so that some paper copies could be produced. Sally stated that the Antisocial Behavior Group want to use information from the survey when the results have been analysed.

5. **BRITISH YOUTH COUNCILLOR SHADOWING ADWARDS SCHEME**

Linda gave an update of the scheme and distributed copies of the handbook and log book.

6. **WORKSHOP WITH MIKE GILSENAN**

Linda gave an update on discussions with Mike Gilsenan and suggested Wednesday 9th April for the workshop.

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 hustling style event will be organised towards the end of the year with the focus on the 2015 elections.

8. **YOUTH COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERING WEBSITE**

This item was deferred as Cathie did not attend the meeting.

9. **JEANNE WHITEHURST AWARD**

Linda stressed the importance of this item and informed members that to date no nominations had been received.

10. **YOUTH COMMITTEE BANK ACCOUNT**

It was reported that the balance is £673.92.

11. **YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ITEMS**

Joe gave some information on the Lions Young Leaders Scheme.

Joe volunteered to attend a Visyon event

12. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None.

13. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 9th April 2014 – 10 a.m. workshop with Mike Gilsenan followed by Youth Committee Meeting at 11 a.m.

Joseph Hearson (Chairman)

