

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Committee held on Tuesday, 20th April 2010 in the Town Hall, Congleton

PRESENT Youth Councillor Jon Foster (In the Chair)
Jonathan Bond
Lesley Lewis
Joschka Roffe
Emma Satchwell
George Hayes
Matthew Procter
Eleanor Roberts
Alexander Rushton

Mrs. Linda Minshull (Congleton Town Council)
Councillor Mrs. Jeanne Whitehurst (Town Councillor)
Cat Haycock (Youth Worker)

1. **APOLOGIES**

There were no apologies.

2. **MINUTES OF LAST MEETING**

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 2nd March 2010 and Report on the meeting of the Political Question Time on 4th March 2010 be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. **U.K. YOUTH PARLIAMENT**

Sarah Gaskell, Youth Worker at Connexions attended the meeting to give information on her role. Sarah talked about her work with the U.K. Youth Parliament and provided copies of the Cheshire East Youth Parliament Manifesto. This gives details of the Cheshire East Youth Parliament members and deputies and the aims and issues they are working on.

Sarah invited members to a conference on 2nd June and also encouraged Youth Committee members to complete the young people's on-line survey.

Sarah informed the meeting about the Youth Opportunity Fund and asked members if they wished to express an interest in becoming involved in accessing applications. The following members registered their interest – Jon, Matthew, Eleanor, George and Lesley. Sarah confirmed that she will provide information and details of training dates to Linda.

RESOLVED – Linda and Sarah arrange a meeting to progress the aim of working together on projects.

4. **FUND RAISING SHOW**

It was agreed that this item be discussed in more detail at an informal working group on 11th May arranged by Jeanne.

5. **I.C.T. ISSUES**

This item was deferred due to lack of time and other priorities at this meeting.

6. **VISIT TO THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENT**

It was agreed that this item be discussed in more detail at an informal working group on 11th May arranged by Jeanne.

7. **YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ITEMS**

Town Council Constitution

Members discussed the proposed changes to the constitution regarding the Youth Committee items. Jon agreed to inform the Town Council of the views of members at the next Town Council Meeting.

Visit to Congleton

Emma informed the meeting about a visit to Congleton by students from Ukraine. She has invited members to speak at a school assembly for the students and will provide more information and dates when available directly to members.

8. **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Town Mayor's Cadet Scheme

Linda informed the meeting that the selection panel had interviewed five excellent candidates and Jack Schofield had been selected as Town Mayor's Cadet for 2010/11.

Political Question Time

Linda updated the meeting about positive feedback she had received from candidates following the Question Time. Linda informed the members that after the General Election on 6th May she will be able to contact the new M.P. with a view to working with the Youth Committee.

9. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting is 18th May 2010 at 7.00 p.m.

Jon Foster - Chairman

