

Congleton Town Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Committee held on Thursday 19th February 2018 in the Town Hall, Congleton

PRESENT Youth Councillor Michael Howell – Joint Chairman
Arabella Holland
Laetitia Eichinger
Diyana Nikolova

Councillor Sally Holland

Linda Minshull

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Thomas Minshull and Councillor Charles Booth

2. MINUTES OF LAST MEETING

RESOLVED – That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 7th December 2017 were signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

3. MEMBERSHIP

Linda has had contact with Eaton Bank and arranged with them to meet with their Senate. A possible date is 9th March but this is to be confirmed.

Arabella stated that it may be best, to not be too concerned about official membership numbers, as work was being done with young people on an informal basis.

4. M.A.D. FOR CONGLETON

Charles was unable to attend the meeting but had forwarded an update on the project to Linda.

There is a facebook page – MAD for Congleton Day
There is also paperwork available for individuals and sponsors to sign up and consent forms. Jeff from New Life Church is promoting the event in Congleton High School and elsewhere.

Members discussed the arrangements and asked Linda to feedback to Charles the following –

It was suggested that an Instagram page be set up in addition to Facebook

Members would like to support Charles and Jeff with the promotion, particularly in Congleton High. They wondered if Jeff was also going into Eaton Bank.

5. **YOUTH CINEMA PROJECT**

Members discussed this project and it was agreed that Linda would get the contact at Daneside Theatre. They would like to arrange a meeting to discuss whether film nights could be arranged for young people.

6. **PROJECTS**

It was agreed that members would like to focus on the problems of drugs and would like to support any Substance Awareness days in the High Schools. Arabella reported that she had discussed with past member Maddy Summerfield, the previous survey and report carried out by the Committee. Arabella would like to run a similar survey and compare the results.

Sally suggested we invite the new Police Inspector and Glen Williams to our next Youth Committee meeting.

Linda reported that at the meeting with Congleton High School, Dave Brown had suggested arranging a joint school Council meeting with both High Schools and Town Councillors to discuss issues.

Members will arrange an informal meeting to discuss this project in more detail prior to the next formal Youth Committee meeting.

7. **MAYOR'S CIVIC BALL**

Michael, Arabella, Laetitia and Diyana confirmed that they will be attending the Mayor's Ball on 9th March 2018.

8. **JEANNE WHITEHURST AWARD**

A discussion took place regarding this award. It was agreed that it would be suspended for this year. Members asked for this initiative to be reconsidered in October/November to see if a member would take the lead and asked Linda for this to be an agenda item later in the year. It was suggested that it may be better if this project is not run every year so that nominations are different than previous years.

9. **YOUTH COMMITTEE BANK ACCOUNT**

It was reported that the balance is £548.92.

10. **YOUTH COMMITTEE MEMBERS ITEMS**

Town Council Meeting

Linda reminded members that the next Town Council Meeting is on Thursday 1st March at 7 p.m. and encouraged members to attend.

11. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 9th April 2018 - 10.30 a.m.

Michael Howell (Joint Chairman)