



NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON

28.06.2010

Venue: Stroud Youth Centre

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

VOTING MEMBERS

Thomas Lydon, Marling**	P
Rob Price, Marling	P
Becky Batting, Cam & Dursley YF	P
Kamila Gebicka, Cam & Dursley YF	Ap
Kit Powell, Thomas Keble	P
Alex Buckley, Thomas Keble	P
Isobel Holley, Stroud High	A
Rosemary Dickinson, Stroud High	A
Kieran Chadwick, Archway	P
Robin Ellis-Cockcroft, Archway	A
Ben Dewfall, Katharine Lady Berkeley	P
Emma Sankey, Katharine Lady Berkeley	Ap
Lindsey Driver, Rednock	Ap
Annie Pickering, Stonehouse VoYS	P
Connor Walker, Stonehouse VoYS	A
Isobel Tyrrell, Minchinhampton YC	A
Megan Roberts, Minchinhampton YC	A
(Rudi) Blue Morgan, Stroud College	P
Petra Lalikova, Stroud College *	A
Dave Holder, Maidenhill	A
Millie Gardiner, Maidenhill	P
Alex Phelps, Vale of Berkeley	A

EX-OFFICIO

Jess Howell, Cam & Dursley YF	A
Hilary Dixon, Katharine Lady Berkeley's	A
Frank Gillison, Vale of Berkeley	A
Andrew Burbidge, Nailsworth YF	A

DEPUTY MEMBERS

Vicky Law, Cam & Dursley YF	Ap
Beth Jones, Cam & Dursley YF	P
Emma Topping, Katharine Lady Berkeley	A
Will Robson, Katharine Lady Berkeley	A
Jens Newton, Thomas Keble	P
George Thomas, Thomas Keble	Ap
Cerys Bradley, Stroud High	P
El Linsell, Stroud High	Ap
Charlie Cox, Archway	A
Lynford Short, Archway	Ap
Amy Neason, Minchinhampton YC	A
Ashley Skerten, Stroud College	A

CO-OPTIONS

Hagar Niblett	Ap
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**** = Chair * = Vice-Chair P = present**
A = absent Ap = apology

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Miles, Senior Hear By Right Youth Officer, SDC
 Helen Smith, Youth Support Worker, Sub Contracted from GCC Youth Service
 Nathan Portlock, Business Support Assistant, SDC
 Helen Fitzgerald, Student Liaison Officer, Stroud College
 Danny James, Senior Youth Worker, GCC Youth Service

Minutes of the meeting

Welcome & Apologies

The Chair welcomed members and guests to the meeting, particularly Jens Newton the new deputy representative from Thomas Keble.

Apologies were received from Kamila Gebicka, Emma Sankey, Lindsey Driver, Vicky Law, George Thomas, El Linsell, Lynford Short, and Hagar Niblett.

Minutes of the last meeting – 7th June 2010

The minutes were agreed as being an accurate record.

Matters Arising

Housing Improvement Plan

Annie agreed to communicate with Lindsey and Cerys to organise a date and time – this would be done immediately.

10:10 Campaign

Members were reminded that they agreed a few meetings ago to highlight one action they would take to reduce their personal Co2 footprint, a list would be compiled and included into the actual signing up to this campaign – this still had not been done. Annie agreed to put it on a Facebook for discussion in the member's only part.

Stanley Downton Street Lighting

Kit reported that she had not had a reply to her e-mail from the young woman who had made contact.

Grant Funding - Youth Opportunity Fund Applications

Steve reported that there were two applications put forward - one for the 2010/11 Members Training Programme (approx £10,000) of which only £2,000 was granted, the other was for Young Peoples Community Safety Packs (approx £4700) of which only £1,000 was granted. Steve explained that money for each Panel in the County had been reduced by the County Council due to the cut backs directed by new Coalition Government – at present there was also some fear that granted money could also be withdrawn. A detailed discussion was had on new policy regarding grant funding.

Members Annual Training

Members were informed about the likely impact due to shortage of funds – a discussion was had on different ways of cutting costs for members training. Steve and Danny will consider alternative options for this autumn training and would update members in due course. Millie, Kieran, Kit, Annie, Becky, Alex, Beth and Jens agreed to meet and help consider the options.

Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

Annual Review Session 09/10 & SDC Consultation Event

It was agreed to change the forthcoming annual review session to **Monday 6th September** – a 'year ending' activity would be considered.

Following the previous agreement in principle to attend a consultation event on the SDC Corporate Plan and Budget, it was agreed to hold this on **Thursday 9th September** – the outcomes of the

annual review would be used at this event. The event will be hosted by the SDC Corporate Team at Ebley Mill.

Local Strategic Partnership Meeting - Report

Tom explained that included in the key themes of the LSP's Sustainable Community Strategy for 2010 was one specific to young people i.e. *Investing and listening to young people*, the themes objectives featured the following; '*...encourage delivery of partnerships to engage with SDYC and adhere to the principles of youth engagement e.g. Hear by Right*'. It was highlighted that their was an important role to play in all parts of the strategy.

Update on Schools, Colleges and Local Youth Forums

Maidenhill

Millie reported Biker week happened and a few students joined in. While Stonehouse boys was making a video about Stonehouse.

Marling

Tom reported that the Tripswitch was finished and they also did a biker week event both events had positive response. Also the staff at Marling made presentations which Tom thought it was good.

Thomas Keble

Alex and Kit reported that there was going to be a council meeting for a new member. They also said there was a 6th form taster day and an Evening Achievement is about to happen soon.

Cam & Dursley

There's going to be a constitution discussing about fund raising.

Stroud

The college has banned Facebook from the library due to students wasting time and being anti-social.

Katherine Lady Berkeley

Nothing to report

Archway

Nothing to report

Rednock

Nothing to report

Maidenhill Student Participation Presentation.

Millie gave a presentation on Maidenhill's new school council plan including a lower and higher chamber. It is a well structured plan where it doesn't use the students lunch time instead it uses lesson time usually 30mins to 1 hour. The year 11 can only be in the council if they were in the year before. The president can only be a year 10 and whoever wants to be the president has to make a 30 sec video manifesto. Also the teachers recognise the students being involved and take notice in the problems.

Vale of Berkeley College Closure

Steve reported that a final decision had been made by the County Council about Vale of Berkeley College - it is closing due to not being good for value of money – this will take place in September 2011. It was understood the decision could be appealed against.

10th Anniversary SDYC

Steve reported that The Barn at Berkeley's facilities was considered by the committee as very impressive. They have 2 choices of rooms for a showcase event, which are;

Grand Hall

This can hold 100 – 300 people.

Suite Loft

This can hold 50-150 people.

The date still needs to be set for this. The committee will meet again soon.

Social Network Project

This is for the SDYC main hub which still needs a name and the website will include upcoming activities and events for young people and also links appropriate for young people. A Facebook discussion will be held for the name.

Litter Project

Izzy wasn't there. Didn't meet the week before need to sort out date. The Litter Audit will happen on Sunday 4th July and Tom and Annie will be doing it. Steve will co-ordinate the times through e-mail.

Trip House of Commons

Talks about a trip to the House of Commons showed some interest a date round September?

Date of the next meeting was confirmed as being Monday 19 July 2010 in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill, 4.30pm.