

NOTES OF THE MAIN MEETING ON:

Date: Monday 16th July 2018

Time : 16:30

Venue: Museum in the Park, Stroud

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

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| Α | Katie Pugh (Archway School) | ΑF |
| Р | Claire Gee (Cainscross Youth Forum) | Αſ |
| Р | Lucia Oldbury (Stroud High School) | Р |
| р | Mary Hutchinson (Stroud High School) | Р |
| Р | Hannah Macadam (Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF) | Р |
| Р | Evie Bennett – Stone (Wotton-Under-Edge YF) | Α |
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** = Chair * = Vice-Chair (L) = Leader (D) = Deputy Leader P = Present A = Absent AP = Apology given # = present for part of the meeting

Principal Members: (ET) = Employment & Training, (H) = Housing, (E) = Environment, (LD) = Local Democracy, (HWB) = Health & Wellbeing

Others Present

Steve Miles, Senior Youth Officer, Stroud District Council
Jemma Grieve, Youth Participation Officer, Stroud District Council
Steven Deproost, Museum Learning & Access Officer, Stroud District Council

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting especially new members; Ben Stone from Marling School, Mary Hutchinson from Stroud High School. Apologies are listed on the record above. Members introduced themselves including who/where they represent.

2. Introduction and Tour of the Museum - Steven Deproost, Learning & Access Officer

Members took part in an introduction and tour of the Museum which was led by Steven Deproost, learning and access officer and George Adamson who did work experience at the museum a few weeks ago.

3. Minutes of the Last Meeting - 18th June 2018

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record following changes to page three, stating that; 'Human Rights fortnight involved the whole school and organised by year 10s". Proposed by Lily Haines; Seconded by: Oli King

4. Matters Arising

a) Stroud's Secret Suffragist - consider opportunity to learn more (All)

Members agreed to invite Jacqui to September's meeting or maybe the Local Democracy Focus Group if attending September's meeting isn't possible.

b) Vision 2050 youth debate – receive feedback from the event (Oli/ Helen)

Vision 2050 Youth debate – See Oli report – highlighted 6 major proposals for development in Gloucestershire. Significant that young people had yet to have been consulted prior to this event. 400 young people are leaving the county each year and not returning. Liked idea of a youth 2050 board.

c) Youth Select Committee: Submission of Evidence – to note (Steve)

Members were informed that evidence was submitted to the BYC regarding the call for information on work experience. Details of the SDYC work experience report from 2014 was included along side more recent programs and initiative i.e. Stroud Ambitions careers event and the Skills for Stroud Employability Charter.

d) National Democracy Week Garden Party – Feedback (All)

Excellent and positive event, Helen and Robin Ellis-Cockcroft (former SDYC member) gave presentations. Lots of engagement with adult councilors. Not many young people at the event. Maybe Equaliteas activity could have been in a different location. Speakers good but there was a slight clash with other parts of the event. Good to raise awareness with older people. Elections team to consult SDYC earlier and through the right contact.

e) Mental Health First Aid Training – Feedback (All)

Seven members attended. It was informative and many would maybe do it again. Members felt it needed more focus on what the signs are and how you can support someone ahead of any professional intervention. Recruitment to the course was sometimes difficult.

5. Correspondence

Gloucestershire Strategic Hate Crime Forum, We Are One Awards

An enquiry has been received from the forum with regards to their community up-stander's awards programme, which recognises those who make their communities more inclusive, tolerant and nicer. There is an under 18's category and the enquiry asked if SDYC could provide a judge. Steve highlighted that details on dates, time commitment required and more information about the award had been requested but not yet received.

Remembering Srebrenica - presentation date confirmed

Representatives from the Remembering Srebrenica charity have confirmed they will attend the SDYC Main Meeting

on 19 November 2018.

Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner (OPCC) hosting SDYC in October

The OPCC have confirmed they are happy to host the SDYC Main Meeting on 15 October – this will take place at the Police Headquarters, Waterwells, Quedgeley. They will present their proposal on a Youth Friendly Gloucestershire project, aimed at improving the lives of children and young people in the county and increasing opportunities.

Retiring - Evie Bennett Stone

Evie has recently informed us that she is retiring from her role as deputy representative for Wotton Youth Forum, having been unable to attend meetings for a number of months.

NHS Clinical Commissioning Group - Personal Health Budgets for Children in Care

SDYC have been asked to consider a new programme proposal that is being considered for children in care. The programme relates to personal health budget's for children in care and involves five stages referred to as 'Your Journey' – a leaflet has been produced explaining each stage and also includes a 'jargon buster'. It was agreed that the Health Focus Group should consider this request and respond to the them accordingly, perhaps through an invite to the next meeting.

6. Updates from School & College Councils and Local Youth Forum groups

Berkeley Vale Youth Forum – Members attended Berkeley festival and promoted the group. A very positive event.

Cainscross Youth Forum – The group are considering a local youth survey. Cashes Green Community Centre now welcomes young people at the venue and would be happy to host the youth forum group meetings.

Hardwicke Youth Forum – The group are drafting a youth consultation for the wider community and recently met Hardwicke rangers youth football club to consider a new youth club venue.

Katharine Lady Berkeley School – Activity fortnight. Head teacher announced retirement next Easter (2019). Student Council met to present proposals for next year.

Maidenhill School – Nothing to report.

Marling School – Nothing to report.

Rednock School – History trip clashed with 'Deep Learning Day' program regarding Cam and Dursley Youth Forum introduction day – it was postponed until 23 July.

Stroud High School - Had a hosting day with Ribston Hall. Redesigning student council constitution for next year.

Stroud Town & Five Valleys Youth Forum – the live band event at the subs went really well and considered a huge success.

Wotton Youth Forum - Presentations in KLB assemblies and lunch times by Jemma - not a huge interest

7. Reports from Focus Group Meetings

A) Health Focus Group – 27 June 2018 – Proposed by Tom H and seconded by Helen.

<u>Youth Friendly GP Surgeries</u> – Further progress was made on drafting what the indicators would be for ascertaining a youth friendly surgery. The group began to work on the qualitative basis of 4 levels. Discussions emerged that there were physical aspects to a surgery that would be judged, alongside more data/ statistics aspects. It was noted that the group would continue its work to draft a proposal in the coming months.

<u>Improving school nursing</u> – this item was not discussed in any detail, although it was felt that a face to face conversation with the Public Health Gloucestershire Commissioners would enable the group to gain more

information on their proposed changes to the service. It was noted that following the agreement at previous SDYC Main Meeting, Public Health Gloucestershire Commissioners would be invited to attend the next meeting. The next meeting is Monday 30th July 2018.

B) Local Democracy Focus Group – 12 July 2018

No report. The meeting had been postponed.

8. British Youth Council Report

a) Regional Youth Voice Convention, 23 June - Report

The event programme included talks on pensions and discriminating against young girls who become pregnant. There was a debate on gender quotas in the work place, with the general opinion of delegates being that there shouldn't.

b) **Preparation for BYC ACM – Saturday 1**st **September –** an overview of the forthcoming event was given, although policy motions up for debate were not yet known. In light of this members agreed to devolve responsibility to the Leadership Team to consider the motions in advance of the event – members would be consulted via email to gain feedback on the motions. Theme for the event was; Equality and Minority.

9. Forthcoming Meetings and Events

Members were reminded of the following;

- a) SDYC Anti-Bullying Project Team Meeting Thursday 19 July
- b) SDYC Health Focus Group Meeting Monday 30 July
- c) Youth Voice Rounder's & BBQ Event Tuesday 14 August

10. Any Other Business

Canal Project Volunteering Day

Jemma highlighted an opportunity of doing a practical activity as part of the ongoing canal restoration – this would involve working with the canal team and possible other adult volunteers. Members were encouraged to confirm interest as soon as possible.

11. Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next has been agreed for Monday 17 September 2018.