



NOTES OF THE MAIN MEETING ON:

Date : Monday 18th June 2018

Time : 16:30

Venue: Council Chamber, Ebley Mill

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

VOTING MEMBERS

Nyima Trawally (<i>Archway School</i>)	P
Helen March (<i>Archway School</i>)	P
George Adamson** (<i>Berkeley Vale Youth Forum</i>)	P
Oli King (<i>Cainscross Youth Forum</i>)	p
Rebecca Hunt (<i>Cainscross Youth Forum</i>)	AP
Jonty Fuller (L) (<i>Katharine Lady Berkeley School</i>)	P
Amy Jones* (<i>Katharine Lady Berkeley School</i>)	P
Macy Stanton (<i>Maidenhill School</i>)	P
Thomas Haynes (LD) (<i>Rednock School</i>)	P
Amelie McKenna (<i>Stroud High School</i>)	P
Catherine Loewenthal (<i>Stroud High School</i>)	P
Tom Wickham-Bassett (<i>Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF</i>)	P
Lily Haines (<i>Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF</i>)	P
Isabelle Llewellyn (HWB) (<i>Thomas Keble School</i>)	AP
Luna Stephens (<i>Wotton Youth Forum</i>)	AP

EX-OFFICIO

George Sutton	A
Tom Schaffner	A
Alex Lin-Vines	A
Lauren Davies	A
Holly Hughes	A
George Sutton	A
Alexandra Parker	A

DEPUTY MEMBERS

Katie Pugh (<i>Archway School</i>)	AP
Claire Gee (<i>Cainscross Youth Forum</i>)	AP
Lucia Oldbury (<i>Stroud High School</i>)	P
Mary Hutchinson (<i>Stroud High School</i>)	AP
Hannah Macadam (<i>Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF</i>)	AP
Evie Bennett – Stone (<i>Wotton-Under-Edge YF</i>)	A

CO-OPTIONS

**** = 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
Rachael Hill, Youth Work Officer, Stroud District Council
Leon Linton-Blake, Hardwicke Youth Forum
Michaela Bailey, Hardwicke Youth Forum

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting, especially to new members from Stroud High School, Amelie McKenna, Catherine Loewenthal and Lucia Oldbury, plus members from Hardwicke Youth Forum; Leon Linton-Blake and Michaela Bailey. Apologies are listed on the record above.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting – 21st May 2018

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record following changes to page three, stating that; 'Stroud High School will welcome a school dog next year'. *Proposed by Tom Wickham-Bassett; Seconded by: Lily Haines.*

3. Matters Arising

a) Co-options – Update on communication with other organisations

Helen stated that she had begun a conversation with her member contacts in Guides, but further communication would be needed to pursue how they could be represented formally.

b) STFV Youth Forum, Youth Band Event – Friday 13 July 2018: *Now That's What I Call Stroud!*

Tom Wickham-Bassett promoted the event, promotional material and poster has now been circulated on Facebook and sent to SDC Youth Work Network contacts.

4. Correspondence

Stroud's Secret Suffragist

Jacqui Stearn is working with Cllr Chas Townley to celebrate the life and legacy of Margaret Hills, the first woman to be elected to Stroud Urban District Council in 1928. Jacqui would be more than happy to introduce members of the youth council to the Women's Suffrage timeline on the wall of the blue room in the Centre for Science and Arts in Stroud Town. She is happy to have conversations after the National Democracy Week.

Vision 2050 youth debate

BBC Radio Gloucestershire is hosting a youth debate looking at the future of our county – Vision 2050. Some interest in attending was shown by members, information will be sent to them.

Stroud District Outdoor Youth and Play Survey

Stroud District Council is working with Ethos Environmental Planning to undertake a Green Infrastructure, Sport and Recreation Study. This is part of the Local Plan process. An important part of this work is looking at the adequacy of current provision of outdoor play and youth facilities and planning for the future to meet local needs and aspirations. The study includes things like equipped play areas; Multi-Use Games Areas (MUGAs); skate parks and wheeled sports; and youth shelters/seating areas. Having had input to the survey design from some SDYC members this is now available online and via Facebook to be completed.

Single Use Plastic

Cllr Catherine Braun has been in touch regarding the drafting of the SDC Action Plan on Single Use Plastic and would really like to involve younger people in the work. Catherine asked if the youth council would be interested – the response was positive with lots of interest coming from members who were passionate about this issue.

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

Archway School – Exams are on going, student council meetings have been taking place. Rachael has visited to do promotional work regarding youth forum groups. Students are currently being consulted regarding mental health provision in school; members suggested they consider the KLB model regarding Talk In Confidence initiative.

Berkeley Vale Youth Forum – No meetings have taken place in the last few weeks. Recruitment work is taking place

including visits to Sharpness Youth Club. Group members will be attending the forthcoming Berkeley Festival.

Cainscross Youth Forum – Whilst Nyima, Rebecca and Oli have been unable to attend for a while Claire and new member Shannon have been working with Rachael on further recruitment discussion on a potential youth talent event. Rachael and Jemma have recently attended a Paganhill community event to discuss and promote the group. Katie expressed a wish to join the group.

Hardwicke Youth Forum – The group have recently under taken a tour of the Javelin Park incinerator. The group is also planning a community consultation regarding youth matters.

Katharine Lady Berkeley School – Very exam focused so no student council meetings have taken place and work experience programs are under way.

Maidenhill School – No report.

Nailsworth & Minchinhampton Youth Forum – Recruitment to the group has gone well and they are now meeting regularly. A tour of the area was undertaken recently. An event is being planned for the summer that will bring the community together and will potentially involve other youth forum groups.

Rednock School – A student team are attending the debate/committee event on 6th July at Ebley Mill as part of National Democracy Week. A Deep Learning Day activity will take place at the Vibe Youth Centre in Dursley, this is being run by SDC Youth Workers with view to recruiting young members to Cam & Dursley Youth Forum and other youth forum groups.

Stroud High School – Year 10 Prefects are have been decided. Human Rights fortnight involved 6 year 10's. The school dog is coming next year.

Stroud Town & Five Valleys Youth Forum – The main focus has been on the live music event 'Now That's What I Call Stroud!' event promotion. Members attended the Annual Town Event and gave a presentation followed by a question and answer session on youth issues. Tom WB and fellow group member Millie were congratulated on their presentation.

Wotton Youth Forum – Very exam focused so no meetings have taken place.

6. Reports from Focus Group Meetings

A) Health Focus Group – report of meeting on 11 June 2018 (presented by Lily in Issy's absence)

Youth Friendly GP Surgeries: planning for this project began with scoping what the best and worst surgeries would look like. The report recommend that a discussion is had at Main Meeting, to add more ideas and details to the list of examples. This was done and included; poor at communication, and enabling university students coming back home to re-register easier, receptionists needing some level of Mental Health First Aid training on how to deal with young people's potential insecurities and confidentiality.

Improving School Nursing: The report asked Main Meeting to note, that this project needs more work from group members and interaction with Public Health Glos' Commissioners is required.

Mental Health First Aid Training: The report recommended that all SDYC Members make every effort to attend this training course on Monday 9 July.

The report was approved.

B) Local Democracy Focus Group – report of meeting on 14 June 2018 (presented by Tom H)

National Democracy Week - 1 to 6 July 2018: The report asked Main Meeting to note, that an SDYC member's team will be attending the Garden Party at the Museum on 1 July, to run the Equalities activity - as many members as possible are asked to attend. Members (who are in year 9) and from Archway, Rednock, Marling and Stroud High are encouraged to enquire with their schools regards to being in the Committee Debate teams for event at Ebley Mill on 6 July.

Response to successful SDC Votes at 16 motion: The report recommended that SDYC investigate the feasibility and

sustainability of signing up for various national youth voice campaigns. Also recommended that SDYC investigates the possibility of inviting Adopted Lords and local MPs to either a main meeting or focus group meeting to discuss our projects and issues. Main Meeting decided that communication with them needed to be re-opened and that the issues we wish to discuss with them decided upon before inviting them to any meeting.

Items for the next meeting: Review of National Democracy Week, Voter Registration.

The report was approved.

7. Report from Local Strategic Partnership meeting on 8 June 2018

Lily Haines and Tom Haynes attend the partnership meeting, deputising for Jonty Fuller and George Adamson. Lily and Tom reported that a presentation from GFirst Local Enterprise Partnership was informative but didn't have any direct link to SDYC work at present. They added that the presentation from the Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group gave a strategic overview of their development plans, some of which linked to the work SDYC are doing with them on mental health and emotional well-being. During 'Partner Updates', they both gave a brief report on the key projects and issues being tackled by SDYC.

8. British Youth Council Report

a) Youth Select Committee: Evidence Submission on Work Experience

As this is one way of directly having opinions heard by central government, members discussed the benefits and agreed to submit the SDYC Work Experience Report from 2014 plus details of what has happened since.

b) Regional Youth Voice Convention – 23 June 2018

It was noted that SDYC representatives will be attending – Helen, Lily, Jonty and George.

c) Consider Submission of Policy Motions for ACM

Whilst members discussed submitting a policy motion to be debated at the ACM, they highlighted the need to have researched and formulated the issue, then prepare the statement in advance of the deadline. It was concluded that we would not submit a motion this year but would consider an amendment, once the policy motions were known.

Other matters to report included: an opportunity to join the BYC Board of Trustees; notice of the All Party Parliamentary Group enquiry into Youth Affairs including youth work – it was noted that SDC youth work staff would likely to submit evidence; the BYC Annual Council Meeting was on 1st September.

10. Forthcoming Meetings and Events

a) SDYC Anti-Bullying Project Team Meeting – Monday 25 June

This was promoted and members were encouraged to attend – Rachael would be facilitating this project.

b) National Democracy Week Garden Party – Sunday 1 July

Whilst noting that members of the Local Democracy Focus Group would be attending, all members were encouraged to come along and support the event.

c) Mental Health First Aid Training Course – Monday 9 July

This was promoted and members were encouraged to attend – Rachael would be facilitating this project.

11. Any Other Business

Neighbourhood Watch Association – Representation from SDYC

Oli highlighted that he was still being sent correspondence from the association and was able to attend on some occasions – he asked members if they wished him to continue to do so or whether a new representative should be nominated. Members agreed that Oli should continue in this role.

12. Date of the Next Meeting

The date of the next has been agreed for Monday 16 July 2018.

