



NOTES OF THE MAIN MEETING ON:

Date : Monday 19th February 2018

Time : 16:30

Venue: Council Chamber, Ebley Mill

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

VOTING MEMBERS

Nyima Trawally (*Archway School*)
 Helen March (*Archway School*)
 George Adamson (**L**) (*Berkeley Vale Youth Forum*)
 Oli King (*Cainscross Youth Forum*)
 Rebecca Hunt** (*Cainscross Youth Forum*)
 Jonty Fuller (*Katharine Lady Berkeley School*)
 Amy Jones (*Katharine Lady Berkeley School*)
 Alexandra Parker (*Stroud High School*)
 Thomas Haynes (*Rednock School*)
 Tom Wickham-Bassett* (*Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF*)
 Lily Haines (*Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF*)
 Isabelle Llewellyn (**HWB**) (*Thomas Keble School*)
 Luna Stephens (*Wotton Youth Forum*)
 Holly Hughes (*Wotton Youth Forum*)

DEPUTY MEMBERS

Ap	Katie Pugh (<i>Archway School</i>)	P
P	Eden Kingston (<i>Archway School</i>)	A
P	Paige Collard (<i>Berkeley Vale Youth Forum</i>)	A
Ap	Claire Gee (<i>Cainscross Youth Forum</i>)	A
P	Tyler Needham (<i>Maidenhill School</i>)	A
Ap	Hannah MacAdam (<i>Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF</i>)	P
P	Evie Bennett-Stone (<i>Wotton Youth Forum</i>)	Ap
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EX-OFFICIO

Libby Powell	A
Charlotte Bignall	A
Tom Schaffner	A
Alex Lin-Vines	A
Lauren Davies	P
George Sutton	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
 Cllr, Miranda Clifton, Stroud District Council
 Frances Clark-Stone, Public Health Gloucestershire County Council
 Phillippa Diedrichs, UWE, Bristol
 Conrad Moore, Principal Planning Officer, Stroud District Council

1. Welcome and Apologies

The Chair welcomed members to the meeting, especially guest Frances Clark-Stone, Phillippa Diedrichs, Cllr Miranda Clifton and Conrad Moore. Apologies are listed on the record above.

2. Minutes of the Last Meeting – 15th January 2018

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record. *Proposed by Lily Haines; Seconded by: Amy Jones.*

3. Introduction of new SDC Youth Work Team Members – Jemma Grieve & Rachael Hill

The Chair reported that recruitment of 2 new youth workers was successful and the Council would be welcoming Jemma Grieve and Rachael Hill to the team very soon. Steve added his thanks to members involved with the recruitment process. He highlighted it had been the first time young people were involved with recruitment of staff and that it may pave the way for future involvement of this kind.

4. Matters Arising

- a) **SDYC Residential Training Event 2018 – Feedback from members:** Different outdoor activities but some content for workshops the same; food was average. Good length of time, better training; more effort from members needed to bring any separate groups together next time. Some more familiar, could have been more inviting. Trip to Hopewell Colliery was very good and educational. Rock climbing was good fun. Thanks to Steve and Daisy for coordinating the event.
- b) **SDC Youth Voice Representative Survey 2017/18:** the participation ‘turn out’ so far was highlighted, any young people not completed to date will get a reminder.
- c) **SDC Local Plan Review:** Conrad presented a draft report of the workshop. He highlighted additional workshops with local schools as well. Feedback from members should be sent to Steve. Members asked how the report will be used – Conrad explained it would be included in the official overall report of consultation carried out, but would easily identified as being from young people. It will be presented to the government inspector.

5. Correspondence

Festomane Events:

Members were made aware of the following Festomane events; Bloodhound Engineering Workshop and Cyber Security Workshop. The workshops are free and being held at SGS Berkeley Green UTC on Saturday 24th February to any appropriate year 9 and year 11 students. They are aimed at 14+ years old and up. It’s a celebration of the areas rich heritage and modern-day strengths in manufacturing and engineering. Festomane is a celebration of our industrial past, present and future. Festomane Apprenticeship & Careers Show 8th March 2018, 4pm to 7pm.

UK Youth Parliament Gloucestershire:

Report on Mental Health Support in Schools was presented. UKYP Glos’ survey was intended to help them in their campaign and would enable them to work out what the main areas of concern are for young people in Gloucestershire. The survey received 1385 responses in total, from 20 different schools across Gloucestershire. Results on education about Mental Health, accessing support from a school nurse or counselor, accessing support from school staff and stress. It was agreed the Health Focus Group would pursue these outcomes further.

NHS Gloucestershire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG):

On-line counseling for young people - as a consequence of ongoing work around children and young people’s emotional health, the CCG are now looking to commission an online counseling service for young people aged

between 11 and 24 that will operate from 4pm – 9pm, 5 days a week (Sunday to Thursday). They have asked whether SDYC members would be interested in getting involved in the procurement process - all members present agreed that this would be a great opportunity. More details to be sent to members to confirm their involvement.

Girls Get Active project:

Nailsworth and Minchinhampton Youth Forum invited members to their Girls Get Active Skate Party (including all female youth voice representatives across the District) on Saturday 10th March at Stratford Park Leisure Centre - the skate party starts at 4:30pm and finishes 6:30pm.

6. Update from School & College Council's and Local Youth Forum groups

Archway School – No student council meeting. School Show in January (Beauty and the Beast) was very successful. Writing club SAGA story was also successful. Gold ties are given out for effort awards.

Stroud Town and 5 Valleys YF – Library was closed last week. Closing Down event update includes the search for a venue.

Cam & Dursley YF – Plan in place for recruitment.

Wotton YF – No Report.

Katharine Lady Berkeley School – The school dog now has a high profile on Instagram.

Berkeley Vale YF – George no longer active in Berkeley due to house move.

Rednock School – Information on recruitment to Cam and Dursley Youth Forum will be shared with the school by Tom H.

Stroud High School – Random acts of kindness week coming up. Centenary on votes for women event. New head girls elected.

Nailsworth & Minchinhampton YF – Roller skating party at Stratford Park Leisure Centre – this is the last of the Girls Get Active sessions funded by Active Glos.

Thomas Keble School – Looking to improve award system for students.

7. GCC / GCCG / UWE Bristol – Presentation on Body Image Project

Frances and Phillippa introduced themselves and asked members about their understanding of body image. The project surveyed 1000 young people (11-18) locally. This research is linked to that carried out across the world – the pilot project in Gloucestershire is linked to the 'Future in Mind' program to improve mental health in young people. The pilot worked with 4 schools; years 9 and 10; out of 822 interested, 278 took part (these were aged 13-15). An opportunity will become available to 'stay in touch' and they are keen to link up with young people outside of schools who are in their late teens / early 20s. Some work on a project with young males is being planned. Members are encouraged to send a list of questions to Steve and he will send to Frances. SDYC to potentially help with engaging with young people outside of schools. It was agreed the Health Focus Group will pursue this opportunity.

8. Youth Friendly Surgeries – Discuss Project Objectives

Following the opportunity from the GP Locality Executive Group for SDYC to create a youth friendly surgery scheme, members considered what the initial objectives would be – the following was noted;

The scheme needs to link to each surgery and PPG.

Need to outline what a youth friendly surgery looks like

Are receptionists medically trained?

Are they using technology to check-in?

Online booking is good, but what is a surgery for?

How do I book?

Are Young people assigned to a GP?

Maybe do a survey to consult others – this would help determine how the client is treated for certain issues regarding stigma i.e. mental health, sexual health. It was agreed the Health Focus Group should pursue this work.

9. British Youth Council Report

It was noted that recent local news had profiled the issue around making sanitary products more accessible for those below poverty line – in light of what SDYC spoke about at the BYC Annual Meeting, it was suggested that SDYC should make links with GCC regarding this matter.

Members can view last week's Members Update, with updates and opportunities for BYC members including a survey we are running with all our members to help improve our member offer, here: [https://mailchi.mp/c03e61f3bcf1/british-youth-council-members-february-update?e=\[UNIQID\]](https://mailchi.mp/c03e61f3bcf1/british-youth-council-members-february-update?e=[UNIQID])

End of year survey for all youth representatives – currently no responses from South West, young people will receive an award for recognition for their year. We believe it is important for everyone to reflect, recognize and celebrate their achievements because when you take time to reflect you often notice small steps and changes you have made; it gives you a chance to celebrate your achievements and it is necessary to learn from the past to effectively plan for the future. We have therefore created this online survey for youth representatives who have been involved in Youth Voice Work in 2017-18, to give them space to reflect and recognize their achievements. On completion of the online survey, Youth representatives will have the opportunity to receive a certificate which records the skills developed throughout the past year.

BYC have asked that we circulate this to all youth reps who have been involved with any of the British Youth Council's programs in 2017-18. <https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/endofyearYV> **Deadline:** 19th February

10. Members Training Opportunities – Mental Health First Aid; Young Drivers Course

Castle Combe Startline Advanced Drivers Course on Sunday 18th March 2018 - we have asked members that they return their booking forms signed by a parent/guardian and the deposit of £7.50 by the extended deadline of Wednesday 21st February at the latest which will confirm their place.

Mental Health First Aid Training – the opportunity to participate in such training was embraced by all members present (bar Katie). More information would follow at the next meeting.

11. Any Other Business

There was no other business.

12. Date of Next Meeting - Monday 19th March 2018 – this would be include the Annual Review Session.