



## NOTES OF THE MAIN MEETING ON:

**Date : Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2019**

**Time : 16:30**

**Venue: Stroud Fire Station**

### **YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:**

#### **VOTING MEMBERS**

Nyima Trawally ( <i>Archway School</i> )	A
Helen March ( <i>Archway School</i> )	P
Emma Champion ( <i>Berkeley Vale Youth Forum</i> )	P
Oli King ( <i>Cainscross Youth Forum</i> )	AP
Claire Gee ( <i>Cainscross Youth Forum</i> )	P
Thomas Haynes ( <i>Cam &amp; Dursley Youth Forum</i> )	P
Maxie Wells ( <i>Cam &amp; Dursley Youth Forum</i> )	P
Miki Bailey ( <i>Hardwicke Youth Forum</i> )	P
Leon Linton-Blake ( <i>Hardwicke Youth Forum</i> )	P
Jonty Fuller <b>(L)</b> ( <i>Katharine Lady Berkeley School</i> )	P
Amy Jones* ( <i>Katharine Lady Berkeley School</i> )	AP
Ben Stone ( <i>Marling School</i> )	P
Marcus Fuller- Watts ( <i>Marling School</i> )	P
Issy Llewellyn <b>(HWB)</b> ( <i>Nailsworth &amp; Minchinhampton YF</i> )	P
Billy Smeaton ( <i>Nailsworth &amp; Minchinhampton YF</i> )	P
Amelie McKenna ( <i>Stroud High School</i> )	P
Catherine Loewenthal ( <i>Stroud High School</i> )	AP
Tom Wickham-Bassett ( <i>Stroud Town &amp; Five Valleys YF</i> )	P
Lily Haines ( <i>Stroud Town &amp; Five Valleys YF</i> )	P
Frankie Fry ( <i>Thomas Keble School</i> )	P

#### **DEPUTY MEMBERS**

Katie Pugh ( <i>Archway School</i> )	AP
Megan Ashford ( <i>Berkeley Vale Youth Forum</i> )	AP
Shannon Griffin ( <i>Cainscross YF</i> )	A
Conner Roberts ( <i>Cam &amp; Dursley YF</i> )	P
Ellie Archer ( <i>Cam &amp; Dursley YF</i> )	AP
Shannon Griffith ( <i>Cainscross YF</i> )	A
Baz Leach ( <i>Hardwicke Youth Forum</i> )	AP
Finlay Smith ( <i>Hardwicke Youth Forum</i> )	P
Hope Edgell ( <i>Nailsworth &amp; Minchinhampton YF</i> )	AP
Lucia Oldbury ( <i>Stroud High School</i> )	AP
Mary Hutchinson ( <i>Stroud High School</i> )	A
Hannah Macadam ( <i>Stroud Town &amp; Five Valleys YF</i> )	P

#### **EX-OFFICIO**

George Sutton	A
Tom Schaffner	A
Alex Lin-Vines	A
Lauren Davies	A
Holly Hughes	A
George Sutton	A
Alexandra Parker	A
Luna Stephens	A
Rebecca Hunt	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  
Cllr Miranda Clifton, Stroud District Council

## **1. Welcome and Apologies**

In the absence of the Vice Chair and pending by-election of Chair, the Leader welcomed members and Cllr Miranda Clifton to the meeting. Apologies are listed on the record above.

## **2. Minutes of the Last Meeting – 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018**

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record. *Proposed by Tom Wickham-Bassett; Seconded by: Thomas Haynes.*

## **3. Matters Arising**

### **a) Stroud Valleys Landscape Project / Walking the Land – Update**

Following a request for more information on this project, Walking the Land expressed further interested in working with SDYC to produce work for their upcoming exhibition at the Museum in the Park, 28<sup>th</sup> March to 28<sup>th</sup> April. Creative Sustainability, the co-coordinators of community participation for the Canal Project have now also taken on work with this project. Involvement would now link the canal restoration to the wider landscape, including the Commons and the Nailsworth Valley. Writings, photographs, sound, drawings etc. that both express response to the places we walk and highlight the plight of other species. Members were left to consider this opportunity, with some expressing concerns that the provisional dates of 27<sup>th</sup> January and 18<sup>th</sup> February were incompatible with extra exam study particularly during the half term break. Unfortunately the small number of members felt they could no longer pursue this opportunity but thanked Stroud Valleys Landscape Project.

### **b) Sustainability and Environment Education (SEEd) Workshop – Update**

The dates options for the workshop are, either; Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March or Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March – it will run from 4pm-6pm. The workshop will be an introduction to SEEd and to critical thinking and decision making, engagement, and modeling some of the deep thinking behind SEEd and how they bring about real change in the world. This will be an interactive workshop, designed to get youth councilors thinking about their roles and exploring new techniques and ways of thinking. It was agreed that 4 March would be most suitable.

### **c) Youth Voice Christmas Celebration Event – Feedback from 19 December**

Most members who were able to attend, felt they got to meet other young people from different youth forums. It was relaxed and included a good presentation. It was good to hear what other young people were doing, good postcards, Christmas trivia, chosen teams, forfeits, pass the parcel and fancy dress.

## **4. Correspondence**

### **Resignation - Lucia Oldbury**

Lucia had decided that she should step down and let someone else take her role as she had not been able to commit as much time as initially thought. She hope someone else would take the opportunity on and help the council improve things for young people.

## **5. By- Election Results for position of Chairperson**

Helen March and Tom Wickham-Bassett were both nominated for the post. Following an online ballot, Helen was elected as the Chairperson for the remainder of the year. Both candidates were thanked for their standing. Helen was congratulated.

## **6. Updates from School & College Councils and Local Youth Forum Groups**

**Cam & Dursley YF** – Planned project ideas included research into the C-card scheme (condom distribution) and carrying out speed checks in community with PCSO's. They had recently met Dursley's Town Clerk and were hoping to meet with Cam Parish Council Clerk soon. A presentation to respective Parish Councilors and Town Councilors would also be planned soon.

**Thomas Keble School** – Discussion on a reducing plastic project suggested that the school should stop selling such items and move towards refilling containers. The school were looking to offer free green bottles at Reception.

**Stroud Town & Five Valleys YF** – Reflective work had taken place to consider the groups identity. They had recently met with staff at the Town Council to further discuss the consultation on future plans for Park Garden.

**Marling School** – Unfortunately no student council meetings had taken place since September 2018. Support was offered to SDYC reps' to explore the reason for this non-action.

**Nailsworth & Minchinhampton YF** – Currently preparing presentation to Nailsworth Town Council regarding past, present and future projects. They had met the Clerk regarding the emerging cycle path project which stretches from Stroud to Nailsworth. The track needs refurbishing in most areas.

**Archway School** – Helen reported that she had still not been invited to Student Council meetings. The Council had recently met and discussed faith as a theme. The Sixth Form are focusing on mock exams and planning spring ball. A talk with David Drew was being planned. Helen was recently on Points West news. Year 11 are undertaking mock exams. The student council meeting today which SDC youth worker Rachael attended included discussion on health.

**Stroud High School** – Change of head girl leadership at half year point. Amelie asked for the student training day report (compiled by SDC youth workers) in which to reflect on learning and recommendations.

**Berkeley Vale YF** – Preparation is under way for the Tales of Old Berkeley presentation and tour – it is hoped potential new members will emerge from this event.

**Hardwicke YF** – Finished consultation survey. Designing logo in a few weeks. Finlay has been elected as a new SDYC representative as deputy member.

**Cainscross YF** – whilst Cashes Green Community Centre is to be the new meeting venue for the group, some changes have had to be made to dates/times as another organization has extended their use of the venue.

## **7. Reports from Focus Group & Project Team Meetings**

### **a) Health Focus Group – 14 January 2019**

#### Updates – Youth Friendly GP Surgeries Project

To note – still waiting on dates to do presentation.

#### Sexual Health Services

The group did some research around the C-Card (Condom distribution card), sexual health services, STIs and Pregnancy. They looked at accessibility of services in Stroud and across Gloucestershire. As we researched, we prepared questions to ask to The Eddystone Trust at the next meeting. To note – Research done in preparation for visit from The Eddystone Trust.

Proposed by; Issy. Seconded by; Thomas Haynes.

### **b) Leadership Team – 15 January 2019**

#### Outcome & Impact Monitoring – potential members involvement

To note – Further progress will be made once the draft template is produced.

#### Plan lobby meetings with SDC Group Leaders, MPs, and Lords

To note – that the leadership team will further develop a manifesto document and present a proposal at the February main meeting.

### Constitution Changes for 2019

To note – that the leadership team will further develop a manifesto document and present a proposal at the February main meeting.

### Employment and Training Projects

To note – that the skills for Stroud Employability Charter is no longer being facilitated by SDC and that without their facilitation the involvement of SDYC on this initiative will end.

### SDYC attendance at the SDC Community Services and Licensing Committee Meeting

To recommend – that as SDYC Principal Members would be involved with a presentation at the next SDC CSL Committee Meeting, other members should attend to lend support to the presentation.

### Research into the Parliamentary Education Service

To note – Tom H would be researching the Parliamentary Education Service.

Proposed by; Jonty Fuller. Seconded by; Issy.

## **8. British Youth Council Report (inc Regional Youth Voice Convention) – Helen and Lily**

Helen, Lily, Tom H and Ben attended the recent regional convention with support from Jemma. Members heard from adult decision makers on knife crime with additional focus on national crime statistics. Ofsted were also in attendance to discuss support for young people in schools. The Ofsted consultation was now available.

The campaigning workshop enabled reps' to meet Hanna Doherty, the member of youth parliament for Stroud and Cotswold's, she expressed a wish to attend an SDYC meeting in the near future.

The reps' revealed that they had nominated Steve for the Youth Voice Worker Award in the BYC Youth Voice Star Award programme – they had produced a film as part of the nomination. Following the showing of the film Steve was presented with the winners plaque. Steve thanked members for their nomination and expressed his surprise at the award. He will attend the national ceremony in March.

## **9. Forthcoming Meeting & Events:**

Members were asked to note the following meeting dates;

- a) SDYC Anti- Bullying Project Team Meeting – 23 January 2019
- b) SDYC Health Focus Group Meeting – 28 January & 11 February 2019 – Meeting plan is a visit from the Eddy Stone Trust – they will present to the group about the C-Card, what it means, how to get it and where you can get it from. Trusts wants to consult the group on what they know about the C-Card and what needs to be done.
- c) SDC Community Services & Licensing Committee Meeting – 31 January 2019
- d) SDYC Leadership Team Meeting – 12 February 2019
- e) SDYC Training Residential – provisional dates: between 18 & 22 February 2019
- f) SDYC Local Democracy Focus Group – To be confirmed

## **10. Any Other Business**

There was no other business.

## **11. Date of the next meeting**

Monday 25 February 2019