

NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON

20.03.2006

Venue: Council Chamber

Stroud District Council

4:30pm- 5.40 p.m. Time:

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

Amy Jade, Minch Youth Club	Α	Meg Brown, Wotton Youth Club	Р
Ashley Skuse, Wotton Youth Club	Ρ	Ben Smith, Stroud College	Α
Becky Perry, Peer Education Group	Ρ	Ruth Royall, Stroud Youth Centre	Α
Dean Morgan, Archway	Α	Ceri Wills, Rednock	Ар
Elsie Kenny, Rednock **	Р	Josephine Marshall, Stroud High	Ap
Erfan Fadaei, Marling	Р	Josh Conway, Painswick Youth Club	Α
Georgina Greenwood, Stroud High	Α	Ben Challis, Marling	Р
Joe Tarran, Painswick Youth Club	Α	Danielle Russell, Minch Youth Club	Α
Katherine Birkin, Thomas Keble	Р	Amy Lang, Dursley Youth Centre	Р
Polly Lord, KLB	Ρ	Oliver Timms, Marling	Α
Sam Durn, Stroud College	Α	Mandy Noble, Cashes Green YP	Α
Tadhg Martin-Haydock, Thomas Keble	Α	Freddie Whittaker, Archway *	Α
Stuart Gardener, Maidenhill School	Α	Max Webb, Stonehouse YC	Α
Dan Mcintosh, Maidenhill School	Α	Kelly Hooper, Cashes Green YP	Α

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

OTHERS PRESENT

Mark Harsant, SDC Steve Miles, Glos Youth Service Phil Sullivan, Head of Community Safety John Howe, Frampton Parish Council SDC

Councillor Elisabeth Bird Councillor Miranda Clifton Before the meeting commenced a presentation was made to the 2006 Gloucestershire Young Person of the Year Award nominees. Cllr Chas Fellows and Cllr Sybil Bruce presented the nominees with a certificate and an award.

The nominees were,

Becky Perry, Faunne Cox (not present), Will Szczepura, Claire Matthews, Grant Harman and Tom Elliott.

The Chair welcomed all Youth members, Guests and Officers to the meeting.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Ceri Wills and Josephine Marshall.

NOTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The notes of the meeting held on 27th February were accepted.

The Chair explained that although David Dowse was on the agenda to present to the Youth Council regarding the Stroud Litter Campaign he had sent his apologies. This is because he has accepted a job abroad and will be based out of the country for the foreseeable future. David past on his thanks to the Youth Council for all there help and support up to now.

JOHN HOWE - FRENCH VISITORS UPDATE

John circulated the invitation for the organised 'get together' between the Stroud District Youth Council and the Youth Council of Bourgbarre, Brittany. The event is taking place on the 18th April at 2pm in the School Room, Chapel Lane, Frampton-on-Severn.

Mark will e-mail Amy the PowerPoint presentation, which SDYC will be giving on the day so she can translate it into French.

NIGHT BUS

Elsie and Ceri attended a Local Strategic Partnership meeting on 3rd March in Dursley. On the agenda was the night bus and there were concerns that it was not getting much publicity. The LSP will continue to support the night bus and £20,000 from the 2nd Homes Money was put forward for approval by the County Council. Elsie suggested that young people get involved in this initiative by inputting their opinions on the timetable, route, and cost. This may help the night bus be more popular with young people.

Ideas brought up at the meeting were to put a timetable up in each local bus stop and display a timetable in the Stroud cinema.

Any further suggestions should be made to Elsie or Ceri so they can feedback to the LSP.

YOUTH CABINET REPORT

No Youth Cabinet took place

UK YOUTH PARLIAMENT REPORT

Nothing to report

REPORT FROM MEMBERS

Elsie – Attended LSP meeting (see above). Fair Trade sale for Fair Trade fortnight at school

Katherine – Fair Trade Café at school. Opportunity for pupils to sell Fair Trade food like cookies and chocolate.

Polly – Skip Walker, editor of Gazette is yet to get back to Polly regarding Youth Councillor columns. They are still not being published. Polly will e-mail Dave Marshall (Public Relations Officer) for advice.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

As mentioned at the last meeting Phil shared with the members the idea of a Neighbourhood Warden Sub Group involving Young People from the Youth Council. He re-iterated the reasons behind this and suggested the first sub group meeting be held at the end of the next Youth Council meeting on 10th April in Wotton. (Youth Councillors were happy with this suggestion). Phil stated the availability of lifts home after this meet for Youth Councillors from two neighbourhood Wardens who are also attending on the day.

If you would like to know more about this group please contact Phil Sullivan. E-mail – phil.sullivan@stroud.gov.uk

At this stage Mark will be the link between Phil and Youth Council members if any correspondence needs to be addressed.

ITEMS FOR NEXT AGENDA

Phil suggested that two Neighbourhood Wardens present to the Youth Council. The presentation would be titled 'A day in the life of a Neighbourhood Warden'.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

To be held at Wotton Youth Centre, Wotton-Under-Edge, 4.30pm on Monday 10th April.

The Chair thanked John Howe, Councillors and Officers for attending the meeting.