

SEVENOAKS YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

NOTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 03 FEBRUARY 2010 AT THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER, SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL

Present: Tamanna Miah, Frances Ainsworth, Naomi Sparks, George Pearce, Daniel Sabin, Sarika Breeze, Heather Barnett, Amy Borrowman

In Attendance: Cllr Eyre, Cllr Parry, Cllr Piper, John Levett (Sevenoaks Summer Festival) Linda Larter (Chief Executive / Town Clerk), Laura Gardner (Committee Clerk)

Apologies for Absence

Charlie Conn, Emma Power, Roberta Stephens.

96. Minutes

The minutes of the meetings held on 25 November 2009 were approved.

97. Financial Report

This was approved with the balance currently standing as shown below:
Balance at 26th January 2010 £1604.03

98. Potential Youth Café at the Stag update, decision of presentation to KCC.

The refusal of grant from Kent County Council was discussed. It was explained that there were a lot of applicants, and at the time of the Youth Café application a lot of money had already been allocated, so it was very encouraging that we have got this far. The Youth Council will be applying again in May, at which time the Planning Permission (one of the things picked up on with the last application) should be completed.

99. Away Day Event

It was discussed whether to attend an away day at Halls Green Activity Centre. The Council felt there may be other ways they could spend their money including possibly benefitting the Youth Café. It was decided that each Youth Councilor will email the Committee Clerk (planning@sevenoakstown.gov.uk) as to whether they would like to attend the away day and also with any ideas they have of different ways to spend the Youth Council's budget.

100. Go green Challenge/Fundraising Youth Cafe

Linda updated the Youth Council on the cartridges being collected at the Stag. Cllr Piper mentioned a cartridge collection point in Curry's on Otford Road, George Pearce would send a letter to ask if funds could be donated to the Youth Council.

101. Skate Competition/Skatewise Outing Reminder

The Outing was cancelled due to the snow, and the Competition is postponed until better weather. It will need to be booked fairly soon as South in Tunbridge Wells are very popular for judging these competitions and get booked up very quickly.

102. Representatives of Sevenoaks Summer Festival to come and talk about the Youth Element of the festival.

John Levett gave a presentation on the Summer Festival and the ways it is being changed to include young people events. Last year there was a Climbing Wall in Blighs Car Park, a Jazz Workshop which will be a Rock Workshop this year. There is a stage outside Marks & Spencer, where winners of Local Band Competitions can play.

The Youth Council were interested in taking part in this event. It was thought that it could be a good idea to include the Skate Competition with the festival, and perhaps hold a small competition in the lower car park at Sencio to make people aware there is a competition going on.

Youth Councillors were also keen to hold a Ukulele workshop, they have become very popular in the area with not many people able to teach Ukulele.

Heather and Amy were keen to incorporate Young Enterprise with the Festival, and approached the idea of having a stall to sell things.

The deadline for the brochure is the end of February, so all ideas must be finalised by then,

The Youth Councillors would also be interested in face painting for children in the Shambles as this is seen as a 'Children's Area'.

It was agreed that a logo is needed for the Youth Council and it would help if it was ready in time for the brochure, Frankie said she would help with this but due to school commitments she will need more time. Other members are encouraged to come up with ideas for the logo.

103. Issues to take to KCC

Tamanna asked if there were any issues that the Youth Council would like her to bring up in her KYCC meetings.

Tamanna told the council of things the KYCC are currently working on:

Extending the freedom pass to trains

Introducing solar paneled eco friendly street lights

Planning a large music event for local youth. This will be planned over the next year.

104. Dates of Future Meetings

Members were happy with the dates of future meetings. A memo was handed out with details of dates that have changed.

The Meeting Closed at 7.00pm.