

**MINUTES OF THE SEVENOAKS YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL
HELD ON 4TH JANUARY 2012 IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Meeting Commenced: 6.10 p.m.

Meeting Concluded: 7.15 p.m.

Youth Councillors Present	In Attendance	Apologies for Absence
Holly MacAskill	Cllr Andrew Eyre	Sarika Breeze
Tim Copeland (Treasurer)	Cllr Richard Parry	Emma Power
James Harker	Cllr Simon Raikes	Emma Sutton
Tamanna Miah (Chairman)	Cllr Pam Walshe	Katie Shipton
Liam Delaney-Cole	Linda Larter, Town Clerk	
Shane Owen	Keith Rowell, West Kent Extra	
	Jodie Howe, West Kent Extra	

96. Minutes of the Meeting held on 23 November 2011

It was noted that Emma Sutton had been present and that the Minutes were a true record.

97. Finance Report

Tim Copeland, the Treasurer presented the financial report with the following balances:-

- a) £1,038.96 general
- b) £3,330 KCC grant balance for Youth Café plans
- c) £151,905.28 Youth Café Fund

98. Talent Show

The Youth Council had previously discussed the potential of holding a Talent Show working with the Greatness and Hillingdon Youth Forum.

Keith Rowell and Jodie Howe were present to discuss the project.

RESOLVED:

- a) That the Talent Show take place on Friday 27th April 2012
- b) Sevenoaks Youth Council work with Greatness and Hillingdon Youth Forum and the profits shared between the two groups. (Sevenoaks Youth Council's to be put towards Youth Café)
- c) James Harker, Holly MacAskill, Tamanna Miah to be involved in the working party, school exams permitting
- d) A fee of £400 would need to be paid to the Stag Community Arts Centre
- e) Project support would be provided by West Kent Extra

6.25 p.m. Cllr Simon Raikes arrived.

99. Youth Council

- a) The Youth Council received a verbal report from Cllr Richard Parry in relation to the future of the Youth Council querying why the Town Council should continue to support the Youth Council.
- b) A document providing details of Youth Councillors attendance levels had been circulated with the Agenda.

- c) Tamanna Miah provided a verbal report regarding new Youth Councillors and potential barriers to this.

These matters were discussed at some length.

RESOLVED: The Town Clerk would work alongside Youth Councillors to provide a report to the next Youth Council meeting.

100. Joint Fundraising with Friends of the Stag – Quiz Night – Friday 30th March 2012

Friends of Stag will provide the venue, the refreshments, help on the night and help with publicity by distributing flyers.

RESOLVED:

- a) Each Youth Councillor to provide a team (6) and collect money - £3 each
- b) Cllr Eyre to assist a young person to be the Quiz Master
- c) All Youth Councillors to assist with publicising to other youth groups

101. Youth Café Updates

The Town Clerk provided a verbal update on the following matters:-

- a) Press Embargo
- b) Legal documents
- c) 1 – 1 meetings progress report with potential revenue funding partners, £56,660 identified to date against a required £61,160
- d) Ramp v lift

RESOLVED: As soon as legal documentation and press embargo had been lifted a Working Party would be arranged to meet and discuss the decoration and general Youth Café project.

102. Dates of Youth Council Events 2012

102.1 A copy of the 2012 diary dates had been circulated with the Agenda. It was noted that one date was incorrect – correct version attached to the Minutes.

102.2 Youth Advisory Group Meeting, 5 p.m. 24th January 2012 in the Council Chamber – Liam, Shane and Holly to attend.

102.3. Greatness and Hillingdon PACT Meeting, Thursday 26th January 2012 at the Community Centre – Shane to attend.

102.4. Under 18 night for Red Nose Day – not to proceed with this activity

102.5 Annual Skateboarding Competition – to put on hold

102.6 Events for Sevenoaks Summer Festival 2012 – to put on hold

102.7 Events for Summer Holiday 2012 – to put on hold

RESOLVED: To put on hold new activities and concentrate on the Youth Café project.

103. Website

A complaint had been submitted regarding the company providing assistance with the website.

104. Street Lighting Issues

Youth Councillors reported that they had concerns about some street lights not working and areas of the town where street lights were needed.

RESOLVED:-

- a) Youth Councillors to identify the number on the streetlight and the street which it was within and forward details either to Sevenoaks Town Council or Kent County Council.
- b) Youth Councillors to identify locations where it was considered that additional street lights were needed and bring the information back to the next meeting.

105. Updates

It was noted that Sencio was now offering a gym discount for young people. The Youth Council had previously made representation to Sencio on this matter (Minutes 24 and 62).

106. British Youth Council

The Town Clerk presented Tamanna Miah with a Youth Voice Award for her work with the Sevenoaks Youth Council.

107. Next Meeting – 15th February 2012

- Connexions U-Chat 5.30 – 6.00 p.m. (minutes 23.11.2011)
- Sevenoaks Youth Council 6.00 p.m.
- Youth Services Sub Cttee 7.00 p.m.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the Meeting.

Signed.....

Dated

Chairman