

**SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE YOUTH SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE
HELD ON 17 SEPTEMBER 2014
IN THE SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES**

PRESENT

Cllr Mrs P C Walshe (Chairman)
Cllr C L L Baker
Cllr A Eyre
Cllr R Hogarth
Cllr R J Parry
Youth Councillor Alexander Dunn
Mr Shane Mochrie-Cox, Kent County Council - Community Youth Tutor
Linda Larter MBE, Chief Executive/Town Clerk
Michèle MacDonald, Committee Clerk
Mrs Caroline Berry - SAYT / Churches Together

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr N J L Busvine OBE (Vice Chairman)
Cllr S L Arnold
Cllr A S Clayton
Cllr S Raikes (Mayoral Duties)
Cllr R L Piper
Mrs Theresa Seal, KCC Area Youth & Community Worker
Ms Kelly Webb, Community Safety Team Leader, SDC

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public were present

The Chairman introduced the new Youth Cafe Manager, Ms Gail Grieves to the members of the Youth Services Sub-Committee and welcomed her to Sevenoaks Town Council.

72 DISPENSATION

No requests from Members regarding any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in any items on the agenda were received [S31 & 33 Localism Act 2011 refers].

73 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

74 MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that

- i) Youth Services Sub Committee
the minutes of the Youth Services Sub Committee meeting held on 23 July 2014 which were adopted at Council on 30 June 2014 be received and noted.
- ii) Youth Council
the minutes of the Youth Council meeting held on 23 July 2014 which were adopted at Council on 30 June 2014 be received and noted. **It was NOTED that** elections take place in November 2014 for a new Youth Council for the term 2014 to 2016.

75 **HOUSE IN THE BASEMENT (HITB) YOUTH CAFÉ**

It was RESOLVED that the

- i) HITB report for September 2014 be received, noted and approved. Albeit attendance level figures are down, the committee members noted that attendance levels at the HITB were good in comparison to current national trends. **It was AGREED that** the Performance Indicators for the youth café project be brought forward to a future meeting of the Youth Services Sub-Committee.
- ii) General statistics including income for September 2014 be received, noted and approved.
- iii) Geographical data for September 2014 be received, noted and approved.

76 **FRIGHT NIGHT 31st OCTOBER 2014**

The Town Clerk informed the committee of the forthcoming Fright Night Event taking place in the Plaza Suite at the Stag Community Arts Centre on 31st October 2014 for 11 to 16 year olds, with 8 cinema tickets as prizes for those best dressed.

It was AGREED that the Stag Community Arts Centre, Community Safety Team, Sevenoaks District Council together with the Town Council request press coverage in the Sevenoaks Chronicle advertising a safe place for young people to go, advertising other activities happening for Halloween with the emphasis on the perspective of Community Safety. Ms Maxine Quinton will arrange for extra CCTV cover at events in and around the Town.

77 **REPORTS FROM CO-OPTED PARTNERS**

Verbal reports were received from:

- i) **SAYT** – Mrs Caroline Berry advised that SAYT will hold its annual Quiz Night on 11th October 2014 in the Sevenoaks Community Centre and invited all to circulate the event to their network groups.
- ii) **West Kent Extra** – Mr Keith Rowell was absent. Linda updated the Committee that she will meet with Mrs Heather Brightwell regarding their joint Youth Alcohol partnership and submit an update to a future meeting of this committee.
- iii) **Community Safety Partnership** – apologies had been received from Ms Kelly Webb. Ms Maxine Quinton advised that:
 - Summer Holiday Fun Days 2014 are currently being evaluated and a report will follow
 - Fun Days will take place during October Half Term and agreed to include the Fright Night in its publicity
 - The Restore, Reform and Respect course held at the HITB Youth Cafe proved most successful. The Town Clerk requested that attendance data be shared in respect of funding level agreements.
- iv) **Kent County Council** - Mrs Theresa Seal, KCC Area Youth & Community Worker was not present. Mr Shane Mochrie-Cox (KCC) Community Youth Worker advised that there had been lots of changes and promised to circulate the latest triage service with flow-chart.

78 **PRESS RELEASE**

It was RESOLVED that a press release be issued regarding:

- i) New Youth Council
- ii) Fright Night
- iii) New Youth Cafe Manager

There being no further business, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 7:41pm

Signed: Chairman