

**SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE YOUTH SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE
HELD ON 15 OCTOBER 2014
IN THE SEVENOAKS TOWN COUNCIL OFFICES**

PRESENT

Cllr Mrs P C Walshe (Chairman)
Cllr S L Arnold
Cllr A Eyre
Cllr R J Parry
Youth Councillor Alexander Dunn (Chairman Youth Council)
Mr Shane Mochrie-Cox, Kent County Council - Community Youth Tutor
Ms Kelly Webb, Community Safety Team Leader, SDC
Mrs Caroline Berry - SAYT / Churches Together
Linda Larter MBE, Chief Executive/Town Clerk
Gail Grieves, Youth Cafe Manager
Michèle MacDonald, Committee Clerk

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr C L L Baker
Cllr A S Clayton
Cllr R Hogarth (Planning duties)
Cllr S Raikes (Planning duties)
Mrs Theresa Seal, KCC Area Youth & Community Worker
Mr Keith Rowel, West Kent Extra Housing Association

PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No members of the public were present

79 DISPENSATION

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

80 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

81 MINUTES

It was RESOLVED that

- i) Youth Services Sub Committee
the minutes of the Youth Services Sub Committee meeting held on 17 September 2014 be received and adopted, noting that Mrs Gail Grieves was also in attendance.
- ii) Youth Council
it be noted that the meeting of the Youth Council due to have been held on 17 September 2014 was declared Inquorate at 6:20pm.

82 HOUSE IN THE BASEMENT (HITB) YOUTH CAFÉ

It was RESOLVED that the

- i) HITB report for October 2014 be received, noted and that the Town Clerk's recommendation for Revision of the Kent County Council Commissioning targets/performance indicators be approved and submitted.
- ii) General statistics, including income for August and September 2014 be received and noted.
- iii) Geographical data for August and September 2014 be received and noted.

83 REPORTS FROM CO-OPTED PARTNERS

Verbal reports were received from:

- i) **SAYT** – Mrs Caroline Berry advised that SAYT held its annual Quiz Night on 11th October 2014 in the Sevenoaks Community Centre with 120 in attendance. SAYT continues to support the HOUSE in the Basement Youth Café weekly on Wednesday nights and is taking a stall on the Fireworks Night.
- ii) **West Kent Extra** – Mr Keith Rowell gave apologies. Linda updated the Committee that she will meet with Mrs Heather Brightwell regarding their joint Youth Alcohol partnership on 21st October 2014. An update will then be submitted to a future meeting of the committee.
- iii) **Community Safety Partnership** – Ms Kelly Webb confirmed that the Fright Night Poster had been circulated to all schools in the district and that a contact list had been forwarded to the Town Council. Ms Kelly Webb advised that the Youth Commissioner Visit date had been prescriptive and that the aim was to include all youth groups within the Sevenoaks District Area and apologised for being unaware that the HITB Youth Café is closed on Mondays but stated that she had already extended an open invitation to the Youth Commissioner for a return visit in the future.
- iv) **Kent County Council** - Mrs Theresa Seal, KCC Area Youth & Community Worker was not present. In her stead, Mr Shane Mochrie-Cox (KCC) Community Youth Worker advised that KCC and Sevenoaks Town Council have teamed up with the forthcoming KCC and Sevenoaks Youth Council Elections.

The Knole Academy is entirely on board with each tutor group running a lesson and holding a school vote. Some Young People have been identified to register to progress their skill of public speaking and politics. Young People are asking questions and interested in becoming involved; all positive news so far.

A group of Young People from Greatness, extend their thanks and gratitude to Sevenoaks Town Council for the repairs carried out to the Skate Park. Mr Shane Mochrie-Cox stated that cause and effect in this instance begins to break down barriers and that he hopes to bring this group to a future meeting of Sevenoaks Youth Council to continue this momentum.

The Town Clerk was grateful to KCC for their extensive support with the forthcoming Sevenoaks Youth Council Elections, for which Young People should register by 24th October 2014, click on link below and go to Sevenoaks Youth Council - Elections <http://sevenoakstown.gov.uk/responsibilities>

84 PRESS RELEASE

It was **NOTED** that press releases had recently been 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 7:45pm

Signed: Chairman