

**MINUTES OF THE SEVENOAKS YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON 21 MAY 2014 IN THE TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Youth Councillors Present: Alexander Dunn (Chairman), Oliver Harper (Vice Chairman), Harriet Linley (Treasurer) *[arrived 6:28]*, and Ollie Williams-Fowler

In Attendance:

Cllrs Canet, Eyre, London, Parry and Raikes
Linda Larter, Ben Mason and Michèle MacDonald

31 MINUTES

- (a) **RESOLVED that** the minutes of the meeting of the Youth Council meeting held on 26 February be received and noted
- (b) **NOTED that** the meeting due to have been held on 9 April 2014 was cancelled.

32 FINANCE REPORT

It was noted that the financial balance as at 1 April 2014 is £2,201.90.

33 EVENTS

Events to be held during school holidays were discussed and considered.

RESOLVED that

- (a) the Youth Café start up a 5-a-Side football team league event during the school holidays
- (b) the Youth Council consider organising a big event to raise awareness of the Youth Café with music, sport and football

34 FACEBOOK

RESOLVED that the Youth Council Facebook chat page be updated to reflect closing times of the Youth Café

35 YOUNG LEADER'S FESTIVAL

NOTED that no youth councillors present are able to attend the Young Leader's festival at the Hop Farm 4 to 8 August 2014.

36 KENT YOUTH COUNTY COUNCIL (KYCC)

Youth Councillors Alexander Dunn and Harriet Linley advised that they had both given apologies to the last meeting.

NOTED that there had been never been an occasion to use the anti-bullying skills acquired by either Youth Councillor at the Youth Café.

37 HOUSE IN THE BASEMENT

RESOLVED that

- (a) the February, March and April 2014 reports together with appendices be received and noted.
- (b) the Behaviour Rule wording be amended to read "the Youth Café Staff's decision is final"

NOTED that

- (c) the volunteer helping the Youth Café Manager with the Mechanic Workshop is going through a period of illness and that the workshop will be suspended pending his return
- (d) Go Coaches have offered Young People attending the youth Café to view under the busses and offered to provide them with transport

38 DATE OF NEXT MEETINGS

Youth Council Meetings will be held on the following Wednesdays at 6pm:

- (a) 18.06.2014 in the Town Council Chamber
- (b) 23.07.2014 in the Bar Room at the Community Centre

The meeting finished at 6:35



HOUSE IN THE Basement

*If you choose to attend this youth café you will be expected to
keep to the ground rules both inside and outside
- designed by the Youth Council.*

1. **RESPECT** each other, volunteers and staff
2. **RESPECT** other people's belongings, HitB equipment and the building
3. **NO** illegal substances, cigarettes (nor preparing) nor alcohol
4. **DO NOT** hurt people's feelings intentionally
5. **NO** Canoodling in public

**WE WANT THIS TO BE A SAFE, POSITIVE AND FUN
ENVIRONMENT FOR ALL YOUNG PEOPLE.
PLEASE ABIDE BY THESE RULES.**

If people break the rules we operate a warning system. After two official warnings if a person chooses to carry on, the person will be excluded from the Youth Café.

In very serious situations this could happen automatically.

THE YOUTH CAFÉ STAFF'S DECISION IS FINAL