

MINUTES OF SEVENOAKS YOUTH COUNCIL HELD ON 12th MARCH 2015 AT 6PM SEVENOAKS COMMUNITY CENTRE

Present: Alexander Dunn, Kelly Williams, Ben Park, Freya Henderson, James Craggs, Thomas Smith, Tanjinna Miah [arrived 6:20pm], Oliver Forth, Taraminna Miah [arrived 6:20pm], Philip Magee [arrived 6:50pm],

In Attendance

Cllrs A Eyre and R J Parry
Linda Larter MBE Chief Executive/Town Clerk
Michèle MacDonald, Committee Clerk

Apologies

Youth Councillor Olivia Kings
Gail Grieves, Manager HITB Youth Cafe

Declaration of Interest

Cllr A Eyre declared a pecuniary interest in Minute No 28 regarding the hire of the Sevenoaks Community Centre's cinema.

Youth Cllr Alexander Dunn was elected Chairman by the committee. The Chairmen welcomed the new Youth Councillor Oliver Forth to the Sevenoaks Youth Council.

23 MINUTES OF LAST MEETING 28th JANUARY 2015

RESOLVED that: received and noted as a true record. It was noted that since the Youth Council had recently asked local schools to introduce a rota of parents to act as Volunteer Bus Conductors on school buses, some changes had been made:

- a. Knole Academy
 - o Youth Councillor Thomas Smith noted that since the half term break:
 - the bus drivers now go upstairs and send anyone standing downstairs and will not drive off until then
 - cameras have been installed on corners of the buses
 - o Youth Councillor Freya Henderson noticed that teachers now stand at bus stops to ensure people alight the right bus
- b. Bennett Memorial Diocesan School
 - o Youth Councillor Alexander Dunn noted this bus had been reduced to a single decker instead of a double decker bus.

24 FINANCE REPORT

RESOLVED that: the balance on account as at 25th February 2015 be £1,574.27

25 HOUSE IN THE BASEMENT [HITB]

RESOLVED that the:

- a. HITB Report for March 2015 be received and noted.
It was AGREED that Youth Councilors distribute the new menu [APPENDIX A] to friends and colleagues, post on notice boards at school if permissible.
- b. Geographical Data for January 2015 be received and noted.
It was NOTED that 36 new people had joined the Youth Café in January, 12 of whom live in Sevenoaks Town.
- c. General Statistics including income for January 2015 showing an upward trend be received and noted.

*Youth Councilors Tanjinna and Taraminna Miah arrived @ 18:20.
Youth Councillor Tanjinna Miah continued as chairman.*

26 STREET LIGHTS PETITION

- a. Youth Councillor Ben Park noted that evenings were now getting lighter so the issue has lessened. It was NOTED that some bulbs in local street lights were not working.

RESOLVED to include in the Minutes the KCC contact number for members of the public to contact KCC directly regarding faulty street lights with the Street Light column number by telephoning the KCC Highways team on 03000 41 81 81 or at their website <http://www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem>

- b. Update following publication of the Street light Survey by Youth Councillor Olivia Kings

RESOLVED to forward the information in the future.

27 GO KART

RESOLVED Youth Councilors Thomas Smith and Alexander Dunn form a working party to discuss arrangements and report back. Dates of meetings will be prior to the next full meeting of Youth Council. Dates to be confirmed.

28 OPEN AIR CINEMA

The Town Clerk circulated costs for Open Air Cinema screening [APPENDIX B]. A general discussion was held as this was considered too expensive (£1,500-£1,850).

RESOLVED:

- a. to hire a cinema on Saturday 4th July 2015 at a charge of £360 and the Plaza Suite afterwards for a "Film and Fiesta" event. Mr Andrew Eyre, as Manager of the Stag Community Arts Centre, confirmed that a Cinema and Plaza Suite are available to hire
- b. to show an "Alvin and the Chipmunks" film – the first one preferred if available
- c. to charge £5 a ticket for the "Film and Fiesta"
- d. to charge £2 a ticket for the Fiesta only.
- e. All youth councilors to attend the "Film and Fiesta" if not on annual leave
- f. All youth councilors to each sell 10 tickets for the "Film and Fiesta"
- g. Poster to be prepared to publicise

29 YOUTH SERVICES SUB COMMITTEE (YSSC)

RESOLVED: Youth Councillors Alexander Dunn, Ben James and Kelly Williams to attend future meetings of the YSSC as representatives of young people in Sevenoaks.

30 DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

NOTED: the dates for the next meetings are:

22nd April 2015 (to be held in the HITB Youth Café)

3rd June 2015

15th July 2015

9th September 2015

4th November 2015

20th January 2016

16th March 2016

4th May 2016

in the Town Council Chamber at 6pm.

The meeting closed at 6:55pm