

**MINUTES OF
SEVENOAKS YOUTH COUNCIL
MEETING
HELD ON 15th NOVEMBER 2016
IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER**

Present: James “the Don” Armitage, Malcom Briery, Phoebe Crichtlow, Estella Durnford [*arrived 6:15pm*], Elise Van Den Hoek, Daniel Izu, Ana Lawther [*arrived 6:15pm*], Katherine Magee, Katie Willis and Zak Young.

Apologies: Sam Chard, Oliver Firth-Humm and Charlotte Humm

In Attendance

Cllr A Eyre

Linda Larter MBE, Chief Executive/Town Clerk

Michèle MacDonald, Committee Clerk

Welcome

The Mayor, Cllr Andrew Eyre, gave apologies for the last meeting as he was away and looks forward to working with the new Youth Council team.

The Chairman, Youth Councillor Daniel Izu, commenced the meeting at 6:15pm.

8. Apologies for absence

RESOLVED: to accept apologies from:

- a. Youth Councillors Sam Chard, Oliver Firth-Humm and Charlotte Humm
- b. Councillor R J Parry and S G Raikes
- c. Mrs Gail Grieves, Manager HOUSE in the Basement Youth Café
- d. Mr Shane Mochrie-Cox

9. Minutes of Annual General Meeting 12th October 2016

RESOLVED: to receive and agree the minutes.

10. Finance Report

RESOLVED: to accept the balance remains at £990.29.

11. HOUSE in the Basement

RESOLVED: that the reports received for

- a) HOUSE in the Basement reports for October and November 2016
 - b) General statistics, including income for September 2016
 - c) Geographical data for September 2016
- be received and noted.

The Town Clerk requested all Youth Councillors visit the HOUSE in the Basement Youth Café and give feedback at the next Youth Council meeting please. It was agreed that the next Youth Council meeting on Wednesday 14th December 2016 be held in the Youth Café.

12. Constitution of Sevenoaks Youth Council

RESOLVED: that Youth Councillors read the constitution and advise the Committee Clerk of their acceptance, rejection or amendment prior to the next meeting [Wednesday 14th December 2016].

13. Events and Agenda setting for January to March 2017

RESOLVED:

- a) Friday 25th November 2016 – that Youth Councillors attend with a survey questionnaire to obtain feedback on the HOUSE in the Basement Youth Café ready to present at the next meeting. The aim would be to draw attention to the facility and the benefits. Youth Councillors would also hold an Open Mic Night on Friday 9th December 2016 to raise awareness of the

Youth Café and agreed to source performers, attend with their friends and to promote the event on social media. Would be performers to contact the Committee Clerk.

- b) Monday 12th December – Christmas Council - to note that the Mayor had invited all Youth Councillors to attend Christmas Council. An invitation also to be attached to the minutes.
- c) Monday 30th January 2017 – Houses of Parliament Tour – that Youth Councillors invited to attend a tour of the Houses of Parliament plus a private meeting with the Rt Hon Michael Fallon KCB MP would need to return Parliament permission slips signed by parents as well as schools [involves taking a day out of school during term time] to the Committee Clerk asap but latest by 6th January 2017.
- d) That actions put forward at Annual General Meeting would be considered at a future meeting.

14. Youth Services Sub Committee

RESOLVED: that Youth Councillors Ana Lawther, Katie Willis, James “The Don “Armitage, Elise Van Den Hoek, Phoebe Crichtlow and Daniel Izu volunteered to sit at Youth Services Sub Committee as Youth Council Representatives.

15. Youth Advisory Group

RESOLVED: that the Committee Clerk notify all Youth Councillors of dates as and when they arose, in order that volunteers confirm whether or not they could attend.

16. DATES OF NEXT MEETINGS

NOTED: dates for meetings in 2016 are usually on Wednesdays unless otherwise notified] and last for one hour:

Day	Date		Time & Location
December 2016			
Wednesday	14.12.2016	Youth Council	6-7pm HOUSE in the Basement
Wednesday	14.12.2016	Youth Services Sub Committee	7-8pm tbc

The meeting closed at 5:50pm.