

East Hampshire Youth Council
6.30-8.45pm, 21st January, EHDC, Petersfield

Minutes

Present: Lara, Linda Horne, Kevin, Hannah, Joanna, Heidi, Kirstie, Lisa, Hannah H, Harry, Becca, Jake, Harriet, Elin and Matt

Items	Action
Icebreaker – Group Juggle	
1. Welcome, Introductions and aims of the meeting – Jake welcomed everyone, and introduced Kevin to the group. He also read the aims of the meeting	
2. Apologies – Jake read apologies from: Charleigh and Danielle	
3. Agree minutes of last meeting – 1 Grammatical change under point 6, feedback of involvement of young people	
4. Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting – CAT mark training on Saturday 6 th May. CAT mark assessment booked for the 18 th March, but Lara is still looking at an assessment for EHDC. Damian Hinds is still in touch with Lara about mock elections and a panel debate in schools. Jake has been invited to a reception at Tithe Barn on Friday 5 th February, in celebration of Michael Mates' time as MP for East Hampshire.	
<p>5. Events/meetings attended since last EHYC –</p> <p>Petersfield Presentation – postponed due to snow</p> <p>Youth Debt Project Meeting – talked about advertising in assembly. Hannah is going to do a drama role-play with friends to make it more interesting.</p> <p>Briefing re Meaningful Engagement of Young People – postponed due to snow</p> <p>Liphook Presentation – the councillors seemed pleased to have YP at the meeting. They questioned whether YP could meet with local MPs and councillors through panel debates, to increase local interest in politics.</p> <p>CAT mark meeting – Matt and Elin met with Dave Ashton for improvements on the Kings Arms after the CAT mark assessment, which they refused. Funding will be stopped if they refuse again.</p>	
6. Banner Project for English Landscaping Vehicles – Linda and Kevin wanted to collect ideas. Linda recapped the idea given to the YC at their meeting in November. The YC split into smaller groups and fed back many ideas for the banner. Since there were so many good ideas, it was decided that each group could pick one design each. These were	

<p>Litter, cut it out; flytipping – tip waiters not flies; put it in the bin or you’ll find yourself in a sticky situation (with a man covered in gum) and one small step for you, one giant leap for mankind. The group also chose “every 10 minutes a bin dies... please feed a bin today”, as it was another good idea.</p>	
<p>7. EHYC elections – The YC general election will be at the end of march and the candidacy briefing is at the beginning of march. Therefore the YC needs to start advertising in February. It was pointed out that a lot of the YP will be leaving school in July and therefore the YC may ‘die out’. The YC needs to be advertised to younger students (year eights and nines). Becca suggested that YP talk in assemblies as this is the most effective way. Hannah H suggested that the YC uses newspapers to catch the attention of parents who can persuade their children. Matt said that getting any adults or teachers interested would help. Hannah mentioned sports clubs and Becca, Jake and Harriet expanded on youth clubs and how to get in touch with them. Harriet also mentioned face book, but Lisa said that it could cause arguments. Lisa also suggested school websites or emails. Heidi mentioned SOL, which caused a discussion about the distribution of SOL, now that it is becoming more popular and it was suggested that schools were given enough magazines for one per pupil, or at least given to students and not just left for display. This would help to advertise the YC more widely.</p> <p>The group then discussed how the voting should be carried out. A Ballot vote was voted in by the YC, although Elin said that this would make it hard for college students to vote/be elected, and Harriet said that it would also make it hard for YP who are home-schooled. Matt suggested that the ballot box was combined with the promotion of the YC. 6 votes for Ballot Box, 4 for Text Vote, 3 Abstains.</p>	
<p>8. Break</p>	
<p>9. Publicity Working Parties: Money Pot – 6 bids so far. Passed 2, questioning 1. Youth Debt – (publicity) Website – (publicity)</p>	<p>Lara to sort out other bid</p>
<p>10. Dates for your diaries and volunteers – group referred to list and confirmed</p>	<p>Lara to send reminders</p>
<p>11. AOB (schools, youth forums and councils) -</p>	
<p>12. Next meeting – Thursday 11th February, Bordon Youth Centre</p>	<p>Lara to send reminder</p>