



**NOTES OF A MEETING HELD  
ON 20 January 2003**

**Venue: Members Lounge  
Stroud District Council**

**Time: 4.30pm**

**YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP**

A= Apologies/Absent; P= Present

Nico Mustafic (Chair), Rednock	A	Marcus Angell, Marling	A
Katy Dainton (Vice Chair), Stroud High	P	Juzer Esmailji, Marling	A
Hollie Aldridge, Berkeley Vale	P	Iman Fadaei, Marling	P
Louisa Hayward, Berkeley Vale	A	Dan Snell, Marling	A
Jemma Grieve, Katharine, Lady Berkeley's	A	Catherine Jones, Stroud High	P
Sophie Mitchell, Katharine, Lady Berkeley's	P	Dan Flack, Thomas Keble	A
Lisa Hogg, Maidenhill	P	Katy Costigan, Thomas Keble	P
Becci Saynor, Maidenhill	P	Euan Howard, Rednock	A
Sam Williams, Maidenhill	P	Alex Hutchinson, Stroud College	P

**OTHERS PRESENT**

Councillor Barbara Tait  
Councillor Graham Littleton

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David Marshall  
Phil Sullivan  
Paul Helbrow  
Jane Bullows  
Jodie Townsend  
Steve Miles  
Andy Brookes  
Ann Radley

Cabinet Member for Planning  
Cabinet Member for Culture, Regeneration and Leisure  
Cabinet Member for Rural Affairs  
Public Relations Officer  
Community Safety Officer  
Community Safety Office  
Regeneration through Sports Manager  
Democratic Services Officer  
Youth & Community Service  
Minchinhampton Youth Club

**APOLOGIES**

Debbie Lang, Youth & Community Service

**SDYC02.06 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

The minutes of the meeting held on 16 December 2002 were accepted as a correct record.

## **SDYC02.07   MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

The Public Relations Officer updated the Youth Council regarding the request from the Stroud Youth Talent Show for sponsorship money. He informed them that the Stroud Youth Talent Show would like Stroud District Youth Council to be the main sponsors for providing £500 and would like to attend a meeting in order to meet the Youth Council and finalise details. The Public Relations Officer stated that he would arrange for the Stroud Youth Talent Show to attend a meeting of the Youth Council.

## **SDYC02.08   FUNDING REQUESTS**

Sue Read from the Junction Youth Club presented a request for £200 from the Youth Initiative Fund to support the 'party in the park' at Nailsworth Festival. The money would be to cover the cost of the necessary sound and lighting system.

After discussion the Youth Council decided that it was important that the money from the Youth Initiative Fund should be spread around the district and so they agreed that £200 would be given to Junction Youth Club request.

**RESOLVED:                    £200 to be provided to the Junction Youth Club to support the 'Party in the Park' event at the Nailsworth Festival.**

Andy Brookes from Minchinhampton Youth Club presented a request for funds to help aid efforts to have skateboarding facilities built in Minchinhampton. He requested £400 towards the production of a video to be made by the Skateboarders of Minchinhampton in order to illustrate their opinions and their hopes on this issue to show to Minchinhampton Parish Council.

After discussion the Youth Council decided that it was important for the skateboarders in Minchinhampton to be given the opportunity to put their point across but not all Members were convinced that a video was entirely necessary. It was agreed that the Public Relation Officer should reply to the request with an offer of £250 towards the production of a video.

The Regeneration through Sports Manager presented a proposal to set up a Talented Performer Grant Aid Programme to help support talented individuals in Stroud. She stated that she would like the Youth Council to take an active part in the assessment process for applicants who would be aged between 5 and 21 years of age.

After discussion the Youth Council stated that they greatly supported this idea as it was important to develop talent in the district. It was decided that the Portfolio Holders for Culture, Development and Regeneration would liaise with the Regeneration through Sports Manager and that further information on the scheme would be presented to the Youth Cabinet in March 2003.

## **SDYC02.09   CONNEXIONS**

As a representative from Connexions was not present it was decided that Connexions should re-invited to attend the Youth Council and that this item should come back at a later meeting.

### **SDYC02.10 FEEDBACK FROM THE AWAY WEEKEND**

Steve Miles of the Youth and Community Service handed out evaluation reports of the away weekend at Centre Parks at Longleat. He informed those present that the video of the away weekend was not yet ready and would therefore hopefully be shown at the next meeting of the Youth Council. He stated that not many of these had been done by a Youth Council throughout the entire United Kingdom.

### **SDYC02.11 WEBSITE REVIEW/UPDATE**

The Public Relations Officer informed the Youth Council that the web address [www.youth.stroud.gov.uk](http://www.youth.stroud.gov.uk) had been registered for use. The next step was to detail the content for the website. It was agreed that more work needed to be done on this and that Juzer Esmailji should update the Youth Council on progress to date at the next meeting of the Youth Council.

### **SDYC02.12 ANY OTHER MATTERS**

The Public Relations Officer reminded the Youth Council that Cabinet members were welcome to attend the Stroud District Council Cabinet meeting on Thursday 23 January and become involved in the debate.

The Community Safety Officer drew the Youth Council's attention to a Beacon Open Day that was taking place in Barnwood, Gloucester on the 25 February 2003, at which issues surrounding young people would be discussed. If anyone wanted to attend they should contact him as soon as possible.

The Community Safety Officer also informed the Youth Council of an approach from Thomas Keble School for the Council to provide 'proof of age' cards for free in order to allow students to prove their ages in regards to bus travel. He informed the Youth Council that these cards could be obtained from the Council for a price of £2. The Community Safety Partnership Officer would be visiting schools to raise awareness of this project.

The Community Safety Officer also informed the Youth Council of a demonstration of mobile CCTV equipment that would be taking place on Monday 27 January at 3pm at Nailsworth Police Station, anyone who would be interested in attending should contact the Community Safety Partnership Office.

### **SDYC02.13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The Public Relations Officer reminded the Youth Council that the Conservative Group had donated their meeting room to the Youth Council to use for any meetings that they required.

It was agreed that an informal meeting of the Youth Council would take place on 17 February and that the next formal meeting of the Youth Council would take place on 10 March 2003.