



# NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON

14.05.2007

**Venue: Ebley Mill, SDC Offices**

**Time: 4:30pm – 6:30pm**

## YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

### **VOTING MEMBERS**

Rose Horton, Stroud High**	P
Emily Thomas, Stroud High	A
Danielle Russell, Minchinhampton YC	A
Rhian Davies, KLB	A
James Austin, KLB	A
Erfan Fadaei, Marling	A
Thomas Lydon, Marling	P
Meg Brown, Wotton YC	Ap
Ashley Skuse, Wotton YC	Ap
Alex Jones, Cam & Dursley YF	P
Emma Mears, Cam & Dursley YF	Ap
Freddie Whittaker, Archway	Ap
Natalie Smith, Archway*	Ap
Anna Pearson, Stroud College	P
Tinake Van Ginkel, Stroud College	Ap
Gordon Pritchard, Nailsworth YC	A
Mike Green, Nailsworth YC	A

### **EX-OFFICIO**

Tadhg Martin-Haydock, Thomas Keble	A
Stuart Gardener, Maidenhill	A
Dan Mcintosh, Maidenhill	A
Elsie Kenny, Rednock	A
Dean Morgan, Archway	A
Georgina Greenwood, Stroud High	A
Joe Tarran, Painswick Youth Club	A
Katherine Birkin, Thomas Keble	A
Amy Jade, Minchinhampton YC	A
Ben Smith, Stroud College	A
Ruth Royall, Stroud Youth Centre	A
Ceri Wills, Rednock	A
Josephine Marshall, Stroud High	A
Josh Conway, Painswick Youth Club	A
Ben Challis, Marling	A
Amy Lang, Dursley Youth Centre	A
Mandy Noble, Cashes Green YP	A
Max Webb, Stonehouse YC	A
Kelly Hooper, Cashes Green YP	A
Sam Durn, Stroud College	A
Oliver Timms, Marling	A

### **DEPUTY MEMBERS**

Kieran Nurdling, Archway	A
Amy Barker, Wotton YC	A
Beth Townsend, Archway	P

### **CO-OPTIONS**

**\*\* = Chair   \* = Vice-Chair   P = present   A = absent   Ap = apology**

## OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Miles, Senior Hear By Right Youth Officer, SDC  
 Sinead Chambers, Youth Council Support Officer, SDC  
 Ashley Nicholson, Neighbourhood Warden, SDC  
 Andy Foster, Neighbourhood Warden, SDC

## **WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Chair welcomed the Youth Council to Ebley Mill, Stroud District Council Offices.

Apologies for absence received from Emma Mears, Meg Brown, Erfan Fadaei, Ashley Skuse, Tineke Van Ginkel, Freddie Whittaker and Cllr Libby Bird

The minutes of the last meeting were agreed to be a true and accurate record.

## **MATTERS ARISING**

- **Security Passes** – Steve spoke to the person in charge of the security passes and it was confirmed that the Youth Council are allowed to have passes. Members' photos will be taken at the next meeting.
- **Contact Details** – SDYC are not allowed under Data Protection Policy to issue personal details of other members but there is nothing stopping members asking each other for their numbers etc.
- **Clothing design update** – Steve had a meeting with Harlequin designs to see what they had designed. He showed the members the samples that they had sent in and they all agreed on the same navy blue hoody. The hoodies are approximately £28 per hoodies including all embroidery.
- **Newsletter** – Natalie and Rose agreed that they would send a newsletter out every 4 months to all Youth Clubs, Colleges and Schools. It would be an A4 sized newsletter giving short paragraphs on each of the committees.

## **YOUTH CABINET REPORT**

No meeting to report on.

## **EVENTS COMMITTEE**

- **Live Band Gig** - The live band gig has been booked at the Subscription Rooms for 1 June. Freddie has confirmed the following bands will be playing Mafiosi, Cuckoo Row and Forgotten Sleep the fourth band will be confirmed in due course due to a cancellation. Natalie has designed the posters and we are looking to get them out ASAP, this was now quite urgent. Tickets will be sold from the Box Office at the Subscription Rooms only. Alex will speak to Danny about DJing at the event and Freddie was due to ask Brendan from The Door to do the stage management as they both have had experience – a reply was still being waited on from both. The group are also looking into having wristbands for people that will be allowed backstage as they are trying to keep numbers down to keep the area free.

## **PROMOTIONS AND MARKETING**

There hasn't been a meeting since the last full youth council.

## **STROUD NIGHT BUS**

The Stroud Night Bus Cam and Dursley Service is still working extremely well. At present there is a problem with funding to carry the service on past end of June. The group made an application to the Youth Initiative Fund to help with funding but it was too late. Other funding is being sought from the LSP and Parish Councils. It is being used more than any other night bus service. The SNB steering group are keen that SDYC promote all night bus services for the Live Band Gig on 1<sup>st</sup> June. It was also highlighted that all night bus services are flexible for the youth council and any other youth group to use if pre arranged.

The website for further information is as follows;

[www.stroudnightbus.com](http://www.stroudnightbus.com)

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDEN PRESENTATION**

Due to the low attendance of youth councillors at the last meeting, it was agreed to invite members of the Warden team to this meeting to deliver another presentation.

Ashley Nicholson and Andy Foster gave a presentation on the role of Neighbourhood Wardens in the district. They outlined the role of the wardens detailing the difference between their role in the community and that of the police. They explained the average day for a warden, highlighting the wide variety of duties and people that they seek to engage with in any given day. It was noted that some youth councillors are accustomed to the warden's involvement through transport assistance. Ashley also mentioned that they were looking at piloting a Junior Warden project in the future.

## **HEAR BY RIGHT – WORKING PARTY SETUP**

Steve is looking to form initially a small group to look in greater detail what Hear By Right is about and how it can work. Steve explained that HBR is the national standards for active involvement of children and young people. The aim from the outset is to adopt and implement these standards as part of the work of SDYC and across all services of the District Council. Rose had already attended a HBR event with Steve and Phil Sullivan a few months ago and was keen to bring others 'on-board' – Natalie had also previously expressed interest. It was agreed to defer to the next meeting due to low numbers again this time.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

**FLY POSTING** - Alex mentioned that there was fly posting done in Dursley. Somebody had gone around the town putting up posters of the Night Bus Service but they were putting them up in inappropriate places and not sticking to the Factor 4 rules. Since the meeting took place Sinead has reported this to the Neighbourhood Warden covering Dursley and has asked him to keep an eye out.

**HATE CRIME** – The group discussed further what they would like to happen regarding the Hate Crime issues following a presentation from Phil Sullivan as Chair of the County Hate Crime Action Group. They all agreed that it would be a good idea to see if they could get a DVD made that could be sent out to the schools, colleges and Youth Clubs. Steve would look into how this could be done.

**THANK YOU** – Steve informed the group that Cllr Miranda Clifton unfortunately was not re-elected as a District Councillor for her ward, so she will not be attending the Youth Council meetings in future. The Chair expressed her thanks on behalf of Stroud District Youth Council to Cllr Miranda Clifton for her continued support and welcomed contribution to the group.

**The date of the next meeting will be the 4 June 2007 at 4:30pm in the Council Chamber, Ebley Mill.**