



# NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON

16.07.2007

**Venue: Ebley Mill, Stroud District Council**

**Time: 4:30pm – 6:30pm**

## YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

### **VOTING MEMBERS**

Rose Horton, Stroud High\*\*  
 Emily Thomas, Stroud High  
 Danielle Russell, Minchinhampton YC  
 Rhian Davies, KLB  
 James Austin, KLB  
 Erfan Fadaei, Marling  
 Thomas Lydon, Marling  
 Meg Brown, Wotton YC  
 Ashley Skuse, Wotton YC  
 Alex Jones, Cam & Dursley YF  
 Emma Mears, Cam & Dursley YF  
 Freddie Whittaker, Archway  
 Natalie Smith, Archway\*  
 Anna Pearson, Stroud College  
 Gordon Pritchard, Nailsworth YC  
 Mike Green, Nailsworth YC  
 Owen Wichard, Stroud College  
 Ellie Cairns, Thomas Keble  
 Liam Baker, Thomas Keble

### **DEPUTY MEMBERS**

Rebecca Redding, Thomas Keble P  
 Cameron Patterson, Thomas Keble P  
 Kieran Nurdin, Archway Ap  
 Amy Barker, Wotton YC A  
 Beth Townsend, Archway Ap  
 Tinake Van Ginkel, Stroud College A

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

### **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

### **CO-OPTIONS**

## OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Miles, Senior Hear By Right Youth Officer, SDC  
 Sinead Chambers, Youth Council Support Officer, SDC  
 Cllr. John Jeffreys, SDC Cabinet Member for Health & Wellbeing

## **WELCOME & APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

The Chair welcomed the Youth Council to Stroud District Council.

Apologies for absence received from Kieran Nurdling, Beth Townsend and Erfan Fadaei

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

## **MATTERS ARISING**

- **Members clothing** – All the sizes have been collated - Steve will order straight away and they should be ready in about 2 weeks.
- **Confirm Summer Programme** – The following dates were agreed after much debate;

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> July – Hear by Right Group Meeting

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July – Act by Right Training

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> August – Stroud Night Bus Group Meeting

Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August – Act by Right Training

Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> September – Stroud Night Bus Group Meeting

Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September – SDYC Annual Review (inc. social / picnic)

Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> October – Stroud Night Bus Group Meeting

- **Website Workshop** - Website workshop – it was agreed Steve would seek dates with the SDC IT department, members favoured a weekday session after 17<sup>th</sup> September.

The chair welcomed Cllr John Jeffreys to the meeting, introducing himself as the new Cabinet Member for Health & Wellbeing with the remit for children & young people within the district council.

## **YOUTH CABINET REPORT**

The Youth Cabinet assessed the Youth Initiative Fund Applications. They were as follows:

- Stroud Night Bus – asked for £1000 to support the night bus service on Friday & Saturdays to the villages around Stroud, publicity materials and administrative support – it was agreed to support this fully with £1000 and a request for particular SDYC advertising on all promotional material and the bus itself.
- Sea Cadets – asked for £1850 to re-equip the kayaks due to new health and safety rules, they also need funds for a new trailer – it was agreed to support

this with £1000 and a request for SDYC logo's to be put on to kayaks & trailer.

- Berkeley Vale Youth Project – asked for £600 to do a summer activity scheme in Berkeley and surrounding areas for young people between 11 & 19 years old – it was agreed to fully support this as outlined in their application.
- Wotton under Edge Summer Breakout 2007 – asked for £1000 towards a summer holiday activity programme for young people in Wotton under Edge and surrounding areas between 11 & 19 years old – it was agreed to support this fully with £1000 as outlined in the application.

The Talented Sports Performers Grant applications were also assessed, details were as follows;

- Joe Dagleish – England Athletics - £250 – very promising athlete recently finishing 4<sup>th</sup> in the National Schools and 11<sup>th</sup> in the English Schools Cross Country Champs. In 2007 he has been invited to train at the prestigious high altitude Olympic village training camp in Font Rimeu, France with other promising athletes. Jo regularly competes against athletes older than him and is a great hope for the future. At present his parents fund all his training, accommodation, equipment and transport fees.
- Brett Bassett – Great Britain Biathlete - £250 – Brett is an amazing talent and currently ranked 16<sup>th</sup> in the world as a Great Britain biathlete. Due to his phenomenal success, his parents are having to cover his costs for training and competing all over the world e.g.: Italy, France and Turkey 2007 alone (totalling £4000).
- Tom Russell – Great Britain athletics - £250 – Tom continues to excel in his athletics; last year he was selected to represent Great Britain and Northern Ireland in the under-23's Men's European Cross Country Champs in Italy, where he finished a very creditable 40<sup>th</sup> place. This is quite an achievement, as Tom is 3 years younger than most of his fellow athletes. Tom is now at university and has to fund all his athletics fees. He is definite Olympic prospect and deserves assistance for competition, travel and equipment fees in the future.
- Ashley Rymer – Great Britain athletes - £250 – Ashley is preparing for the European Cross Country trials in November 2007 and is aiming to gain a place in the GB team, for this, he is required to train at altitude in France and South Africa. Ashley is a very successful athlete at both cross country and track athletics, finishing 15<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at both in national champs in 2006 respectively. He is also the present Midlands U17 Champion in 1500 metres. As busy as Ashley is he helps out at his local school athletics club junior sessions and fully deserves SDC support for his travel, training, competition and equipment costs.

A discussion was had on whether Tom was eligible as a 20year old – this was researched and confirmed as 'yes' as this grant programme was open for 5 to 21 year olds.

The Youth Council confirmed its support for the requested amounts in full.

## **EVENTS GROUP REPORT**

The group had met twice since the last SDYC meeting.

After spending quite some time trying to get hold of the manager at Bar Riga the group decided that they would like to postpone the event until late October. Natalie had an idea about inviting a local high profile MC artist to the event i.e. Pendulum. Some local MC artists said that they would not want to enter a competition but they would like to perform on the night. Also still not heard from the contact at Severn Sound radio about free air time for the winner. It was suggested that the winner could also receive a ticket to a high profile club in mainland Britain i.e. Ministry of Sound/Global Gathering. Anna and Owen had looked into some venue options and costs. Freddie suggested getting into contact with a man Called Andy Butler who has his own studio and may be willing to donate some free time in the studio.

Steve informed the meeting that he had spoken earlier that day to the manager of Bar Riga following a message on his voice mail – Steve had explained the problems members had experienced had hoped communication could improve for the future. Bar Riga said they would welcome an event in late October.

## **STROUD NIGHT BUS REPORT**

Stroud Night Bus are running a competition to design a logo & a slogan for the Night Bus service offering a £15 prize and their logo/slogan printed and used as advertisement. Also ideas for website development were welcome as part of this competition – details would be available soon from a poster.

It was also reported that the service had recently agreed to a new contract combining the successful Cam & Dursley service route with the other established service routes – it was noted that this was an excellent example of young people (SDYC) involvement in creating better services for all, Alex and Emma were thanked for their hard work.

## **HEAR BY RIGHT WORKING PARTY**

The working party had received an initial presentation on Hear by Right outlining the concept as the national standards for actively involving children & young people. It will be carrying out work using the mapping and planning tool at the next meeting on 17<sup>th</sup> July.

## **ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Steve handed out flyers for the Berkeley Vale Youth Project Fun Day and encouraged members to attend if they fancied a good day out!

## **DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING**

Members indicated that the majority would not be able to attend the next meet scheduled for 6<sup>th</sup> August so it was agreed that the next full Youth Council meeting would be on **Monday 17<sup>th</sup> September** and would be the Annual Review session combined with a social night – Venue to be confirmed.