



NOTES OF A MEETING HELD ON

21.10.2007

Venue: Speech House Hotel, Nr Coleford, Forest of Dean

YOUTH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP:

VOTING MEMBERS

Rose Horton, Stroud High**
 Natalie Smith, Archway*
 Freddie Whittaker, Archway
 Thomas Lydon, Marling
 Meg Brown, Wotton YC
 Alex Jones, Cam & Dursley YF
 Emma Mears, Cam & Dursley YF
 Ellie Cairns, Thomas Keble
 Liam Baker, Thomas Keble
 El Linsell, Stroud High
 Matt Stump, Berkeley Vale Youth Project
 Luke Smith, Berkeley Vale Youth Project
 Harriet Dudbridge, Katharine Lady Berkeley's
 Hilary Dixon, Katharine Lady Berkeley's

DEPUTY MEMBERS

Rebecca Redding, Thomas Keble
 Cameron Patterson, Thomas Keble
 Kieran Nurning, Archway
 Beth Townsend, Archway
 Rosemary Dickinson, Stroud High
 Lauren Leyland, Wotton YC
 Josh Ellwood, Wotton YC
 Sophie Coleman, Berkeley Vale Youth Project
 Jessica Howell, Cam & Dursley YF
 Rebekah Batting, Cam & Dursley YF
 Sian Ainsworth, Katharine Lady Berkeley's
 Henry Guy, Katharine Lady Berkeley's

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

EX-OFFICIO

P	Anna Pearson, Stroud College	A
P	Gordon Pritchard, Nailsworth YC	A
P	Mike Green, Nailsworth YC	A
Ap	Owen Wichard, Stroud College	A
Ap	Emily Thomas, Stroud High	A
P	Danielle Russell, Minchinhampton YC	A
P	Rhian Davies, KLB	A
P	James Austin, KLB	A
P	Erfan Fadaei, Marling	A
P	Amy Barker, Wotton YC	A
P	Tinake Van Ginkel, Stroud College	A
P	Ashley Skuse, Wotton YC	A

CO-OPTIONS

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Miles, Senior Hear By Right Youth Officer, SDC
 Danny James
 Jo Govier

Welcome & Apologies

Those in attendance were welcomed to the annual general meeting and apologies were received from Cllr Chas Fellows, Cllr John Jefferies and Phil Sullivan, Head of SDC Community Safety Service and Sinead Chambers, Business Support Assistant, Community Safety Service.

Minutes of the last meeting

Minutes of the last meeting held on 17 September 2007 were agreed as a correct record.

Training Event Review – Comments

Members made the following comments; “A good fun weekend, a good event where we have got a lot closer as a group, we’ve worked well together making the event very successful. Everyone had fun with no disputes. The programme was well planned enabling us to be educated about youth council work, giving us lots of confidence. The food was also much better than last year”.

Election of Officers

The following District Youth Councillors were elected as officers;

Chair – Rose Horton:

Proposed by Freddie Whittaker & seconded by El Linsell.

Vice Chair – Natalie Smith;

Proposed by Freddie Whittaker & seconded by Emma Mears.

Election of Youth Cabinet

The following District Youth Councillors we elected as members of the Youth Cabinet;

Cabinet	Proposed by	Seconded by	Elected
Community Cohesion	Freddie	Hilary	Emma
Housing	Hilary	Ellie	Liam
Planning	El	Liam	Ellie
Health and Wellbeing	Emma	Ellie	Hilary
Environment and Rural Affairs	Natalie	Liam	El
Regeneration and Culture	Freddie	El	Alex
Finance and Corporate Services	Emma	Natalie	Luke

Report from members

Members highlight some key issues from their areas. Most notable was the night bus service for Cam and Dursley – a more detailed report will follow at the next meeting.

Timetable for the forthcoming year – activities / projects

The following was highlighted as key activities and projects for the new youth council to progress in the near future;

- Ⓢ Hear by Right Adoption by SDC – Mapping & Planning event on 16th Nov
- Ⓢ Stroud Night Bus Service
- Ⓢ Litter Recycling Pilot Project
- Ⓢ SDC Budget Consultation

Hear by Right

A team of four 2006/2007 district youth councillors, Alex Jones, Emma Mears, Natalie Smith and Rose Horton presented the national Hear by Right standards concept created and developed by the National Youth Agency for the active involvement of children and young people. They used an interactive activity to explain how the seven standards worked and how it benefits young people. It was highlighted that the mapping and planning process to this concept will be carried out on 16 November as a one day event involving youth councillors from SDYC, senior officers, heads of service and elected members of SDC.

Any other business

It was highlighted that deputy youth councillors would be able to be involved with sub groups as fully active members.

Date of the next Meeting

Monday 29 October 2007 at the Council Offices, Ebley Mill.