

**East Hampshire Youth Council**  
**6.30-8.45pm, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February, Bordon Youth Centre, Bordon**

**Minutes**

**Present: Lara, Bob, Linda Horne, Hannah H, Kirstie, Hannah, Harry, Charleigh, Heidi, Joanna, Elin, Jake, Dani, Becca and Lisa**

Items	Action
<b>Icebreaker – Lucky Six’s</b>	
<b>1. Welcome, Introductions and aims of the meeting</b> – Jake welcomed everyone and introduced he also read the aims of the meeting	
<b>2. Apologies</b> – Jake read apologies from: Caspian, Harriet and Ellie	
<b>3. Agree minutes of last meeting</b> – agreed	
<b>4. Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting</b> – none	
<p><b>5. Events/meetings attended since last EHYC –</b></p> <p><b>Presentations –</b>            Good feedback from Horndean community forum (CF) and they asked lots of questions and showed a real interest in EHYC. The Skate Bowl funding proposal was brought to the Petersfield CF and a debate took place about the proposal of the project. Lara said the presentations generally all went well.</p> <p><b>Climate change meeting –</b>            Matt went. Lara said that they were looking at how YP could get involved with climate change. Linda also attended and said they were just developing the scheme. Matt and Becca may be asked to write tips for YP to put in to practice.</p> <p><b>Youth debt project meetings –</b>            Meeting with head of Mill Chase about doing lessons to train younger students to do the drop-ins. They have been showed the DVD but will be shown the final version at the next meeting. The promo clip will possibly be shown in assemblies to make everyone aware of the drop-ins. But they would need to talk to teachers before they do anymore.</p> <p><b>Money Pot meeting –</b>            Becca, Jake and Hannah looked at a bid from Harry Hatfield. It was only 1 person applying for the money but he was enthusiastic about his sport and really wanted the money, so they passed the bid. Also, he was only 12/13 and didn’t even have enough money to pay for his mum to come to the event and support him.</p> <p><b>HCYC –</b>            Hannah and Becca said that there were nice sandwiches and the people are nice but the meeting was pointless. Nothing got done in sub-groups. No-one knew what they were supposed to be doing and 2 hours resulted in 1 decision – a boy would dress up as a banana and</p>	

<p>go round schools to promote fair trade. Lara told the YC that the meeting in June would be at EHDC and so the YC should attend, although would this be right with HCYC being so disorganised at the moment. Lara and Bob suggested we wrote a letter to HCYC to state our concerns. Lara added that our youth debt DVD would be shown at the next meeting, and so it would be great to have a few YP at the meeting in Eastleigh.</p> <p><b>Michael Mates MP reception –</b>      Jake said that it went really well and the food was very nice. He only knew one person – Julie Butler – and there were no other YP! There were a lot of conservatives with lots of wine. But David Cameron attended and talked to Jake. He made a speech, which was mostly about how the conservatives would win the general election. Michael Mates finished with a leaving speech.</p>	
<p><b>6. Banner Project for English Landscaping Vehicles –</b>      Everyone agreed that the drafts looked good but did need a few improvements. Linda asked the YC to decide which banners they liked the most, taking into account how they would look enlarged and zooming past etc. The YC said that the ‘sticky situation’ and ‘cut it out’ banners were the clearest. ‘Lost lbs’ had too much writing. The group voted using 3 stickers each. ‘Sticky decision’ and ‘one small step’ were the most popular. Linda will get Kevin to change ‘cut it out’ as this also was quite popular. ‘Lose lbs’ was the least popular with no votes. The posters may be rotatable so that more of them are shown, and two could be put on the vans at once. Hopefully the banners will be completed in time for the partner’s magazine ‘green’ issue.</p>	
<p><b>7. Candidacy Briefing Format (panels?) and elections –</b>      Lara wanted to know how the YC wanted to present the briefing to make sure people come back. She suggested something like the panel questioning at the CAT mark meeting. One of the ideas to get people to come to start with was doing assemblies in schools. Charleigh said this might be difficult at TPS because of the house system, but Becca said that they could split into 2 groups so that they can do 2 assemblies at once. Charleigh suggested a facebook group and adverts, but this would cost a lot, and might not access every year group. It would not be sufficient on its own and therefore the assemblies would be more effective. Another suggestion was through youth clubs. Hannah H and Heidi said that assemblies were best for years 7 and 8 as that’s when they are most likely to listen. The YC could also talk to clubs to get parents to spread the message too. Dani said that the YC could attend parent’s evening to get more parents interested, and Elin suggested that the YC ask schools to send letters/put info in newsletters/put info on website/put the briefing in tutor notifications etc. Becca said that the JLG at TPS (or school councils) could be told too.</p> <p>Lara then asked the group to look at how the briefing itself should be run. It was suggested that the session was split into two sections – an informal mingle meet and greet, with food, and a mock-meeting – coming up with ideas and signing the forms etc. The group also discussed having 2 meetings in north and south, as Bordon was a long</p>	<p>Lara to send out a press release about briefing in Petersfield, and help organise the assemblies</p>

<p>way for people in Horndean to travel, and this is our least represented area. Majority voted for 2 meetings, with the Bordon one on the Thursday and being the main briefing, and one in Petersfield being released as an extra date in the press.</p>	
<p><b>8. Break</b></p>	
<p><b>9. Working Parties:</b>  <b>AGM</b> – As a group, the YC discussed which band should play at the AGM. Suggestions were: Harry’s band, those auditioned for Show Off, The Definition, Mercury Rising, Flexibility, a group from Battle of the Bands, possibly a few bands/artists, karaoke. Elin said that we could have no band as they were disruptive and it was a formal event, or just some acoustic/quieter entertainment, so that people can still have a conversation. It was also mentioned that the band last year made it quite awkward, as no-one knew what to do.  The working party then discussed the band in more detail and voted for a variety of acts (dancers/solo artists) from show off, who could be given £10 gift vouchers. The group also talked about the agenda. It was decided that the chairperson of HCYC shouldn’t do a speech this year, as the YC seemed to be a bit disorganised at the moment, nor should the chair of EHDC do a speech as we do not know him yet. The group decided that Darren Matthews (BYC) could do a speech, as the YC had done a lot of work with BYC this year, and Hilary Ayre, as portfolio for youth in EH.  Elin asked if the current officers could introduce each election and Lara stated this was often the way other groups did it so would be a good idea. Lara asked if the break was long enough and whether the food was ok. The group said that the buffet was good last year, but could we have some salad and dips etc. Elin said that we needed to invite more YP this year, as the teacher from Horndean last year had commented on how few YP were there, when they were going to be voting. Lara suggested that 60 YP were invited – 4 from each school + money pot bidders. Some councillors and teachers would also be invited.  <b>Money Pot + Youth Debt</b> – the group looked at an application from Treloar College for £202, and passed it. They also updated the confidentiality agreement and designed a nomination form for new Money Advisors.</p>	
<p><b>10. Dates for your diaries and volunteers</b> – group referred to list and confirmed</p>	<p>Lara to send reminders</p>
<p><b>11. AOB</b> (schools, youth forums and councils) – Dani hasn’t been able to go to the Youth Debt meetings for a while and wondered whether she could still go, Lara confirmed that she could.</p>	
<p><b>12. Next meeting</b> – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March, EHDC</p>	<p>Lara to send reminder</p>