

East Hampshire Youth Council
18th June '09, 6.30-8.45pm, EHDC, Petersfield
Minutes

Present: Sarah Hobbs (community access officer), Linda Munday (community planning co-ordinator), Lisa, Caspian, Hannah, Heidi, Joanna, Elin, Danielle, Jake, Becca, Bob and Lara

Items	Action
Pizza	
Icebreaker – Toilet Roll!	
1. Welcome, Introductions and aims of the meeting – Jake welcomed everyone and everyone introduced themselves	
2. Apologies – Jake read apologies from Ellie, Kirstie, Harry, Matt, Harriet, India and Charleigh	
3. Agree minutes of last meeting – Everyone read and agreed	
4. Matters Arising from the minutes of the last meeting – none	
<p>5. Events/meetings attended since last EHYC:</p> <p>Bentley Parish Council presentation – no-one present to report back.</p> <p>AGM – Generally feedback was positive: ‘It was amazing’, ‘the food was good’, ‘speeches and the new team were good’, ‘Joe Boon and his band were good’.</p> <p>Butserquest demos – Some good bands. Bordon: there weren’t many young people who came and those who did come went outside for most of the evening. All of the 5 bands were good and it was hard to decide which ones were the best.</p> <p>Cabinet presentation – really good. There was talk about a regular slot for the Youth Council – every 3 months and when youth issues were being discussed. This idea was well received by the cabinet.</p> <p>CAT Mark assessment – Hannah and Heidi found their first assessment of Enham in Alton eye-opening. Enham helps young people with finding work and were awarded the CAT mark.</p> <p>Screaming Out Loud – Jake and Becca completed this month’s edition. The issue contains an article from Jake called the Chairmen’s Comedy Corner, as well as horoscopes.</p> <p>ADYC – no-one present</p> <p>HCYC – Jake didn’t enjoy the recent meeting and said that the new officers didn’t seem to work well as a team as the meeting was quite disorganised.</p> <p>Youth Action Forum – Heidi and Joanna went to a meeting on the 17th June in Bordon. The main issues raised were a free wireless system throughout Bordon (a pilot scheme to be tested on the 3rd July), a cinema club, a microbus to take young people to bigger towns and cities in the area and a youth drop-in centre (this is not going well at the moment).</p>	
6. 2nd Campaign for Screaming Out Loud and website vote – Jake introduced the 5 possible campaigns for a poll vote on the EHYC website. These were BYC’s current campaigns of equal national	Lara and Bob to investigate polls,

minimum wage, value volunteering, climate change and Higher education funding, and logos on EHDC vans of eco-friendly, which has been suggested to the YC.	questionnaires or text voting
<p>7. Transport – Jake read out ideas gathered in April's meetings for this campaign. Sarah discussed existing projects. The first being for proof of age cards. Questionnaires have already been sent out to YP in East Hampshire, although these were mostly from Horndean. There was a positive response and so the YP decided it would be a good potential project. It was also mentioned that this could be a discount card for cinemas and shops. Sarah mentioned that they were already reviewing the transport system, which focussed on villages and young people. Danielle suggested prices as another main focus, which would include lobbying bus companies. Caspian said that perhaps it would be better to stick to sorting out proof of age cards as they are more easily achieved, whereas the prices and routes would be a struggle to change with the companies. It was asked should the proof of age cards allow students in full time education, and even at university, to pay child fare, as it currently only applies to under 16s. Bob suggested that we should have two sub-groups: one for proof of age cards, and one for general transport issues. ID card sub-group includes: Caspian, Lisa, Heidi, Becca and Jake. The general transport group includes: Danielle, Elin, Joanna and Hannah.</p>	
8. Break	
<p>9. Adults vs Young People – Lara referred to the aims of the meeting and the youth centre meetings that were attended by Jake and Harry, who felt very excluded and uncomfortable. The YP carried out an activity of looking at stereotypes of adults and YP. A lot of people showed that they think adults see teenagers as negative, while the YP generally believed that they had many positive qualities. The second activity showed that some priorities for YP are the same or similar to adults, although adults are more focussed on pressing issues rather than their image and social targets. Everyone had different views of young people/adults and their lifestyles. Finally, the YP split into 3 groups and each were given different scenarios. The responses for these scenarios were fed back through role-play and ideas. Generally, it was implied that YP should take a calm and adult approach to bad attitudes and unfair comments, rather than to respond aggressively as this will justify their opinion.</p>	
<p>10. Priorities for UKYP rep – 4 ideas were given and one added by YP (higher education), it was voted that Improving the image of YP was the most important</p>	Lara to email this response to MYP.
<p>11. Elect Treasurer – moved to next month as not everyone attended meeting</p>	
<p>12. Dates for your diaries and volunteers – group referred to dates on the agenda</p>	Lara to email YP re dates
<p>13. AOB schools, youth forums and councils: Kings arms carried over to next months meeting</p>	
<p>14. Next meeting – Thursday 23rd July, 6.30-8.45pm, Bordon Youth Centre</p>	Lara to send reminder