



Minutes of the Youth Council Task Group

Monday 9th January at 4pm

Members present: <redacted>

Councillors present: Cllr John Stewart (JCS), Cllr Johanna Maitland (JM), Cllr Ken Edwards (KE), Cllr Judy Snowball (JS)

Officers present: Julie Mason (Town Clerk), Helen Platt (Admin Assistant)

Chair: Cllr John Stewart / <redacted>

1. To receive and approve apologies for absence

<redacted> due to football tournament, <redacted> due to prior engagement, Cllr Helen Ellwood due to prior engagement.

2. To resolve to appoint a Chair for the ensuing year until May 2023

Chair (JCS) welcomed all members and asked for nominees to be Chair. Nominees were: <redacted>. JCS asked each nominee to say a few words as to why they think they would make a good Chair, after which all members were asked to vote. The results were: <redacted> – 7 votes, <redacted> – 5 votes and <redacted> – 1 vote. <redacted> was congratulated and voted in as Chair until May 2023. JCS vacated the Chair's seat and <redacted> moved to Chair's seat.

3. To approve the minutes from 5th December 2022

JCS pointed out that the date of the next meeting was wrong and needing amending. Helen Platt to amend.

JS wanted her comments adding after HE's stating that 'she agrees that everyone's views are important and that everyone should be courteous to each other'. Helen Platt to amend.

4. Matters raised from the minutes

To note the forms not received by the members - <redacted> had returned her form and was thanked for doing so. <redacted> was asked to return his form asap.

5. To resolve to appoint a Vice Chair for the ensuing year until May 2023

Chair asked for nominees to be Vice Chair. Nominees were: <redacted> <redacted>, <redacted> and <redacted>. Chair asked each nominee to say a few words as to why they think they would make a good Vice Chair, after which all members were asked to vote. The results were: <redacted> <redacted> – 6 votes, <redacted> – 4 votes and <redacted> – 2 votes. <redacted> was congratulated and voted in as Vice Chair until May 2023.

6. To agree the Terms of Reference for the Youth Council with support from the Working Group

Chair asked JM to explain what Terms of Reference are. JM briefly explained that they contain information relevant to the age of group members, number of members allowed, responsibilities of group members, etc. Chair thanked JM. Chair asked for comments from the Working Group about the Terms of Reference.

It was suggested, and agreed by members, that the age should be 9-19 years old.

It was suggested, and agreed by members, that the maximum number of members should be 16.

It was suggested, and agreed by members, that the term of office should be 2 years.

It was suggested, and agreed by members, that under the heading 'Terms of Office', the word 'Mayor' is to be changed to 'Chair'.

It was suggested, and agreed by members, that under the heading 'election dates' the dates need amending.

It was noted that under the heading 'Dates and times of meetings' that the dates and times need amending.

Clerk to make these amendments.

7. To agree agenda items for next meeting

Chair asked for ideas for future projects to bring to the next meeting.

Environment (<redacted>)

Youth Facilities in Bollington (KE)

Big Green Week (JM)

Cycle paths (Chair)

Music provision (<redacted>)

Activity Centre (<redacted>)

Mini Golf (<redacted>)

Litter pick (Chair)

Canals (<redacted>)

School lunches (<redacted>)

Air pollution (Chair)

Bins (<redacted>)

Dog poo bins (<redacted>)

JM invited the members to attend the litter pick on Sunday 29th January at 10.00am. All the members said they would like to attend. Helen Platt to send email to all members.

In preparation for the next meeting, the Chair set homework for the members. They were asked to email in any project ideas, before the next meeting, that can be added to the agenda. Helen Platt to send reminder email to all members.

The Chair asked the Working Group if they had anything to add. KE wanted to clarify how often meetings were to be held. JCS confirmed it was monthly. The Chair agreed.

8. Date of next meeting – 6th February 2023 at 4.00pm

Meeting closed at 4.45pm