

Youth Council Minutes 2nd December 2003

Present: Nathan, Alex, Holly, Sophie, Kayleigh, Tiffany, Stephen, Andrew, Jenna, Danielle, Martyn.

Apologies: Brett, Jerome, Ali, Chloe.

Absent: Elliot, Charlotte, Shelley.

Members Update: Nathan Duke is covering the one year post in Area 2, everyone welcomed Nathan back. Sally Wenham unfortunately as passed on her resignation from the youth council due to personal reasons, she wishes everyone the best for the future.

Minutes: Passed, proposed by Alex and seconded by Tiffany.

Matters Arising: Andy updated members on progress with Germany/Brussels visit, looks like it should be middle of next year when this takes place. He agreed to give regular updates. Andrew Loades introduced himself as the European representative for Young People in Barnsley. The Youth Council discussed how they could work alongside Andrew. Tiffany suggested it would be a good idea for Andrew to be a Co-optee onto the Youth Council, the members discussed this and all agreed this was a good idea, this would ensure Andrew a place as a Youth Council Member without having to stand for election. Members held a vote all were in favour of this. This was a Standing Order to be voted on at a future meeting as there wasn't representation from every area in attendance. Clare explained a request for Tim Simpson to attend a meeting and hold a workshop around litter fines in Schools. All members agreed that he could attend the meeting on 21st January 2004.

Elections: Clare gave an update on the elections and encouraged Youth Councillors to promote this in their areas and agreed to distribute packs at the next meeting for those who want to stand again.

Ministerial Visit: Nick Raynesford the Minister for Local Government is visiting Barnsley to meet the Youth Council on 4th December 2003, Clare checked that all the young people who put their names forward for the presentation were clear on what was happening on the day and minibus pick up times etc.

Discussion: Danielle raised a number of issues about young people's Sexual Health services in Barnsley. The members discussed this and agreed that further discussion and investigation needed to take place on how the Youth Council could go about improving these services for young people.

Workshop: Paul Simpson from Sport and Recreation in the Council ran a consultation workshop with the Youth Council to get their views on what changes need to be made to make the passport to leisure more attractive and popular to young people.