

Youth Council Minutes

20th August 2007

Barnsley town hall

6-8pm

Members Present: Shari (chair), Jamie (Secretary), Tili, Osman, Amy S, Becci N, Matthew, Ash T, Becki M, Stacie, Zak, Emily H, Ash B, Bethany, Will, Lizzie, Emily M, Sam.

Apologies: Omar, Jacky, Sophie, Hayley W, Katie

Staff Present: Emma B, Andy F, Emma T

Welcome: Shari welcomed all members to the meeting and also welcomed guest speakers.

Minutes: Bethany proposed minutes as a true record, Becky M seconded, all members passed minutes as a true record,

Matters Arising: Shari read out a 'thank you' letter from Berneslai homes. Shari informed members that Clare is currently on annual leave, and if there are any issues/problems to contact Emma/Andy. Shari explained that she is going to write a letter to Patrick Cryne (Barnsley Premier Leisure) regarding healthy lifestyles. Shari explained about the Youth Capital Fund (YCF) bid to purchase a laptop for the Youth Council, all members supported this.

Guest speaker: Jill Cooper from Justeen's (Young peoples sexual health service) explained her job role and the aims/objectives of 'Justeens', JC also explained about the C-card scheme in Barnsley and the C-card steering group. She explained the terms of reference for the group and also said if any members would like to get involved in the group then to speak to Clare when she comes back from leave.

Tili, Osman, Emily H, Becki M, Stacie, Bethany, Matthew, Sam and Lizzie expressed interest.

Andy raised the issue that meetings take place in the day therefore it would be difficult for members to attend. JC agreed to feed this back to the steering group.

JC showed members the winning 'Justeens' poster and thanked members for judging the competition. She also handed out the new timetable for sexual health clinics across the borough.

Some members debated the possibility of 'Justeens' linking to companies such as 'Boots.'

Shari suggested the C-card website should link to the youth council website and vice versa.

Members discussed the advertising issue of sexual health services.

JC thanked members for their time.

Request for funding: Bob Pakbaz from BBEMI and Andy F gave a presentation about the BME sports day on 9<sup>th</sup> Sept. For the event to take place they need £3,000 to fund /support the day and all the events. 560 young people and families are on the BBEMI database, if the day was funded all the people on the database would receive an invite. Andy reminded members that if agreed the funding would be taken from the £10,000 of the youth council budget that is already allocated to providing activities for BME young people. Tili proposed to fund the day, all members agreed this as a way forward. Bob thanked the youth council and the voice and influence team for all their hard work over the past three years.

Guest speaker: Diane Jones from 'V' explained her role and explained that MV has just been rebranded as 'V'.

Diane explained about certification schemes currently in place to recognise the work of volunteers.

Emma asked if members would like to enrol on the scheme and took names. Ash T, Shari, Will, Becki M, Emily H, Osman, Tili, Sam and Emily M showed interest.

Diane thanked members for there time.

Any other business: Ash T informed members of a graffiti project taking place on Thursday 4-6pm in Locke Park.