

**Minutes of Lancing Parish Youth Council
held on Wednesday 31 January 2018 at 7:00pm
at the Find It Out Centre, Penhill Road**

Present

Chair: Atterbury.

Youth Councillors: Butler, Churchill, Everest, Roberts and Scott.

Councillors: Gloria Eveleigh and Geoff Patmore.

Officer: Vally Fish, Assistant Clerk to the Council.

Public: Rachel Ayuba, WSCC and Sarah Prust, ESY.

65. Apologies for absence

Apologies had been received and were accepted from YCllr Churchill and Cllr Emma Purnell.

66. Public Question Time

None.

67. Minutes of Previous Meeting held Wednesday 20 December

Resolved – that the Minutes of the previous meeting be approved.

68. Public Meeting with Inspector Allan Lowe

Members recalled the Public Meeting held at the Parish Hall on Thursday 11 January for which LPYC constructed a list of questions to be asked on behalf of the Youth Council. The Chair submitted a detailed report prior to the meeting and stated that he was thankful to Inspector Lowe for holding the public meeting. The Chair advised that he is keen to work in partnership with the Police Youth Ambassadors to help improve relations in Lancing. After discussion around projects ideas, it was agreed that a letter should be sent to Inspector Lowe offering support and requesting guidance regarding partnership working.

Resolved – that YCllrs Atterbury and Everest write to Inspector Lowe in respect of LPYCs working with Police Youth Ambassadors.

69. The Wave Project

This item had been requested by YCllr Churchill and due to her absence, it was agreed to defer this to the next meeting.

Resolved – that the Wave Project be discussed at the February meeting.

70. Funding for LPYC projects

A working group met at Lancing Library over the Christmas period to complete a funding application to progress LPYC projects in 2018. YCllr Scott reported that herself along with YCllrs Atterbury and Churchill have applied to WSCC's Small Grants Fund for £1000 for a Climbing Wall to be located at Monks Rec.

Resolved – that the information be noted.

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71. Consent and Emergency Contact Information

A new system has been introduced to ensure that all members under the age of 18 have consent to attend all LPCY events (including at short notice). Forms will be sent out annually to all members to confirm that officers/representatives have the correct emergency contact information. Members - and parents/carers, where appropriate - will receive a regular, updated list of LPYC events.

Resolved – that the information be noted.

72. Internet Café

Cllr Eveleigh introduced Rachel Ayuba from WSCC children’s services (IPEH). Rachel explained her role within the service and the function of the Find It Out Centre. Cllr Eveleigh advised the internet café could either be held at Lancing Library or the Find It Out Centre. After discussion and consideration, it was agreed that the Find It Out Centre would be the best location as it would be more appealing to young people and refreshments could be served. Ms Ayuba advised that although the two computers could be used, WiFi required for other devices may not be adequate. Additionally, the process of hiring the Centre on a regular basis was explained. It was noted that at least two responsible, DBS checked adults would be required to be on site at all times for safeguarding purposes. Cllrs Eveleigh and Patmore volunteered themselves for this role. It was agreed to start this project after Easter to enable LPYC to advertise the internet café.

Resolved –

- a) to run the internet café at the Find It Out centre on Thursdays 3:30pm-5:30pm.
- b) that Cllrs Eveleigh and Patmore attend every session in their roles of responsible adults.
- c) to start an advertising campaign to open the internet cafe on Thursday 19 April.
- d) that YCllrs Atterbury and Scott look over the WSCC contract to enable LPYC to hire the hall.
- e) that YCllr Everest designs a draft poster to advertise the internet café and considers places to advertise.

73. Recruitment

YCllr Atterbury and Cllr Eveleigh are due to attend a meeting with Mrs Ramshaw from Sir Robert Woodard Academy who is keen to progress the recruitment campaign through the school. Cllr Eveleigh reported that during her preliminary meeting with Mrs Ramshaw they had discussed options for recruitment which included a poster competition starting with one school chapter.

Resolved – that the information be noted.

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74. Future Agenda Items

YCllr Everest – LPYC could plan an event to raise funds and awareness of the Youth Council.

YCllr Roberts – LPYC could have a greater presence on social media.

Cllr Eveleigh – Fun4Kids is interested in organising events for teenagers and is keen for LPYC to be involved. The Chair of Fun4Kids, Kay Woodison, will attend the Youth Council meeting in March.

Meeting closed 8:15pm

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