

SWAFFHAM YOUTH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Swaffham Youth Council meeting of the 21st April 2008 at the Town Hall, Swaffham.

In attendance: Chris Babey, Becky Balls, Lea Clark,
Ryan Duke, Mário Goncalves, Lewis Hanrahan,
Amy Head, Sasha Helstern, Sophie Willis.

Deputy Town Clerk: Michelle Meyrick
Youth Worker: Sally Palmer

1. Apologies for Absence.

- 1.1. Emily Bell - sports training.
- 1.2. Louisa Ive - sports training.
- 1.3. Emily Morgan - school trip.
- 1.4. Claire Gibson - cannot attend as she is not able to get transport.

2. Minutes of the 3rd March 2008.

2.1. The minutes of the 3rd March 2008 were agreed by the Council. These will be signed by the Chairman when he or she is elected.

3. Youth Council constitution.

3.1. A copy of the draft constitution was given to everyone in attendance. There was a discussion concerning the content of the constitution. The following amendments are to be made: -

- First section - Item 3 to include a bracket after Swaffham.
- Structure & Membership - Item 2 should say, "should serve a minimum two year term'.
- Structure & Membership - Item 7, to remove Secretary from the second line.

Following the above amendments the Youth Council constitution was agreed.

4. Chairman and Vice Chairman positions.

4.1. A discussion took place relating to the voting procedure for Chairman and Vice Chairman places. It was agreed that nominations for Chairman and Vice Chairman will be received at the next meeting. Each nominee must give a short presentation as to why they should be Chair or Vice Chair with voting taking place at the meeting following that.

5. Town Group display/photographs taken by you.

5.1. There was excellent feedback received from both the Town Assembly and the Town Group workshop. This was in recognition of the display arranged by the Youth Council on things they like/dislike about Swaffham. The Town Group

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will be using the information supplied to feed directly into the Swaffham Town Plan. The Town Group are looking at 4 subjects that relate to Swaffham: -

- Community and Social issues
- Transport
- Environment
- Economy

6. Project ideas.

6.1. There was a lengthy discussion to decide what will be the first project for the Youth Council to organise. It was agreed that a Bingo evening will be organised in September for young and old to take part. Refreshments will be available at the event, possible tee-shirts for the Youth Council will be organised. The details of the event will be decided at the next meeting following more research.

6.2. An idea was put forward for a possible dirt jump track at the Rec. The soil for the jumps could come from the digging out for the MUGA (Multi Use Games Area) that the Rec Committee are planning. This will be put before the Rec Committee at their next meeting.

6.3. It was reported that there is damage to one of the ramps on the skateboard park. The Deputy Clerk will look into this.

6.4. It was reported that some time ago the Swaffham Lionesses had contacted the Youth Council steering group offering a donation for an event. A letter had gone back to them thanking them for the offer but there was no project the steering group were working on at the time. The Youth Council agreed to write to the Lionesses detailing the bingo event and to ask them for their support now. Amy Head with the aid of Sally Palmer will write a letter to the Lionesses.

7. Date of next meetings

7.1. The next meeting will be on Monday 2nd June at 6.30pm

Meeting finished at 8.00pm