



Holmes Chapel Youth Council



Notes of the meeting on 29 April 2019 5pm

The Academy Suite, Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA

Attendees: Theodore Castle
Will Bagley
Matthew Bayley
Charlotte Braka
Eliza Cantello
Laura Henderson
Ben Knowles
Bella Mac
Sam Oliver
Frances Welsh
James Wild

Also present to support:
Cllr Mike Street
Mrs Sue McKay
Mr Mike Oliver

1. Apologies for Absence

None

2. **Minutes of last meeting** – The members agreed to accept the minutes of the last meeting as an accurate record.

3. **Bridge the Gap group** – Mr Oliver gave a short talk to the group about the newly formed group, and how the initiator of the group, Sophie Tohill, had expressed a wish to possibly co-ordinate some activities with the Youth Council. It was agreed that a small group of members would meet with Sophie and Mr Oliver – a date to be arranged in the next two weeks. The members to attend are Theodore, Bella, James, Frances and Sam

4. **WhatsApp group** for easier communication between members – the remaining phone numbers required to complete the group were gathered at the meeting at the information given to Laura and James (as group managers) to add.

5. **Youth Cinema** – Charlotte updated the group with a list of suggested films and the offer of help from Mr Feldmann (a teacher at the comprehensive school) to set up a survey monkey to gather views about possible choices of film. It was agreed that an initial shortlist of four should be chosen from this larger list, and a meeting be arranged with HC3 (the Holmes Chapel Community Cinema) and the Community Centre to establish feasibility and costs for the Youth Cinema. This information to be brought back to the next meeting. Sue McKay to organise meeting with HC3, HCCC, Charlotte and Frances.

6. **Family Fun Day** – James and Laura have compiled a list of possible activities for the day. It was confirmed that the aim of the day would be to raise funds for charity, possible AGE UK. The event will be held at the Community Centre. It was agreed that more information was needed about the cost of activities planned before deciding on an entry fee. It was voiced that any

income from the Youth cinema could go towards the family fun day. The following types of activity are to be investigated and facts relating to each brought back to the next meeting:

- Water balloon area – James and Laura
- Zorbing suits – Eliza
- Tug – of – war – Matthew
- Upcycling stall – Bella / Ben
- Scouts BBQ – Will / James
- Cake Stall – All
- Other refreshments – to be decided
- 3 legged race – Theodore
- Bouncy castle – Charlotte
- Scavenger Hunt (solving a riddle) – Eliza
- Music – Lions Band – Bella
 - Scout band – James
 - Music from school bands – Bella
- Party Games area – Charlotte
- Gardening stall – Charlotte
- Involvement from other groups – eg Explorers and Cadets – James and Bella
- Involvement from local businesses – Bella

A possible date for the event was suggested of Saturday 7 September. A meeting will be arranged with James, Laura and Bella and community centre staff in the next few weeks to establish feasibility for the event.

7. Social Media update – Sam updated the group with progress on social media. An Instagram account is up and running, as well as a facebook page. Sam asked if the link for the facebook page could be shared as widely as possible. Theodore and Sam had also had a session on Dane Sound radio, which had gone well. This may become a regular slot on the radio station. Mr Oliver asked if it would be possible to get Youth Council news onto the school VLE.

8. Any other business

1. Bella had been asked to introduce the subject of environmental responsibility by a school mate to the Youth Council. It was agreed that this should feature on the next agenda, and that it could also be the subject for the next Dane Sound Radio session. The Council agreed that to introduce more recycling bins in Holmes Chapel would be a good first step.
2. Sue Mckay passed on a message from Peter Wheirs, HC partnership, regarding the possible Youth shelter project. This was received favourably and the council are keen to learn more. Mr Wheirs will be invited to give a short talk at the next meeting.
3. Date of next meeting – the next meeting has been arranged for 3 June at 5pm, in the Academy Suite.