



Holmes Chapel Youth Council



Notes of the meeting on 3 June 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

Also present to support:

Cllr Mike Street
Mrs Sue McKay
Mr Mike Oliver

Mr Peter Wheirs

One member of the school community (pupil)

1. Apologies for Absence

James Wild, due to exams

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

3. **A Youth Shelter for Holmes Chapel** – Mr Peter Whiers, Holmes Chapel partnership, (HCP) gave an informative talk about the possibility of having a Youth shelter in Holmes Chapel. He gave a summary of who the HCP are, what they have achieved in the past as well as what projects they are looking at presently. An overview of Youth Shelters was presented, with the three key points being to provide shelter from the elements, a semi open design for safety and a location where it will not disturb residents / businesses in the immediate area. There are different types of shelter available, ranging from open plan seating to a purpose built pod incorporating bluetooth speakers.

Mr Wheirs then requested help of the Youth Council, in terms of gathering the views of the youth in Holmes Chapel via a short survey, which would need to be completed in the next 6 weeks. This information would then be used to support an application for funding. A small group from the Youth Council (Bella, Laura, Will & Ben) agreed to meet Mr Wheirs in the Parish office on Wednesday 5 June at 5pm to agree on the questions to be included in the survey. Mr Wheirs was thanked for his presentation.

Mr Peter Whiers left the meeting.

4. **Bridge the Gap** – Further to the meeting with BTG on 22 May 2019:

- I. The notes from that meeting were agreed as an accurate record. See Appendix 1
- II. The follow up group to feed back to BTG are Theodore, Bella, Laura, Frances and Sam.
- III. It was agreed that some activities from the family fun day would be used at a BTG event in September instead. (see 6 below)

- IV. Some further activities may be used over the summer months at the Vic Club, if they go ahead with their plan to have open barbeques during the summer.
- V. A follow up meeting with BTG will be arranged for Wednesday 12 June at 4pm in the parish Office.

5. Youth Cinema – Charlotte and Frances updated the group further to a meeting with the HC3 Holmes Chapel cinema. This group recommended using Reels on Wheels, (ROW) a service who provide all the equipment and set-up. Answers to questions supplied by ROW are shown in Appendix 2. The Community Centre and ROW have availability on Saturday evenings; the group decided to aim for a date in early October, possibly Saturday 5 October. ROW and the Community centre will be contacted for availability. The survey for the film choice is ongoing around the local schools – this will be known by the end of the school year, in time for the showing in October. The HC3 group have also offered financial assistance to get the Youth cinema going.

Theodore Castle and Sam Oliver left the meeting, to perform a radio show.

6. Family Fun Day – As per 4 above, activities originally planned for the family fun day will be taken to the BTG event. The activities chosen were:

- Upcycling stall
- Cake Stall , to include decorating biscuits
- Face painting
- Party / outdoor games area – Jenga, Stocks (water sponges), Hook-a-duck.

The Youth Council requested the maximum sum of £70 to fund the upcycling stall from the Youth Council budget.

7. Request from Society of Local Council Clerks – Each year the Cheshire branch of the SLCC hold a one day conference in the area, comprised of a range of relevant short talks. This year they are looking to have one such talk on Yoth Councils and wondered if any of the Holmes Chapel members would like to participate? The event is on Wednesday 9 October in Northwich. Bella, Charlotte Will and Ben offered to be involved. S McKay will contact the school to check if permission for this can be gained.

8. Environmental Awareness A pupil from Holmes Chapel 6th form college attended the meeting to raise the awareness of harm being done to the environment by our everyday lives. She requested help from the youth Council to get the messages around more walking and cycling, more reusing and recycling and cutting down on meat consumption out to the Villagers. She specifically requested more recycling bins in the village. It was agreed that Bella would write to the Clerk of the council to include this in a future Parish Council agenda. It was also agreed to have a media campaign to raise environmental awareness and to combine the request from the Parish Council to run a photography competition into a Poster Competition to raise awareness for the environment, as well as using Sam Oliver's media skills to get the message out on social media.

9. Poster Competition – The Parish Council request was accepted in the form of a Poster competition for this year only. It will be aimed at High school children, with two classes of

entry: Junior – years 7-9 and senior – years 10-13. There will be a trophy as well as a small prize for the winning entries. Photos can be used in the poster.

It will be judged by members of the Youth Council along with Cllr M Street, the competition judge for the Parish Council and Cllr D Savage, one of the Youth Council representatives.

The winning posters will then be displayed around the village in the coming months.

10. Any other business

1. National Bike week – begins Saturday 15 June. We had been informed of a planned event at the community centre, but have subsequently heard that this event has been cancelled.

2. Sue McKay highlighted the Friday Night project meeting from 6 – 8 pm at the community centre on Friday 7 June (by connected communities) and asked if some of the members could go. (ages 11 – 16)

3. Date of next meeting – the next meeting has been arranged for 16 July at 5pm, place of meeting to be arranged.

Appendix 1

Notes from meeting with Bridge The Gap group

Wednesday 22 May 2019 5pm

Holmes Chapel Parish Council Office – Church Walk

Attendees:

Sophie Tothill (Bridge the Gap)

Margaret Ranger (Bridge the Gap)

Mike Oliver – Holmes Chapel Comprehensive rep

Youth Council: Theodore Castle

Laura Henderson

Frances Welsh

Sam Oliver

Sue McKay (Parish Council)

1. Mike Oliver introduced the reasons for setting up the Youth Council, and the aims of the group, which are .

- *Introduce the young people of Holmes Chapel to the processes of local government by directly involving them in the activities of the Parish Council;*
- *Ascertain the views of young people regarding the current and future issues facing the parish council and the village in general;*
- *Initiate and manage projects of interest to the young people of Holmes Chapel;*
- *Encourage future potential parish councillors.*

2. Sophie Tothill explained how the Bridge the Gap (BTG) group seeks to address the issue of social isolation by reaching out across the community with a range of events targeted at all ages. She would love to have feedback and ideas from the Youth Council to be incorporated into future events.

3. The possibility of the two groups working together on a number of projects was discussed:

3.1 Community Cinema – this is being looked into by BTG, as well as the possibility of an outdoor cinema event. Could this tie in with the Youth Cinema? Sophie would like feedback from the Youth Council, and ideas for possible popular film choices.

3.2 Back to School barbeque 2nd weekend of September, at the Scout Hut. This BTG event could be linked with the proposed family fun day? It would be a smaller event than originally planned by the Youth Council. Again – Sophie would like feedback on possible ideas for activities at this event to attract all ages.

3.3 Sophie informed the Youth Council that the Vic Club have been keen to support BTG, with offers of invitations to watch the cricket on Saturday afternoons, as well as possibly using the field for other activities on a Sunday afternoon, where BBQ's will be provided for use by attendees to cook their own food. Again – can the Youth Council offer ideas and support for these afternoons during the summer?

4. It was agreed that the above matters would be discussed at the next meeting of the Youth Council on Monday 3 June, and a small group from the Youth Council set-up to communicate with BTG, along with Sue from the Parish Council.
5. Sophie is happy for any of the Youth Council to get in touch via her e.mail which is sophie.m.tohill@gmail.com

Sue Mckay
22 May 2019

Appendix 2

From: Sue McKay <admin@holmeschapelparishcouncil.gov.uk>

Sent: 20 May 2019 09:24

To: 'rowfilm@hotmail.com' <rowfilm@hotmail.com>

Subject: Film Hire - Holmes Chapel

Dear Reels on wheels,

We have been talking to our local cinema group in Holmes Chapel (they use the Holmes Chapel Community Centre) who recommended your services for showing films.

We have interest in Holmes Chapel to get a Youth Cinema going, and are wondering if you can give us the following information:

1. Do you have a wide range of films available to rent ?
Yes – most films are available. If a particular film was required it could be sent up from London – but this would be an additional cost as we would have to pay for the shipping. ROW have in stock latest releases – we would not have to pay for the shipping on these. If we were to contact him with a date, then he can tell us the film (s) he would have then.
2. Do you have availability to put on a film in Holmes Chapel on a Friday or Saturday evening? **Fridays are all gone for the year, but he does have some Saturdays available before September.**
3. How much does the service cost? **The minimum charge is £200. This is payable one month before the event. He recommended minimum charge of £3 per ticket. However, he also is owed 65% of the ticket sales, so if we sell more than 67 tickets, a further amount would be due after the event.**

4. Does the cost vary depending on the film? **As said above, some films are charged more if they are not already on his repertoire at the time, to cover the cost of shipping from London.**
5. When would the payment for the service be due? **£200 due one month before, and the balance payable after the event.**

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