



Holmes Chapel Youth Council

Notes of the meeting on 16 July 2019 5pm

Holmes Chapel Methodist Church Community Room.



Attendees: Theodore Castle
Laura Henderson
Bella Mac
James Wild

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

1. Apologies for Absence

Will Bagley, Matthew Bayley, Charlotte Braka, Eliza Cantello, Ben Knowles, Sam Oliver and Frances Welsh

2. **Minutes of last meeting** – The members agreed to accept the minutes of the meeting on 3 June 2019 as an accurate record.

3. **Rep from Community Centre:** This has been cancelled. Sue McKay informed the Youth Council of the upcoming family Fun day on Saturday 20 July, 11 – 3pm, at the Community Centre.

4. **Update: A Youth Shelter for Holmes Chapel** – S McKay informed the YC that 140 responses had been obtained from the on-line survey, and that Mr Peter Wheirs had over 100 responses at the village fair.

5. **Youth Cinema** – The community centre and ROW have been provisionally booked for 5 October 2019. The Council agreed to proceed with this date. ROW stress that it is not successful to show an old film. The survey undertaken at school could be used to indicate type of film desired instead? Latest releases available will be known early September. The Council agreed to delegate the final decision on the film and organisation of tickets and advertising to a smaller task group, who will meet before the next Council meeting as required:

The members are Charlotte Braka, Bella Mac, Sam Oliver, Frances Welsh, James Wild.

The Council were informed of a proposed generous donation from the HC3 Cinema group to help set-up and run the Youth Cinema, of just over £1000. The Council accepted the donation and agreed that Bella would draft a letter of thanks to confirm the use of the donation.

6. **Bridge the Gap** – The BTG group met with the new representative from BTG for Youth Council liaison, Sarah Arcibald in the Parish office on Friday 21 June. This was a brief meeting where the agreed ideas from the YC meeting were given to her for the BTG BBQ event. A follow up meeting with Sarah is planned for Thursday 25 July at 1:30.

7. **Environmental Awareness** – Bella updated the committee with plans to spread more awareness about causes of environmental harm on social media, and also via family and friends.

The Youth Council requested more recycling bins to be installed in the village – as a starting request in the precinct and in the playareas. This request will be fed into the Council via the Amenities committee.

- 8. Poster Competition** – The Youth Council had a great response to the poster competition from years 7 and 8 at the Comprehensive school. There were two categories – a joint poster done in groups, and individual entries.

Cllr Street and members of the Youth Council reviewed the entries and chose a winner and two runner ups from each poster type.

The two winners will be presented with a trophy and a voucher (one voucher each for the group entry). It was agreed that the runners up would receive a free ticket to the Youth Cinema. (7 in total) The trophy will be engraved with “Winner: Youth Council Poster Competition 2019”.

Prizes will be presented at the Youth Council AGM, with the winners being notified at school before the end of the current term.

- 9. Timing and Format of Elections:** The Council noted that the AGM, where the new Council will be elected, is due in September. Regret was expressed by the supporting members of the Parish Council that the present Youth Council has not had the full year to operate, but advised that the September date for the AGM should be adhered to, co-inciding with the academic year.

The date of 16 September 2019 was chosen for the AGM, at 5pm. Cllrs Street, Savage, Hamilton and Mr Oliver to be invited to a meeting prior to this date to finalise the format of the elections, which will be circulated to all members of the present Youth Council and any other interested youths.

10. Any other business

No news from school regarding permissions for attendance at the SLCC conference in October. S Mck, Mr Oliver and Bella to chase Phil Roberts for a response before the end of term.

The meeting closed at 6:30 pm