

**MINUTES OF THE ZOOM VIRTUAL YOUTH COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 30  
JUNE 2020**

**PRESENT** Councillors Atkinson, Hale, L Ploughman, Dwyer, N Ploughman,  
Mallett, Wilkinson and P Terry

**IN ATTENDANCE** Emma Smith (Town Clerk) and 1 members of the public

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**YC32 APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON**  
Cllr Wilkinson was appointed Chairperson of the Committee for 2020-21

**YC33 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRPERSON**  
Cllr L Ploughman was appointed Vice-Chairperson of the Committee for 2020-21

Cllr Mallett expressed the importance of formally recognising the excellent work which has been done over the past year. There have been four people that have taken a vague idea in the manifesto that stated Belper Town Council would form a Youth Committee which would advise the Council on the needs of young people. Due to the hard work and commitment to this cause, Belper Town Council has managed to deliver a Youth Council with representatives from every school both Primary and Secondary, home educated, guides and Scouts. The Youth Council have met every month brimming with ideas but unfortunately they were cut short due to COVID-19. They have affiliated themselves with the British Youth Council. Cllr Mallett proposed a formal vote of thanks from this Committee to P Terry, Cllr Hale, Atkinson and Dwyer whose leadership has brought those ideas to fruition as a practical reality. Cllr Mallett looks forward to next July where he hopes and anticipates that the same levels of progress will have been achieved by those people now stepping to the fore.

**RESOLVED** Agreed the proposal. Cllr Wilkinson extended the Committees thanks to the previous Chairs work for the Youth Council and hope they continue with this good work.

**YC34 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**  
Cllr B Bellamy – no apologies were received

**YC35 VARIATION OF ORDER OF BUSINESS**  
None

**YC36 DECLARATION OF MEMBERS' INTERESTS**  
None

**YC37 CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS**  
None

**YC38 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**  
A member of the public expressed an interest in becoming a Committee Member due to their wealth of experience they have gained during their career for over 26 years. They would like to engage with young people and particularly hard to reach young people. They are passionate about communities and creating change.

**YC39**

**MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING**

**RESOLVED** Committee approved the minutes of the Youth Committee meeting held on 3 December 2019.

**YC40**

**TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE YOUTH COMMITTEE**

a) Increase in Members

**RESOLVED** to recommend to July Full Council an increase in Members from 9 to 10.

b) DBS checks

**RESOLVED** The Committee established a policy that all Committee members would be basic DBS checked by Belper Town Council and this would be renewed every year.

c) Co-option

**RESOLVED** co-opted S Barley-McMullen.

**YC41**

**YOUTH COUNCIL**

a) Terms of reference

**RESOLVED** Youth Council members are 16 with at least 2 Councillors present at every Youth Council meeting. Remove Drop Inn from and replace with Blend. The Youth Council meets monthly except for August.

b) Youth Booklet

**RESOLVED** Approved costing of £400.00 for design and development of the booklet by A Mayers. Printing costs will require 3 quotes only 1 received to date Town Clerk to acquire 2 additional quotes. Delegate power to Town Clerk to action purchase of 500 copies of the proposed booklet at a maximum total cost of £565.00.

c) Youth Council Members for 2020/21

**RESOLVED** Invite current Youth Councillors back for a further year due to this year being cut short with COVID-19. Cllr Dwyer to contact Youth Council members and feedback to Committee.

d) Communication on Council Website

**RESOLVED** Cllr Wilkinson will refer this strategy to the Communications Working Group. Town Clerk to setup a separate page on the Belper Town Council website for Youth Council communications. Cllr Wilkinson will contact the Town Mayor to ask if items regarding the Youth Council could feature on the Mayors videos.

e) DALC talking to Youth Councillors

Chief Officer of DALC offered an informative talk about how Councils work to Youth Councillors. This is offered free of charge. **RESOLVED** DALC to attend a future Youth Council meeting, date to be confirmed once Youth Council meeting dates have been established. Cllr Dwyer, Atkinson, Hale and P Terry to take the lead with running the Youth Council to ensure continuity. All Committee members should attend Youth Council meetings if they are able.

f) Equality Targets

**RESOLVED** Working group established through Full Council to look at Belper Town Council's current Equality and Diversity Policy. Youth Committee would like this group with the addition of Committee member S Barley-McMullen to look at strategies and then set the targets against the strategy to implement.

**YC42**

**COMMUNITY PLAY SPACES GROUP**

a) Three cornered rec

Cllr Atkinson reported Amber Valley Borough Council have approved the use of Section 106 monies totally £47,500. Belper Town Council have previously agreed £20,000 in relation to this project. Drawings, brief and specification will be produced by Amber Valley Borough Council for both secured fund pots to go out to tender.

**RESOLVED** To note

b) Extreme Wheels Events

Cllr Atkinson reported that the Play spaces group had completed and submitted a grant application with Derbyshire County Council for an amount of £5,000. This will be used to hold 11 sessions and a jam event to engage young people focus on prevention and early intervention. The feedback from these sessions will be used in determination of a possible skate park. Derbyshire County Council will send a response regarding the grant at the end of July to the Play spaces group.

**RESOLVED** To note

**YC43**

**BLEND YOUTH PROJECT**

Cllr Dwyer reported that Blend is hoping to start at the beginning of September with small groups, but the majority of the groups will be street based.

**RESOLVED** To change the date of the SLA agreement in line with the start date in September. The payments will be made quarterly rather than annually. Notice period extended to 12 months rather than 6 months. Feedback will be given quarterly at least from Blend.

**YC44**

**ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

Cllr Wilkinson reported that there are anti-social behaviour issues within Belper. Cllr Atkinson stated there are currently 2 police officers and 2 PCSO's in the Amber Valley area (100 square miles). Key issue is that nobody is notifying the police. The police cannot act unless they receive the information. Blend will alleviate some of this situation once they commence in September.

**RESOLVED** Committee to investigate the sources of these issues. Youth Committee to include this as a continuing agenda item at each meeting. Town Clerk to include advice regarding how to contact the

police about anti-social behaviour matters on the Belper Town Council website.

**YC45 ANTI-RACISM PROJECTS**

Cllr Wilkinson reported that this has been all over the news. Belper Town Council should engage with Anti-racism projects. A network has been setup called the Belper Anti-racism network lead by Cllr Wilkinson with a few hundred members. Focus to move away from demos to education/workshops. As part of the Youth Council initiative, invite an organisation called Spectrum in Derby to attend a future meeting.

**RESOLVED** To note

**YC46 NEXT AGENDA ITEMS**

**RESOLVED** Anti-social behaviour

Blend

Youth Council

Play spaces group - Extreme Wheels

Play spaces group - Three cornered Rec

**YC47 NEXT MEETING**

**RESOLVED** 24 November 2020 location to be confirmed.

The meeting closed at 9.02pm

Signed .....

Chairperson

Date 24 November 2020