

ROTHERHAM YOUTH CABINET MEETING

26 November 2014

Minutes

Present:

Alicia Wilson	Chair
Oliver Blake	Support

Josh Parker, Josh Grundy, Chalea Lynch, Tom Jackson, Sam Mitchell, Toni Paxman, Paige Hobson, Megan Stagles, Hannah Kong, Haleema Ali, Mateen Duresmain, Joon Kim, Brad Sargeson, Shannon Worthington.

Apologies

Rumbi Kambarami

Introductions

Young people gave their names, where they are from and if they liked the Hunger Games.

New members were welcomed to the group.

Minutes from last Meeting

The group read through minutes of last meeting.

Manifesto Launch

Josh P reported on Manifesto Launch. He said that the Manifesto Launch is an annual Youth Cabinet and UKYP event which allows them to showcase what they did the previous year and what they aim to do the following year. He felt it was a fabulous event and liked the ice breaker at the beginning of the session. He said there were some fantastic speeches from Roger Stone and Chris Brodhurst-Brown.

Training Day Update

Mateen talked about the training day and that MIND came to deliver training to the group around Self Harm to support them in their Manifesto Aim around this issue. Mateen said she was very surprised about what she learnt and felt a lot more enlightened and that her original thoughts were changed. She talked about the tasks they worked on, looking at what Self Harm actually is and what people could do to support this.

In the afternoon, the group wrote today's agenda, did updates and had some fun, played games and did team building activities.

11Million Takeover Day

The first half of this years will be reporting on actions from last years 11 Million takeover day's theme of Transport. The second half will be around access to support services for young people around Self Harm.

At the next sub group, young people were going to discuss who to invite from Health. A list of suggested people was read out and the group wanted them all invited. The sub group will discuss this further at the meeting on Thursday 28 November..

The group were reminded of the dates for 11 Million Takeover day; 30th January to discuss issues with professional health workers and 27 February for the Cabinet Meeting/full 11Million Takeover day event. Invites will be going out soon from Caroline Webb.

Visit to Houses of Parliament, London

Sarah informed the group that Sarah Champion MP had invited the group to visit the Houses of Parliament in London on 25 February 2014, following her meeting with the group at the Manifesto Launch.

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Safe Havens and Rotherham Ready – Josh Grundy

There is no update on Safe Havens as because of exams they have not been involved very much. Josh explained what Safe Havens was for new members as being a youth run anti bullying organisation run by young people in several schools in Rotherham.

Josh explained that Rotherham Ready is a youth enterprise group set up by Rotherham Council and most schools are involved. Josh said that Rumbi was currently in London talking about Rotherham Ready and Youth Enterprise.

Publicity and Promotion Sub Group

The group had put together a promotional pack for schools but this needs finishing.

Brad and Shannon had been to Rawmarsh School to talk to the school council about Rotherham Youth Cabinet and Josh P and Paige went to St Pius school to help them set up their school council. They said that they seemed very keen to set up and improve their school council.

Oliver explained for new members that Youth Cabinet were on Twitter and Facebook.

LACC

There was no update from LACC as members were out on a meal during Youth Cabinet meeting so couldn't attend.

UK Youth Parliament

Josh P and Nina went to House of Commons sitting. They debated on issues voted by around 500,000 young people across the country. The issues were Votes at 16, Curriculum for Life, Combating Youth Unemployment, Zero Tolerance to Bullying and Better Work Experience. The vote for the next national campaign were for 'Votes at 16' and 'better work experience for all'.

There has been a training session last Saturday for potential candidates for the next Youth Parliament elections which will take place in February. He said it was a reasonably successful day and they got lots done.

LGBT Update

It was explained that LGBT is planning for next LGBT event in February and had recently done an event for Black History month.

Finance Update

Oliver informed the group of what had been spent from the budget during the previous couple of months.

Youth Cabinet Constitution.

Members looked through the current constitution and discussed changes they would like to make. The revised constitution will be agreed at the next training day.

Big Dream DVD

The Big Dream DVD was shown to the group to highlight issues around living in Care.

Christmas Meal

The group discussed where they would like to go for their Christmas celebration event. They voted for Orient Express in Rotherham.

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None

Debate

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