

**Rotherham Youth Cabinet Meeting  
Agenda  
Tuesday 8th July 2014**

**Summary of Minutes**

**Chair – Josh Parker**  
**Support - Toni Paxford**

**Healthwatch - Sharon Cope**

Not present, will attend next meeting.

**Youth Cabinet PYPPO Rep - PC Paul Gray**

Paul is a Police Young Peoples Partnership Officer and is one of 7 working in schools across Rotherham.

Paul said he was asked to become the representative for Youth Cabinet. He has no prescriptive role and is open to suggestions by young people and if young people have any points to raise with the Police or would like any other representatives to attend meetings, he is very happy to get involved and sort this out.

**Self Harm update - Ann Berridge and Ruth Fletcher-Brown**

Ann and Ruth fed back the report which they presented to Scrutiny on the ten recommendations Youth Cabinet had made and discussed what had been done and what they planned to do in the future.

Ruth thanked Youth Cabinet members for their work on this issue, especially for their involvement in the Suicide Prevention conference. She said that from the evaluations for the event, the Youth Cabinet input ranked the highest.

Anne said that at the OSMC there was a request from Councillor Currie that the presentation at the conference be taken to the Chair/Vice Chair of Governors meeting and asked if Youth Cabinet would go to Meeting to present their findings.

**IYSS Website - Andrew Danylkiw, Jayne Bowns and John Kelly**

The group were reminded of the consultation they did at the Rotherham Show last year around the IYSS Website and they were informed that there is currently a 'soft launch' of the new IYSS Website, with a full launch at the Rotherham Show later this year.

Young people were invited to look on their phones and on an iPad so they could give feedback about the site.

## **Residential and Summer Activities**

Sarah gave out consent forms for the Habershon residential with LACC and discussed plans for it. Sarah also gave out a list of dates for training days throughout the summer break and informed the group they would be planning for their new manifesto, the Rotherham Show and promotion of Youth Cabinet.

## **Transport user group**

Tom explained his role as Transport representative for Youth Cabinet. He is also currently doing work experience at SYPTTE and is looking at how to include young people in changes to public transport schedules. The group had a discussion about transport issues and Tom gave out information around public transport news.

## **Michael Gove's emails – Exam Stress**

Emilia has had two emails back from Elizabeth Truss from Michael Gove's office about exams and stress. The group discussed the contents and decided to send other emails to query some of the comments and points she made.

## **Treasurers update**

Oliver gave an update on the budget and discussed the actual spend and predicted spend.

## **Publicity and Promotion Sub Group**

Oliver and Brad gave figures for Twitter which has 319 followers and Facebook has 189 Likes. Oliver asked people to 'share' the social media links to keep people updated.

## **LACC Update**

Lisa gave an update on LACC activities.

## **UKYP**

Toni said they had started the Votes @ 16 campaign. With regard to the Curriculum for Life campaign, they were looking at PSHE in schools. They have reviewed one school and have another under review. They are starting to look at their local campaign and asked for any suggestions from the group.

## **Poland Group**

Josh G gave an update and said they were preparing for a presentation on 25 July which was going well. The Poland group went to Beth Shalom last Tuesday which was a fantastic day. They met a holocaust survivor which was very emotional. They also looked at a genocide in Rwanda exhibition.

The Poland group, along with other Youth Cabinet members, went to Leicester for the Mini WE Day around anti bullying. Toni and Rebecca did presentations at the event and spoke about their experiences around bullying; Rebecca also sang. The presentations were very optimistic and emotional and Toni said she had never really told anyone her story before. They are also planning a visit to the Imperial War Museum in October to consolidate their learning around the holocaust and the war.

### **New Manifesto Aims**

Sarah gave out a list of suggestions Youth Cabinet members had made so far for their new manifesto. Sarah asked for young people to pass any comments to her and that the group would work on these over the summer.

### **AOB**

Josh P presented Emilia with a get well soon card as she will be having an operation tomorrow.

### **Debate:**

The debate didn't take place as the meeting ran out of time.