

Weston-super-Mare Youth Council Meeting Notes

A.	Date of meeting: 14 th January 2025
B.	Meeting Start Time: 18.04pm
C.	Where is the meeting: YMCA Youth Cafe
D.	Attendance –Sammy (SG) Oliver (OM) Natalie (NM) Ian (IR) Zac (ZR) Ben (BW) Eleanor (EH) Inara (IP) Harry (HW)Lillie (LAP) Amie (AM) Alli W (AW) Sam B (SB) Crystal B (CB) Eva (EJ) Evan (EL)
F.	Welcome – Check in, All well, EH asked all present to introduce themselves to the new members and guests.
1.	Apologies for Absence – Ellis (ER) Kelly (KH) Mylee (MRD)
2.	Declarations of Interest – None
3.	Notes of Last Meeting – Changes made to the those present at the last meeting section(D) Notes all correct. Proposed- SG Second- EH
4.	Welcome- EH welcomed Lasse from Hildesheim who is here for two months doing work experience with Weston Town Council and N Somerset Council. He will also be supporting the German Exchange programme happening in April. EH then introduced Evan Linde, EL explained that he had stepped into Becky Walsh's role as the new Communication and Marketing office for Weston Town council. EL said he was very keen to support the youth council moving forward.
5.	Music event update – EH explained to the members that AW had produced the list of questions that the members had agreed on at the previous meeting to help organise the event. She said it would help splitting the members up in to sub committees to make sure all the areas of the organisation are covered. AW said if members joined the committees that they wanted to help with but asked SG to head up Fundraising, and OM to head up Marketing as that was their youth council roles. AW also asked CB , EJ & EL if they would be happy to support a committee. Marketing and communications – OM- EL - Looking at producing posters, advertising. Fundraising – SG- AW – BW – Looking at companies, Charities and fundraising ideas Acts – EH – EJ - Looking at the running of the day and how to interview acts Equipment and set up – ZR – CB- AW asked the sub committees to think about what will need to be organised in the specific areas above.
6.	Litter Pick update – 8 th February 1-4pm at Weston youth centre. Now confirmed as a silent disco litter pick. We will offer hot dogs to everyone that takes part.

7.	Newsletter – Update CB said that the college members had only just gone back this week so had not had a chance to work on it yet. She asked if the newsletter should be paper or an e-newsletter. AW said previously they had done an e-newsletter and sent it to all the schools, who then sent it out with their parent’s newsletters, which was more effective than a paper copy. IR & OM agreed that online would reach more young people.
8.	Events – Silent Disco Litter Pick February 8th –Weston Youth Centre 1-4pm Youth Exchange Visit Saturday 5th April– Activity afternoon – Weston Youth Centre- 2-5pm Tuesday 8th April Welcome Party – Youth Hub Lower Bristol road 7.30pm-9.30pm Tuesday 15th April – Farewell Party - Youth Hub Lower Bristol road 7.30pm-9.30pm Saturday 27th September - Young Peoples music event – Blakehey Theatre 10am -4pm (event 2-4pm) TBC
9.	Any Other Business Meeting dates to be approved. AW gave the members the 2025 suggested meeting dates and asked if they were all happy with the proposed dates. All agreed. Proposed – EH Seconded - ZR Videos for social media- OM asked all members that haven’t provided a video for social media to send one to the whatsapp group so Oliver can edit them. Just Record yourself (it doesn’t have to show your face) Saying what you do, why you are a member and how you can join the youth council.
10.	Meeting ended – 18.45pm Date of Next Meeting – 11/02/24