



St Andrews Parish Council

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Draft Minutes of the Youth Task Group Meeting held on Wednesday 30th March 2022 at 7:30pm in Redhouse Community Centre

Councillors Present: Daniel Adams, Kola Beyioku (Chairman), Mary Friend, Steve Heyes and Vera Tomlinson
Officer Present: Emma Sylvester (Clerk)

Agenda Item	Notes	Actions/Decisions
1. Apologies	None	
2. Declarations of Interest	None	
3. Minutes	RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the last meeting held on 27 th October 2021	
4. Swindon Borough Council Youth Offer	<p>(i) Cllr Beyioku reported that he had visited a Youth Zone in London which was something that Swindon Borough Council was looking into. He said the building was very attractive to youth and not what he was expecting. He explained the business model of how it was set up - through a company asking for sponsorship and the wide range of activities available to users and all the benefits. Councillors agreed that it was a great idea but had concerns about the funding and how St Andrews Parish Council could contribute when they were such a small parish council.</p> <p>Cllr Tomlinson thanked Cllr Beyioku for all his hard work and said it was appreciated.</p> <p>(ii) The Clerk reported that unfortunately the Youth Officer from SBC had been unable to attend the meeting and requested an informal online meeting was set up.</p>	<p>Action: KB to keep members update on SBC's progress</p> <p>Action: ES to set up online meeting with SBC officer</p>
5. Work Experience	<p>It was noted that at the last Full Council meeting it was agreed to take on a student from a local school to join the Grounds Maintenance team for a 4-week trial work experience.</p> <p>Members discussed the benefits and other possible opportunities including Litterpick</p>	<p>Action: ES to invite Cllr Chandler to next meeting to put</p>



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	events to encourage youth to take pride in where they live.	together a Litterpick plan.
6. Youth Activities	<p>SH reported that he had been in contact with All Stars who would be able to provide taster sessions in girls and boys football and BEST who offer several activities that help grow confidence.</p> <p>ES reported that she had been in contact with Youth Action Wiltshire who had advised that the parish council should first look at providing events through an external provider as they would have all the necessary policies in place and qualified staff. If the parish council decides in the future to run a youth club or take on staff, they would be able to assist with training.</p> <p>KB reported on mentoring and the benefits to individuals. Members felt that at this present time it was not something the parish council could provide.</p> <p>Members discussed information provided and agreed it would be best to initially hold several sessions over the summer holidays providing a range of activities delivered by an external company.</p>	<p>Action: ES to obtain quotes from different providers.</p>
7. Youth Strategy	<p>Members agreed that the working group was just at the beginning of developing a youth strategy and this would follow.</p> <p>Members discussed the importance of communication and consulting with the local children/young adults.</p>	<p>Action: ES to obtain details of relevant contacts at local schools/groups/PCSO and invite to a future meeting.</p>
8. Finance	<p>The Clerk reported that there was £4000 in Earmarked Reserves for Youth Provision.</p> <p>Members discussed the possibility of extra funding from grants.</p>	<p>Action: ES to investigate available grants</p>
9. Date of Next Meeting	Wednesday 11 th May 2022 at 7:30pm in the Parish offices.	Action: ES



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The meeting closed at 8:43pm.