

MINUTES of the St Andrews Parish Council Youth Committee meeting held on Monday 24th March 2025 at 19:30 in the Redhouse Community Centre, Frankel Road, Swindon.

Present: Cllrs: Daniel Young, Kola Beyioku, Paul Morris and Debbie Young.

Mrs Rose, Administrative Officer.

Deborah Bourne, Locum Clerk.

Also Present: One member of the public.

Questions/Public Statements to St Andrews Parish Council.

A member of the public present put forward ideas for the youth committee's consideration.

YC25-15 **Apologies for Absence**

Apologies were received from Councillor Cherie Adams

YC25-16 **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest made regarding items being discussed at this meeting.

YC25-17 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Youth Committee meeting held on 16th September 2024 were confirmed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.

YC25-18 **Youth Strategy**

MINT youth strategy

A thriving community requires active youth engagement. The MINT strategy—Mentorship, Inclusion, Networking, and Transformation—empowers young people, promoting growth, leadership, and civic participation. It ensures youth voices are heard, skills are developed, and they are involved in parish life.

It was RESOLVED that this strategy be laid before the next Full Council meeting as a recommendation from this committee.

YC25-19 **Community Service Youth Awards**

This was deferred to the next Youth Committee meeting.

YC25-20 **Activity Day**

The Youth Committee RESOLVED to organise a bowling event for up to 30 participants aged 11-16 years. The estimated total cost for the activity is £112.50. Officers will explore the necessary plans and logistics to make this event happen. The exact date is to be confirmed, but it will be during the week from Monday, 26/5, to Friday, 30/5, inclusive.

YC25-21 **Summer Activities**

The committee discussed summer activities and RESOLVED to gather the names of different groups to present at the meeting in April. Additionally, the possibility of an indoor soft play bus was mentioned, and further investigation into this option will be carried out.

YC25-22 **Councillor Engagement with Local Schools**

The committee agreed to restart councillor engagement with schools in the Parish. Contact will be made with Great Western Academy to discuss potential collaboration and plans to reach out to other schools in the future.

YC25-23 **Date of Next Meeting**

The next meetings of the Youth Committee will take place on Monday, 28th April at 7.30 pm and Monday, 9th June, time to be confirmed.

Meeting closed 20:39.

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Chairman