

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON TOWN COUNCIL

VIRTUAL YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

11 November, 2021

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Present:

Youth Councillors:

Kerry Alcock	Lara Richardson
Oli Hughes	Francesca Savidge
Gabriel Gaiser	Alfie Walker
Saul McDougall	Yasmine Yadav
Bianka Pawlowska	

Town Councillors: Gill Cleeve

Clerks: Lisa Cowley

Press: Absent

Public: None

1) Apologies

Apologies were received by Danni Cleeve, Aiden Drinkwater, Eva Key and Kevin Taylor.

2) New Member

New members Gabriel, Lara, Francesca and Yasmin were welcomed, and each gave a brief description of themselves.

3) Election of Youth Town Council Roles

3.1 Chair

An election was determined by written ballot, electronically submitted to the Committee Clerk and it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Kerry Alcock be appointed as Chair of the Youth Town Council for the ensuing year 2021 – 22.

3.1 Deputy Chair

An election was determined by written ballot, electronically submitted to the Committee Clerk and it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Lara Richardson be appointed as Deputy Chair of the Youth Town Council for the ensuing year 2021 – 22.

3.2 Treasurer

An election was determined by written ballot, electronically submitted to the Committee Clerk and it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Alfie Walker be appointed as Treasurer of the Youth Town Council for the ensuing year 2021 – 22.

3.3 Clerk

An election was determined by written ballot, electronically submitted to the Committee Clerk and it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Gabriel Gaiser be appointed as Clerk of the Youth Town Council for the ensuing year 2021 – 22.

3.4 Deputy Treasurer

An election was determined by written ballot, electronically submitted to the Committee Clerk and it was therefore

RESOLVED: That Oli Hughes be appointed as Deputy Treasurer of the Youth Town Council for the ensuing year 2021 – 22.

4) Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5) Public Participation

No one had registered to speak in Public Participation.

6) To Approve Draft Minutes of the Youth Town Council meeting held on 23 September, 2021

RESOLVED: The Draft Minutes of the Youth Town Council meeting held on 23 September, 2021 be approved as a correct record.

7) Youth Town Council Projects for 2021/22

7.1 **Youth Awards**

The Youth Awards have been pencilled in for 24 September, 2022 (this date may change depending on the date of the Stratford-upon-Avon Food Festival in town).

It is thought that this event would take place at the Town Hall and would comprise of an open day (different organisations could have a pitch to display what they do) in the daytime and awards show in the evening with live music from young performers.

It was agreed that a WhatsApp group should be set up to discuss plans for this in more detail and that a list of awards categories should be brought to the next Youth Council meeting.

7.2 **Survey/Questionnaire**

Members discussed the possibility of creating a survey or questionnaire to see what is important to the youth of Stratford-upon-Avon.

It was agreed that rather than relying on written responses alone, it might be beneficial to go out on a weekend to interview young people to get their views.

An example of questions that could be asked are as follows:

- How can Stratford-upon-Avon be improved for young people?

- On a scale of 1 – 10, how much do you feel represented in Members were asked to bring more question ideas to the next meeting.

8) Date of Next Youth Town Council Meeting

Before closing the meeting, the Chair noted a vote of thanks for previous Chair, Aiden, and thanked him for his hard work during the last year.

The next meeting of the Youth Town Council will take place at 5:30pm (members are asked to arrive at 5:15pm for a prompt start at 5:30pm) on Thursday 16 December, 2021. It is hoped that this meeting will take place at the Town Hall.

The Chair declared the virtual meeting closed at 5:58pm.