

STRATFORD-UPON-AVON TOWN COUNCIL

VIRTUAL YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

16 December, 2021

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Present:

Youth Councillors:

Kerry Alcock	Bianka Pawlowska
Oli Hughes	Lara Richardson
Gabriel Gaiser	Francesca Savidge
Saul McDougall	

Town Councillors: Gill Cleeve

Clerks: Lisa Cowley

Press: Absent

Public: None

1) Apologies

Apologies were received by Danni Cleeve, Eva Key, Kevin Taylor, Alfie Walker and Yasmine Yadav

2) Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

3) Public Participation

No one had registered to speak in Public Participation.

4) To Approve Draft Minutes of the Youth Town Council meeting held on 11 November, 2021

RESOLVED: The Draft Minutes of the Youth Town Council meeting held on 11 November, 2021 be approved as a correct record.

5) Youth Awards

- **To come up with a list of categories**

The Youth Awards are expected to take place on Saturday 24 September, 2022 at the Town Hall, and members were tasked with coming up with a list of categories for the different awards.

After a discussion, the following categories were suggested:

- Youth of the Year
- Creative/Artist of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Environmentalist of the Year
- Mental Health Champion of the Year
- Activist of the Year
- Sports Person of the Year
- Animal Friend of the Year
- Young Carer of the Year
- Against All Odds

These categories are not set in stone, and members may wish to review them at a future meeting.

It was agreed that the next meeting should focus on thinking about when we should start asking for nominations and how we go about obtaining these.

6) Youth Survey/Questionnaire

- **To come up with questions to go on the survey**

The following questions were suggested:

- Age range;
- Postcode;
- Gender identity;
- What issues are most important to you?
- What are the main issues in Stratford?
- What would make Stratford more exciting for you?
- How often do you go into town?
- Why do you go into town?
- Which shops do you use in town?
- Which shop is your favourite?
- What type of shops would you like to see in town?

- What is your favourite small business?
- Do you believe Stratford is suitable for youth in terms of activity?
- What activities do you enjoy?
- What activities are missing?
- Which (if any) social media platforms do you use?
- Would you be interested in learning more about the Youth Town Council and possibly joining?

The clerk agreed to create a first draft of this questionnaire and bring it to the next meeting for tweaking.

It is thought that this questionnaire could be introduced in Spring 2022.

7) Date of Next Youth Town Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Youth Town Council will take place on Zoom at 5:30pm (members are asked to arrive at 5:15pm for a prompt start at 5:30pm) on Thursday 27 January, 2021.

The Chair declared the virtual meeting closed at 6:33pm.