



Breckland Youth Advisory Board (YAB)

Minutes of meeting: 02/07/2019

Watton Town Council

In Attendance:

Amber - Young Commissioner
 Andy - Norfolk Constabulary
 Eduarda - Young Commissioner
 Felix - Young Commissioner
 Lauryn - Young Commissioner
 Layney - Young Commissioner
 Louise - Department for Work & Pensions
 Millie - Young Commissioner
 Peter Wilkinson - Breckland District Council
 Zofia - Young Commissioner

Also in attendance:

Lucy - MAP (Minutes)
 Michelle - MAP
 Pat - Watton Town Council
 Sally - MAP
 Sarah - MAP
 Tina - Watton Town Council

Apologies:

Angela - Department for Work & Pensions
 Holly - Norfolk County Council
 Lynne - Norfolk Constabulary
 Mark - Norfolk County Council
 Matthew - Norfolk Constabulary
 Mike - Benjamin Foundation

 Paula - Norfolk Constabulary
 Robin - Norfolk County Council

 Ruth - Norfolk County Council
 Sally - Norfolk County Council
 Sandra - Norfolk County Council
 Simon - Norfolk Constabulary
 Stefan - Breckland District Council
 Stephanie - Norfolk County Council
 Suzanne - Inspiration Trust
 Terry - Norfolk County Council

1.0 Welcome, apologies & Icebreaker	Action
<p>1.1 Michelle gave apologies on behalf of the Chairs - Amy and Percy, who were unable to attend today's meeting due to taking their mock exams. The board meeting will therefore be co-chaired by all Young Commissioners.</p> <p>1.2 As an ice-breaker the board played a game that the Young Commissioners learnt in Dublin, around communication and the acceptance of making mistakes.</p>	
<p>2.0 Previous minutes / Actions</p> <p>2.1 The board reviewed the minutes from the previous minutes and were signed off as being correct, there were no actions to review.</p>	
<p>3.0 YAG Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Commissioners have met with the Director of CAMHS who will be supporting the YAB with the mental health project. • Young Commissioners have met with the Head of Children's Services . • Young Commissioners will be meeting with 'Leaping Hare' over summer to discuss the improvements to the Breckland Youth Directory. 	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Young Commissioners will continue to gather stories about transport issues alongside the other YAB's . 	
<p>4.0 Anti-bullying trip / conference</p> <p>4.1 Eduarda spoke about the World Anti-bullying Conference, which six Young Commissioners from Breckland YAB attended during June, alongside Broadland and West Norfolk YAB's.</p> <p>4.2 YC's attended many workshops and presentations from professionals across the world, and learnt lots of new things about the subject of bullying, such as a researcher who is using virtual reality as a tool to help victims of bullying. Eduarda noted how the YAB's were the only young people present at the conference other than a youth group from Alaska.</p> <p>4.3 The research and information gathered from the World Anti-Bullying conference will be used to create the anti-bullying conference which all YAB's will be running on 7th November in Dereham. Key speakers will be invited to present, and professionals from various sectors will be invited to attend.</p> <p>4.4 Sarah displayed a video created from the Dublin trip.</p>	
<p>5.0 Watton Youth Provision</p> <p>5.1 YC's have continued to work on getting a skate park built as well as a centre for young people to hang out in Watton. Good progress has been made but YC's have now come to a standstill on how to move forward and require help from the town council, who were present at the meeting.</p> <p>5.2 The town council representatives who were present confirmed that they are keen to help fund youth provision in Watton. It was mentioned that they have been working alongside the Benjamin Foundation to get the Watton Youth and Community centre up and running and suggested this building could be used for a place for young people to hang out, however were unable to provide a timescale for it being available as an early years provision will be set up first.</p> <p>5.3 The town council and board further discussed funding streams available to finance the skatepark, such as non-school uniform days and applying for grants. It was also suggested that YC's write a letter to Wayland Council regarding the outstanding 'serge project' money that remains unspent.</p> <p>5.4 Louise suggested communicating the progress on social media to maintain the trust within the community of Watton.</p> <p>5.5 Michelle suggested organising a meeting with the YAB and town council to further discuss how to move forward with these projects.</p> <p>Action: Michelle to arrange meeting with Watton town council / YAB to further discuss skate park / youth centre.</p>	<p>Michelle</p>

<p>6.0 Anti-social behaviour project update</p> <p>6.1 Litcham and Swaffham YAG's have been working together to organise an event to be held in Swaffham centre around the issue of anti-social behaviour, the event is hoped to be held on 2nd August (to be confirmed).</p> <p>6.2 The event aims to tackle the negative stereotyping of young people wearing hoodies, it will also incorporate fundraising for the Forest School in Swaffham which was recently vandalised.</p> <p>6.3 The board discussed different who will be invited to the event, such as MP's and the media.</p>	
<p>7.0 Summer break</p> <p>7.1 A residential trip to PGL, Lincolnshire has been planned in July which YC's from Breckland YAB, West Norfolk YAB and North Norfolk YAB will be attending.</p> <p>7.2 A trip to Parliament has also been arranged, as well as lots of training for YC's throughout summer.</p>	
<p>8.0 AOB</p> <p>8.1 Lucy updated that she has a new role as a Youth Worker on the Broadland Youth Advisory board, a new Administrator is currently being recruited.</p> <p>8.2 The YAB has been approached by Breckland Council asking for the YAB to do a take over day, where the YC's will run the council meeting.</p> <p>8.3 The YAB has a successful meeting at Attleborough town council recently, and have now been invited to have a regular spot at the meetings from now on.</p>	
<p>9.0 Date and venue for next board meeting</p> <p>9.1 The next board meeting will take place in September, the date and venue is to be decided and will be confirmed by email.</p>	
<p>Summary of Actions</p> <p>5.5 Michelle to arrange meeting with Watton town council / YAB to further discuss skate park / youth centre.</p>	Michelle