**Broxbourne Youth Council**

**Minutes**

**19th January 2022**

Cheshunt Young People’s Centre

**Attendees:** Ethan Yardley, Janice Owusu-Appiah, Enrique Pereira Grosso, Adesola Adewale, Betsy Smith, Tate Lambie, Thomas Jennings,Nichantee

**Apologies:** Leon Vaughans, Cindy Long, Imogen Joseph, Dylan Ways

**Facilitators:** Rob Stevenson (Services for Young People), Emma Elsafty (Broxbourne Borough Council) Linton Sutherland Stevenson (Services for Young People)

1. **Welcome & Introductions**
2. **Debate**
* Is Boris Johnson getting rid of plan B too soon?
1. **WTBL Michal and Maddie**

Youth projects from WTBig Local ideas-

* Youth Club split into two sessions
* Rock climbing
* Free high quality spots
* Host a meeting in WTBL? Potential question time venue?
* Cinema club then debate or discussion after
* Something to do with mental health/dealing with social media
* Young people to help teach adults thing like maths/ English/ Languages
* Live music night/ Comedy night
1. **Matters Arising**
* Doodle poll 🡪 changing meeting time from 6-8pm
* Social media 🡪 Instagram posting on community awards at The Spotlight, Twitter to post this week
1. **Environmental Sustainability Meeting**
* Ethan and Betsy went on 18th Jan

Topics on:

* Bees 🡪 south east England not producing honey all of 2021
* Council’s plan on 10 pledges of environmental sustainability 🡪 looking at practicality of the pledges (e.g. Reducing number of car journeys instead of working from home)

We mentioned the beneficial impacts of the youth at council meetings, reflected on the importance of young people at meetings and danger of civic disengagement.

1. **Community Question Time Project**

Potential to host at Wormley Turnford big local (150 people or the smaller room would be 25 people)

 – they have suggested if we would like Charles Walker to come they will help with contacting them.

Maddi from WTBL has connections to Roman Kemp and some other big names in the Borough of Broxbourne and has offered to ask them for us/ give us a connection for us to be able to ask.

List of people we want to invite:

* Sir Charles Walker KBE
* Head teachers of the Borough of Broxbourne
	+ School councils (to come and ask questions)
* Charities involved in mental health (Mind)
* Medical professionals
* Lewis Cocking
* The press
* Gino D’Campo
* Grant Shaps
* Marquis of Salisbury
* Mark Hughes
* Steve Whitlam
* Herts Sports Partnership
* High Sheriff of Herts

Venue 🡪 Wormley Hall

Charity partnerships to come as guests, allowing panel members to prepare their answers

You’re able to contact any Lord (in the House of Lords) 🡪 using this for our benefit could create major traction for our project.

A suitable time for us to contact members listed above is at least 3 months’ notice. 🡪draft an email next session.

1. **AOB**
* Reminder for doodle poll