

Broxbourne Youth Council
Meeting
22nd September 2021
Via Microsoft Teams

Attendees: Lloyd Evans, Adesola Jinadu-Adewale, Ethan Yardley, Enrique Pereira Grosso, Nichantae Boateng

Apologies: Thomas Jennings, Cindy Long, Leon Vaughans, Dylan Ways, Lania Ways

Facilitators: Oliver Brady (Services for Young People) Emma Elsafty (Broxbourne Borough Council)
Rob Stevenson (Services for Young People)

1. Welcome & Introductions

2. Debate

This was postponed until the next meeting.

3. Elections Update

Oliver reminded council members that our elections will take place on the 6th of October and will take place regardless of whether the meeting is online or face to face. Oliver also reminded council members of the process of elections – anyone who wishes to stand for a cabinet position will have to deliver a presentation for two minutes. It does not matter how the candidate does the presentation, it could be a PowerPoint or just a speech, but they must provide something to convince others to vote for them.

Following this, there was a discussion around whether the council should change the cabinet positions. It was decided that because of relatively low numbers at this meeting, this will be reviewed on election night.

Actions: for those who wish to run for Mayor or Deputy Mayor to create a presentation for delivery on the 6th of October.

4. The Coming Term

In short, there were a few different things that were discussed here.

- Joint Litter Pick with Police Cadets Wednesday 29th September.
Broxbourne Youth Council were invited by former Mayor, Chris Bakalis, to complete a joint litter pick with the Police Cadets. This will take place on Wednesday 29th September at 6pm in Grundy Park.
Council members agree this is vital that we participate in this as this is a great opportunity for partnership work and it might increase our numbers at meetings.

- Council members were told by Emma and Oliver that they are trying to arrange a location for the council to meet face to face rather than online. Although nothing is confirmed, this is likely to happen soon, and council members will be updated as soon as it happens.
- Emma has been asked whether Broxbourne Youth Council would like to participate in a Halloween event run by the Police. This will take place during October Half Term in Pound Close Park in Hoddesdon. Council members agree its vital that we attend to spread the word that we exist and potential gather new members.

As a result of the points preceding, it was agreed that this term would have an emphasis on raising the profile of the council.

5. Broxbourne Borough Council Scrutiny Meeting Feedback

Emma, Ethan & Thomas all attended the latest scrutiny meeting. Ethan explained that this is basically where councillors get together to evaluate the success of certain departments of the council. The meeting they attended had an emphasis on the environment. Despite not contributing much, council members said this was a good opportunity to view the day to day running of the council and to strategically align their priorities with ours. As a result of this meeting, we have been invited to attend future scrutiny meetings and councillors also expressed an interest in attending our meetings.

6. AOB

None