

Broxbourne Youth Council Minutes

16 November 2022

Cheshunt Young People's Centre

Attendees: Adesola Jinadu-Adewale, Liam Pledger, Tate Lambie, Enrique Pereira-Grosso, Ethan Yardley

Apologies : Ethan Yardley, Jamelia Weg-Nour, Keira Moles, Jake Reece,

Facilitators: Emma Elsafty (Broxbourne Borough Council), Linton Sutherland and Natasha Morgan (Services for Young People)

Joint meeting Welwyn Hatfield and Broxbourne Youth Council

Spoke about the events we have put on including Community Question time that we have recently won two awards from Herts County Council and the Police Cadets

Welwyn Hatfield were slightly different to Broxbourne Youth Council. They decided to work on four agendas per year which include environment and mental health for the current year.

Welwyn Hatfield Youth Council helped to plan the Welwyn Council Youth Awards which was a successful way to celebrate young people. Also, youth council member presented the awards

Welwyn and Hatfield asked a few questions

Do we all have separate jobs?

We disbanded a few roles as we were all involved but have kept a few such as Youth Mayor/Deputy Mayor and we also have an environmental officer and a Communications Officer.

Although Welwyn Hatfield Youth Council do not have specific roles they do hold elections similar to us and create a power point and then decide who is chair and deputy chair.

Tell me more about question time?

The money came from a feeling good week grant that you can get up to £500 for and we used that money on the mental health community question time.

Had a raffle to get young people to the centre to take part and offered gift cards as an incentive to come. *We have a recording of it if it's something that the council want to see if they would like to do a similar event*

How do you decide what to do?

We look at the services for young people survey and see the top five priority's and work from there.

What are BYC currently working on?

Looking at doing something with the cost of living crisis during the winter and then hopefully creating a bigger community question time with other youth councils such as Stevenage and Welwyn

All are on board for helping

How many members do you guys have?

Broxbourne -8 regular members.

Welwyn- losing members due to exams but hopefully it will pick back up One of the priorities for Welwyn is youth representation and trying to raise their profile with people such as county council and the borough council.

Ethan suggested trying to join the youth strategy groups and contacting Mark Hughes and Russel

Welwyn Looking to do a parliament trip next year and so are we so maybe we can look to do the trip together We could also look at doing a joint project with the police commissioner bid Linton to set that up

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The youth council have been shortlisted for another award from the children services awards in Stevenage on the 8th of December.