

SPELTHORNE

YOUTH COUNCIL

22 NOVEMBER 2005

Held at Spelthorne Youth Arts Centre, Wyatt Road, Staines

PRESENT:

Lindsey Aldridge	Georgia-Lee Brown	Richard Leadbeater
Anthony Appleyard	Sukhveer Ghosal	Simon Mihailovic
Daniel Appleyard	Daniel Gilbert	Grace Millard
Jon Bateson	Ryan Hill	Jessica Pellengell-Cooper
Jason Bird	Lawrence Heaney	Tom Perman
Adam Brimacombe	Grant Howell	

Apologies: George Boulton, Stephen Eldridge, Emma Fuller and Graham Neville

In attendance:

Gavin Kitchen - SCC Youth Development Worker

Vikki Radford - Borough Youth Officer

Trevor Baker - Senior Committee Manager

78/05 INTRODUCTION

Gav introduced himself and welcomed everyone to the meeting of the new Youth Council, particularly those who were attending their first meeting and he hoped they would enjoy it. This was a fresh start and we were trying a new venue at the Youth Arts Centre to see what effect it had on the meetings. Next month the Youth Council meeting would be held at the Council Offices and Youth Councillors would be able to compare the two places.

This year attendance at meetings would be voluntary as the voucher paid for attendance had been dropped.

There would be much less talking and more projects for people to get involved with and it would be up to Youth Councillors to get involved and see them through.

He then organised an "ice breaker" game so that everyone could get to know each others' name.

79/05



Gav recalled that a Surrey-wide event to learn about Democracy had been held at the H G Wells Centre, Woking last year. It had been attended by some of the Youth Councillors here today and involved working with Youth Councillors from the other 11 Surrey Districts.

This year there would be a similar day at Epsom on Thursday 15 December. A coach would leave Spelthorne Council Offices at 8.15am returning about 4.30p.m. Lunch would be provided.

He gave out a pack of 3 letters. Youth Councillors would have to get consent from their Head of Year and parents and let Vikki know as soon as possible if they wished to go or if there were any problems.

No one would be allowed on the coach without a consent form.

There were 17 volunteers and officially only 10 places available but as Woking was not attending SPYC could use their places.

80/05



Gav reported that professional door staff were being used at the Youth Café for added security for young people entering the premises. It was also hoped to get some money for dance mats.

81/05



Access to Gasoline building would be available from next Monday. Publicity was not yet ready. It would probably open Monday 5 December.

Gav said that it would not work if there were not enough people going. He urged YCs to tell their mates.

82/05



Vikki outlined a number of projects which YCs could do in small groups with a YC leader elected by the group who would be responsible for the group and making sure that the project got done.

- short film on issues which affect young people
- transport - travel for young people
- A to Z of services for young people
- Youth Bulletin - write and produce for every household in Spelthorne
- Recycling
- Pool Event - At Rileys, learn how to play Pool during school holidays and hold Spelthorne Schools competition
- Web site
- Youth Awards
- Skate

Vikki asked YCs to choose projects they wanted to do which included looking at funding and sponsorship.

YCs **AGREED** to do the following projects

Film
Bulletin
Youth Awards
Web site
Pool event

83/05



No interrupting each other
Respect for each other and their views and opinions
Mobiles switched off during YC meetings
No bullying or comments
Chair and Vice-Chair to be responsible for discipline at YC meetings

If a YC misses 3 meetings without sending an apology they will be sent a warning letter and be removed from mailing list

It was suggested and **AGREED** that for the election of a Chair and Vice-Chair and Surrey Youth Parliament representatives that all adults would leave the room and leave the running and discipline of the meeting to YCs.

84/05



**ELECT CHAIR &
VICE-CHAIR**

Simon Mihailovic was elected Chair and Adam Brimacombe, Vice-Chair
It was also **AGREED** that the Chair and Vice-Chair would share in the running of the YC but that Project Leaders would run their own groups.

85/05



**SURREY YOUTH
PARLIAMENT**

Daniel and Anthony Appleyard were elected as Surrey Youth Parliament representatives from Spelthorne.

86/05



**NEXT
MEETING**

A date and time for the next SPYC meeting would be sent to YCs.