



Minutes of a meeting of the Chippenham Youth Council held in the Mayor's Parlour, on Tuesday 03 September 2024 at 4.45 pm.

Youth Councillors Present:

Six Youth Councillors were present

Officers Present:

Heather Rae, Head of Democratic Services
Harriet Peacock, Marketing Officer
Sadie Klos, Democratic Services Officer

1	<u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u> There were no apologies for absence.
2	<u>ELECTION OF THE CHAIR</u> Youth Councillors discussed the role of the Chair and those wishing to stand for the position presented their case for doing so. With the majority in favour, it was; <u>RESOLVED that:</u> TB be elected as the Chair of the Youth Council for the first half of the year 2024/25 and CK be elected as the Chair of the Youth Council for the second half of the year 2024/25.
3	<u>ELECTION OF THE VICE CHAIR</u> Youth Councillors discussed the role of the Vice Chair and those wishing to stand for the position presented their case for doing so. With the majority in favour, it was; <u>RESOLVED that:</u> AB be elected as the Vice Chair of the Youth Council for the first six months of the year 2024/25 so that CK can Chair an election when they begin their term.
4	<u>UPDATES FROM THE YOUTH COUNCILLORS</u> Youth Councillors updated as to what issues they would like to focus on for

	the 2024/25 year.
5	<u>UPDATES FROM THE TOWN COUNCIL</u> Officers updated the Youth Council on the business that the Town Council had been involved in during the summer months. Specifically i) The election and induction of a new Town Council Member, Councillor Claire Robinson ii) Submissions for the Photography Competition. Youth Councillors discussed what to do in case there aren't enough submissions by the competition deadline.
6	<u>MP INVITATION RESPONSE</u> The Democratic Services Officer updated the Youth Council on the response from the MP regarding the invitation for Democracy Week. It was noted that although the MP sent her apologies for Democracy Week, she would like to virtually attend a future Youth Council Meeting.
7	<u>VISIT FROM GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL</u> Youth Councillors considered the request from Glastonbury Town Council to attend a future Youth Council Meeting. With all in favour, it was; <u>RESOLVED that:</u> Glastonbury would be invited to attend a future Youth Council Meeting provided that it was not the same meeting the MP would be attending.
8	<u>DRAFT QUESTIONS FOR DEMOCRACY WEEK</u> Youth Councillors considered a list of questions to be asked during the Democracy Week activity provided by the Democratic Services Officer. Youth Councillors were also encouraged to come up with questions of their own.
9	<u>OBJECTIVES & STRUCTURE FOR THE YEAR AHEAD</u> Youth Councillors discussed what issues, events, and activities they would like to focus on in the 2024/25 year. Specifically: • Focus on littering • Focus on illegal vapes and smoking • Organize a litter pick • Organize a charity event • Invite guest speakers to come and speak on focus issues • Have discussion weeks and action weeks

	Organize an awareness campaign or protest
10	<u>SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE & ITEMS FOR COMMUNICATION</u> The Marketing Officer updated the Youth Council on their and the Town Council's social media outreach. More effective platforms for the Youth Council's social outreach were discussed. It was agreed that posts about the Youth Council should be made on the Town Council's socials and that the Youth Council would be tagged.
11	<u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u> The next meeting of the Youth Council is due to take place on Tuesday 08 October 2024.

The meeting concluded at 5:55pm

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting

Signed on behalf of the Committee as a true record of the meeting

Chair:

Date: