

Broxbourne Youth Council Minutes

9 July (Week 10/10)

Participants: Youth Major Havana Marshall, Recruitment Officer Tej Nundah, Environmental Officer Sidney Twum, Thomas Vaciago, Darcey Moore, Grace Watts, Blake Webb, Isla Kayaga, Liberti Kenny

Facilitators: Linton Sutherland (Services for Young People), Alessandro Principato (Broxbourne Borough Council)

Minutes by Alessandro Principato

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Youth Council introduced themselves and completed 'My Star' sheets.

2. Elections

Havana encouraged all members to consider running for any of the positions, including standing against her for the role of Youth Mayor. The group talked about the different roles and whether some of them should be changed for next year. There were questions about certain positions, and members discussed introducing a Mental Health Officer role, including what the responsibilities might look like.

It was suggested that the Mental Health Officer could replace the Environmental Officer role, as this position has been seen as less effective.

Havana also mentioned that if she isn't re-elected as Youth Mayor, she would pass on her contacts to whoever takes on the role. She encouraged everyone to attend events, as they're a great chance to network and build connections.

3. Youth Parliament

Linton informed the group that the Youth Parliament information meeting with Danny Brown will take place on 16 July at 7:15 pm. The links to join will be shared soon, and members are encouraged to take part in this fantastic opportunity. The invitation has also been extended to other local Youth Councils.

4. Reflections

The group took some time to reflect on the past 10 weeks of Youth Council meetings. They suggested having shorter, more realistic agendas to help everyone focus better on fewer topics instead of feeling rushed.

There was also a discussion about sharing responsibilities more evenly, including encouraging different members to attend events rather than relying on the same people each time.

Additionally, the group agreed that holding more debates as icebreaker activities would be a great way to get everyone engaged.

5. AOB

None at this moment in time.