

# **Broxbourne Youth Council Minutes**

**4 June (week 5/10)**

**Participants:** Youth Mayor Havana Marshall, Deputy Youth Major Kaitlin Hussey, Recruitment Officer Tej Nundah, , Liberti Kenny, Anastasia Filimonova, Darcey Moore, Zoe Watts, Grace Watts, Sidney Twum, Bradley Pumfrett, Blake Webb

**Facilitators:** Linton Sutherland, Mike Warby (Services for Young People)  
Alessandro Principato (Broxbourne Borough Council)  
Minutes by Linton Sutherland

## **1. Welcome and introductions**

The Youth Council introduced themselves and participated in an ice breaker activity.

## **2. LMD (Linguistic Mayor's Debate)**

### **i. Event Participation**

- It was confirmed that three schools have expressed interest in participating in the LMD event.

### **ii. Judging Criteria and Panel Concerns**

- Questions were raised regarding who would judge the event.
- The Youth Council discussed potential judging criteria, suggesting the following:
  - **Fluency** of presenters
  - **Understanding of the topic**
  - **Pronunciation** accuracy

### **iii. Submission of Presentation Materials**

- Schools are required to submit any PowerPoint or digital media they intend to use during their presentations.
- Submissions must be delivered to the Youth Council at least 24 hours in advance to allow adequate set-up time before the event.

## **Action Items**

- **Determine and Appoint Judges:** The council will identify potential judges and finalize their roles regarding the event.
- **Finalize Judging Criteria:** Further review and confirmation of the proposed criteria (fluency, understanding, and pronunciation) are needed.
- **Communicate Submission Guidelines:** A formal notice will be sent to the participating schools outlining the digital media submission requirement and the 24-hour deadline.

## **Next Steps**

- Schedule a follow-up meeting to review progress on assigning judges and finalizing the judging criteria.
- Confirm communication plans with the schools regarding presentation submissions.

### 3. Mental Health

The youth council discuss the SNG #iWill bid opportunity and what could be achieved through social action.

Linton shared ['Wellbeing Champions Pack'](#) which is an opportunity to gain funding of up to £10,000 for projects starting in September.

**Projects eligible for this funding must:**

- Involve young people aged 10-20-years-old
- Cost a maximum of £10,000, unless other funding already secured
- Be delivered between 1 September 2025 and 31 May 2026.
- Be youth-led, for example by giving young people choices and the ability to decide what to do as part of the project.
- Offer new opportunities for young people to engage in youth social action.
- Give young people the opportunity to learn new skills and develop their potential and confidence

The group agreed to move forward with applying for funding with the closing date being 12 June and discussed how to apply.

In two separate groups, the group discussed ideas of projects they'd like to deliver using the funding, these ideas included...

- Youth crisis line
- Youth mentoring
- Weekly / fortnightly social events
- Health Walks with food/snacks
- Improved pastoral care
- Support hubs with professionals attending
- Academic stress management
- Cooking Classes

### 4. Anti-Vaping Campaign Discussion

- The Youth Council expressed that they enjoyed being involved in the anti-vaping campaign and are interested in knowing whether Jo and Rushma will be returning as consultants.
- It was decided that Linton will reach out to Jo and Rushma to inquire about the current status of the campaign development.

**5. Environment and litter picking**

The youth council will decide when their next litter pick will be in the up-and-coming meetings.

**6. AOB**

None