

Broxbourne Youth Council Minutes

4 March 2026 (Week 6/10)

Participants: Youth Mayor Havana Marshall, Deputy Youth Mayor Tej Nundah, Recruitment Officer Ayla Kayaga, Health Officer Anastasia Filimonova, Liberti Kenny, Ayan Maradia, Edward Odulaja, Scarlett Robertson, Declan Twum, Grace Watts, Thomas Vaciago

Guest: Jada Palmer (Maximus UK)

Facilitators: Linton Sutherland, Natasha Morgan (Services for Young People)

Apologies: 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. Guest Speaker – Jada Palmer (Maximus UK)

Jada delivered an interactive session about managing exam stress and goal setting. The session included the importance of a healthy diet, managing positive emotional wellbeing and how to stay motivated.

The delivery style was inclusive and discussion based, allowing the Youth Council to explore their own experience of managing stress and goal setting as well as learning about their peers. The Youth Council reflected on the session and felt it was very useful and enjoyable.

3. Generation Broxbourne

Havana has introduced Generation Broxbourne which is a skills fare scheduled for Tuesday 17 March from 9.30pm – 5pm at The Spotlight, High Street, Hoddesdon, EN11 8BE.

School will be arriving from around 9.30am onwards with 9 schools at timeslots throughout the day. There will be a range of employers attending this event, including staffs hosted by SfYP (Services for Young People).

At 3.30pm – 5pm, there will be twilight session which has around 200 people signed up, this will include young people and their parents, as well as some of the local home educated community, and some Step2Skills supported clients.

These individuals may be older learners who are currently facing barrers to work and are being supported to re-enter employment, training, or skills development. Some youth councillors will be attending with their prospective schools.

4. Local and International News

Introduced by Havana, the Youth Council reflected on local and international news that impacts the political landscape.

- Green Party Denton and Gorton by election.
- US and Iran Conflict
- LGR Broxbourne Council (Local Government Reorganisation)

The Youth Council felt they would benefit from having a session about democracy and Government political parties.

Action: Linton to explore delivery on democracy and Government political parties.

5. AOB

Linton will be delivering a school pop-up at St Mary's High School to promote the Broxbourne Youth Council and wider youth offer. He asked the Youth Council if there is any particular aspect of the Broxbourne Youth Council they'd like promoted / delivered.