

## Youth Council Meeting – Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> June

Apologies  
Jack Hardy

### 1. Minutes from the last meeting on 6<sup>th</sup> May

The Minutes from the May meeting had no issues raised.

### 2. Constitution amendments

The proposal to Change the Constitution was granted and the amendments were explained to all youth councillors who attended. Thank You to Matty Yallop for amending them.

### 3. Tower Square design consultation

Youth Councillors all had a vote on the two final designs for the Mosaic that will be in the new Tower Square Garden.

### 4. Redevelopment of Allandale Youth Centre Plans

#### Consultation

Shelley Maxfield Presented three ideas about how the Allandale Youth centre could be improved if the money is supplied by the County Council.

### 5. End of year celebration

a) The Certificate presentation will be in the Town Hall on the 8<sup>th</sup> July At 4.00pm. First the Youth Councillors will talk about what went well and what didn't go so well this year for an hour then at 5.00pm Parents/Guardians are welcome to come along to the presentation.

b) There was one more proposal given to the Town council and that was for all Youth Councillors to go to Laser Tag. This was granted and we are hoping to go on the 11<sup>th</sup> July but that date is **NOT** confirmed. The drive there will be about one hour and there will be a free drink and burger included.

## **6. Group discussions**

a) We did not Split into groups because it was decided that improvements for Carterton was not to be discussed because this year we haven't got time to complete anything.

The only improvement discussed was 'Street lights on Carterton Road' because we have had responses from the letter we sent off to get some street lights. The first letter was to say that the proposal had been sent to a different department. The second letter said that they weren't sure where about we were talking about because there are a few lights on Carterton road. Also they do not have the funding to put any more lights up only funding to repair or replace any street lights. And the more lights put up the more greenhouse gases are given off.

### **b) The Youth Council website**

We decided that we would have a web designer to come in and teach some youth councillors how to create and update the website. Also we decided to have a competition for the Youth of Carterton to design the logo for the youth council. This will all be given to next years Youth Council for then to organise because if we had a sub-committee now and then at the end of the year some of the councillors in that committee might have left.

We talked about what we like to have on the website:

- Our Aims
- Profiles of the youth councillors including a photo of each councillor
- A calendar of meetings and agendas
- A comments forum
- Youth Councillors email addresses
- Secure login part for all private business
- A list of clubs and activities
- Competitions for example most funniest picture taken by a young person
- Suggestions section for ideas

The website will be a Stand alone website with links to and from the town council website.

**It was asked that all Youth councillors tried to find at least one web designer in Oxfordshire. Including how much it would cost to create a stand alone website. (roughly)**

Madam Mayor brought to attention that there will be Children from Russia coming to England for a month. This is because about 20 years ago there was a nuclear explosion and the radiation is still in the air and soil today. This means that the people living there have a lower life expectancy than in England. If they were to breathe non-contaminated and eat non-contaminated food for a month then the children's lives will on average be extended by two years.

The Youth Council decided to join in with collecting old decent clothes (preferable for winter but all clothes will make a huge difference) and toothbrushes etc. But **not** money because it will just be taken away from them when they went home. A letter will be written to all schools in Carterton and to the women's institute, St Johns Church, Scouts and Guides to explain the event and ask for their support. The Children arrive on the 16<sup>th</sup> July and are here for one month. The collection will be at the Allandale on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> August. Please spread the word.

## **7. Feedback**

Because we didn't split into groups there was no feedback so instead Youth Councillors had a tour around the Allandale.

Matty Yallop  
Secretary