ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD TOWN COUNCIL

ELSTREE AND BOREHAMWOOD YOUTH COUNCIL

MINUTES for the meeting held on Wednesday 30 April 2008 at Fairway Hall, Brook Close, Borehamwood, starting at 6.30pm

PRESENT: Youth Councillors:

Anna Leyden - (Chair) Megan DeMeo Lisa Gaitely Katy Holmes Crystal McDaid Jade O'Brian Tove Pearce Kirsty Potter Claire Turton Alex Walker James Walker Louise Wilkinson

Officer

Carrie Lloyd – Town Clerk

1. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Seeta Mepani Youth & Projects Officer, Hertsmere Borough Council, Penny Swallow, Natasha Blakesey & Oliver Bassil. Best wishes for a speedy recovery were sent to Natasha. Congratulations were sent to Fiona Paul on the birth of her baby.

2. MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 5 MARCH 2008

The Minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2008 were received and signed as a correct record,

3. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 5 MARCH 2008

- **a. INTERACTIVE MEETING WITH AUTHOR** Members noted the latest publicity circulated and hoped that the filming would soon take place.
- **b. BE THERE DO IT!** The Secretary advised that the Borough Council would look at providing transport to late night events in future.
- **c. TWIN TOWN ASSOCIATION** A meeting had not yet been held. The Chair was still trying to contact Steve Madden, Youth participation Officer for the Youth Opportunity Fund and Cllr P. Swallow.

Action: Chair

d. SKATEPARK SUPERVISION – Members noted that despite the reply from Hertsmere Borough Council supervision over the Easter holiday appeared to be sporadic and not high visibility. The Secretary undertook to advise Hertsmere of the Council's concerns.

Action: Secretary

e. **UNDERPASS AT OAKLANDS AND GRAFFITI ART** – Members noted the response and requested the Secretary to follow the issue up with Hertsmere Waste Services.

Action: Secretary

- f. **YOUTH COUNCIL INITIATIVES** The Secretary advised that Hertsmere Borough Council's Community and Parks Departments were considering the Youth Council's suggestions but had advised that funding would be is a big problem.
- **g.** THE LIST The sub group would meet at the Chair's house on Sunday 1st June at 6.30pm or 7pm.
- h. YOUTH ADVOCATES The Chair advised that she was waiting for more information.
- i. **FUND RAISING** The Chair advised that she was unlikely to be going on the trip to Uganda in 2009.
- j. FREESTYLE MUSIC FESTIVAL It was noted that some very good bands had been selected for 20 July.
- k. FESTIVAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE It was noted that the last meeting of the Entertainments Committee had decided not to charge for the attractions at Families Day. Members had not known about this meeting but requested that they be invited to the next meeting of the Festival Advisory Committee on 3 June.

Action: Secretary

- I. YOUTH PARLIAMENT MEMBER Megan DeMeo was welcomed to the meeting.
- m. PUBLICITY It was agreed that the Chair, Vice-Chair and another Member would set up a hotmail account, Facebook page and MySpace page for the Youth Council. The Sub Group would consider content for the web pages at the meeting on 1st June. The Council would be considering the future of its website in due course including the additional £100 required by the current provider to create a Youth Council page.

Action: Secretary

n. ALLEYWAYS – The Secretary advised that Hertsmere Borough Council required details of exact locations. It cost £1,000 to put up a new lamppost but Members suggested that getting the existing ones lit would help greatly. The secretary undertook to follow this up.

Action: Secretary

o. TOMMY'S CAMPAIGN – The event would take place sometime in mid-July. Crystal McDaid undertook to circulate details of the website.

Action: Crystal McDaid

p. FREE COMPUTER – As Claire Turton was unable to accept the computer it was agreed that it should go to Anna Leyden.

Action: Secretary

q. HERTSWOODSTOCK – This would be held on in July.

4. **REPORT OF THE SECRETARY**

Members noted the cost of T-Shirts and requested that a selection of small and medium shirts be purchased in black with white lettering on the back and left front.

Action: Secretary

5. REPORT OF THE CHAIR AND OUTSIDE BODIES

- a. YOUTH SHADOW BOARD The Chair had not been able to attend the last meeting of the Youth Shadow Board.
- **b.** WATFORD YOUTH COUNCIL The Chair had not yet discussed setting up a meeting with the person responsible for Watford Youth Council. The Secretary was still trying to follow up the accreditation scheme.

Action: Chair & Secretary

OUTSIDE BODIES

a. 4 PARKS MEETING – Claire Turton had attended the meeting which had advised of a new sign at Aberford Park and graffitti cleaning at Meadow Park.
Action: Secretary & Crystal

6. TO CONSIDER ANY MATTERS ARISING AT THE DISCRETION OF THE CHAIR

There were no matters.

7. DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 1st July 2008 at 6.30pm.

Date:

CHAIR