

Elstree and Borehamwood Youth Town Council

Meeting Minutes Wednesday 1st September 2010 18.30 – 20.30

Staff Present: Cllr Penny Swallow, Marva Benjamin-Cole, Kali Birchley

Young people present: James Walker (Chair), Alex Walker, Claire Turton, Emilia Walker

1. Apologies; received from Ash Tadjrishi

- **2. Minutes signed and confirmed.** Cllr Penny swallow has taken the signed copy.
- **3. Matters Arising**; James Walker email young people that were met on the Emergency Services day inviting them to the August Gig Night; but no young people replied.

James Walker gave an account of the August Gig Night, commenting; 15 paid guests attended the event, (Cllr Penny Swallow commented that for the Youth Council's first event this was successful). James went onto inform the meeting attendee's that; there were 4 security staff, issues with smoking, no problems at the gig.

All the bands pulled out a couple of days before the gig and Megan DeMeo managed to get 3 new bands to come and play. Young people who attended the gig said they had a good night – but commented that there could have been more young people at the event.

James Walker, Megan DeMeo and Ollie Bassil did all the planning and preparation for the event. James Walker also commented that Youth Connexions Hertfordshire and young people all wore appropriate clothing.

James Walker informed that meeting attendees that Megan DeMeo contacted the press – but has not heard back. James Walker will speak to Megan DeMeo to find out where we are with the press release.

James Walker continued to comment that the equipment for sound and lighting did not arrive till 17.30 leaving things to be very rushed.

- 4. No report for the secretary.
- **5. Reports from outside bodies:** James Walker went to a festival committee meeting and he found out about the transition to a new committee.

Ideas for future events as discussed included; car boot, car wash, Christmas event with a DJ but also something else to attract young people – with an aim to increase membership. James Walker will look at costings and options for Youth Council Merchandise and report back at the next meeting. Suggested criteria for the December event included cheesy music, karaoke, increase membership and fun. "X-mas Factor".

Suggested date for the event to take place is on the Friday night the young people break up (Friday 17th December 2010).

James Walker to look at venues.

Kali Birchley to see if Aberford Park could be made available.

Kali Birchley to find out about suggested 3 hour studio session prize (First).

Emilia Walker to look at karaoke DJs – availability and costings.

Cllr Penny Swallow to look at what budget is left.

James Walker and Claire Turton to look at merchandise.

Meeting closed at 19.30