



Minutes of a meeting of the Chippenham Youth Council held in the Mayors Parlour, on Tuesday 17 October 2023 at 17:45 pm.

Youth Councillors Present:

Seven Youth Councillors were present

Officers Present:

Alex Cooper (AC), Democratic Services Officer

Lynsey Nichols (LN), Head of Communications & Customer Services

9	<p><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></p> <p>There were apologies from one Youth Councillor</p>
10	<p><u>VAPING INFORMATION</u></p> <p>Youth Councillors received and considered information related to vaping, particularly amongst young people. Youth Councillors discussed their feelings on the topic and the views that they might wish to communicate publicly.</p>
11	<p><u>RENTAL BIKES INFORMATION</u></p> <p>Youth Councillors received and considered information related to cycle hire and bike rental schemes, which they had requested at their meeting in September.</p> <p>Youth Councillors considered the benefits of a cycle hire scheme for a town, particularly if it were to be located near to the train station.</p>
12	<p><u>YELLOWFISH CAMPAIGN</u></p> <p>Youth Councillors considered whether they wished to become involved with Bristol Avon River Trust's Yellowfish Campaign, which aims to highlight issues surrounding water pollution.</p> <p>Bristol Avon River Trust will be contacted to confirm that the Youth Council expressed their interest in taking part and any response will be consulted with the Youth Council.</p>

13	<p><u>SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE</u></p> <p>Youth Councillors considered an update from the Head of Communications and Customer Services regarding the Youth Council’s social media presence, on Instagram specifically. Youth Councillors agreed to participate in generating content for the page, which they thought was helpful for them to have as a group.</p>
14	<p><u>MAYOR'S BOOK & BAKE SALE</u></p> <p>Youth Councillors noted the date and time of the Mayor of Chippenham’s charity book and bake sale.</p>
15	<p><u>UPDATES FROM YOUTH COUNCILLORS</u></p> <p>Youth Councillors who wished to update their fellow members on anything that they were involved with, or had planned, did so.</p>
16	<p><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></p> <p>The next meeting of the Youth Council is due to take place on Tuesday 14 November 2023.</p>

The meeting concluded at 5.45 pm

These minutes are subject to confirmation at the next meeting

Signed on behalf of the Committee as a true record of the meeting

Chair:

Date: