



Minutes of a meeting of the Chippenham Youth Council held in the Town Hall on Tuesday 16 January 2024 at 4.45 pm.

**Youth Councillors Present:**

Six Youth Councillors were present

**Officers Present:**

Heather Rae (HR), Head of Democratic Services  
Alex Cooper (AC), Democratic Services Officer

5	<p><b><u>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</u></b></p> <p>There were no apologies for absence.</p>
6	<p><b><u>CLIMATE STRATEGY UPDATE</u></b></p> <p>Youth Councillors received an update from the Climate and Biodiversity Officer regarding the Town Council's Climate Strategy. Youth Councillors engaged in a Q&amp;A session with the Climate and Biodiversity Officer.</p>
7	<p><b><u>POLICE UPDATE</u></b></p> <p>Youth Councillors received an update from Chippenham's neighbourhood policing team, which had first been presented to the full Town Council on 10 January 2024.</p>
8	<p><b><u>STREET NAMING CONSULTED WITH THE YOUTH COUNCIL</u></b></p> <p>Youth Councillors considered a request from the Town Council's Planning, Environment and Transport Committee to suggest some street naming themes that the Town Council might refer to when consulted on the naming of streets in the future.</p> <p>Youth Councillors suggested that bird names, the names of flowers, berries and other fruits might be appropriate.</p>
9	<p><b><u>TEEN TAKEOVER PLANNING</u></b></p> <p>Youth Councillors considered the upcoming Teen Takeover event and engaged in further planning for the day.</p> <p>The Youth Council suggested that a wildlife photography book might be one suitable prize for the photography competition.</p>

	Youth Councillors suggested that the photo competition require a submission of one photo on the theme of the natural world in Chippenham.
10	<b><u>UPDATES FROM YOUTH COUNCILLORS</u></b> There were no updates from Youth Councillors.
11	<b><u>SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE &amp; ITEMS FOR COMMUNICATION</u></b> The Youth Council will communicate the details of the Teen Takeover event when appropriate.
12	<b><u>DATE OF NEXT MEETING</u></b> The next meeting of the Youth Council is due to take place on Tuesday 20 February 2024.

The meeting concluded at 5:30pm

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: