

Minutes of a meeting of the Aylesbury Youth Town Council (AYTC) held on Monday 20 May, 2024, in the Council Chamber, Aylesbury Town Hall, 5 Church Street, Aylesbury, HP20 2QP at 4pm

AYTC Councillors Present: Conor Walsh, Chidum Eke, Anjali Kumar

Officer Present: AYTC Clerk; Emily Campbell

1. Apologies for absence

Apologies received from Cllr Nowak and Cllr Leung.

2. Minutes

Resolved: The Youth Town Council unanimously agreed to accept the minutes of 24 April 2024 as a true record.

3. Matters arising

Cllr Walsh shared an update regarding Parklife weekend, announcing Pride in the Park delivered by a local charity on Friday 23 August and suggested an opportunity for AYTC representatives to volunteer.

AYTC Clerk reported that a meeting to explore social media and communication methods and protocols had been scheduled with the Comms Officer. A further update will be provided at the next meeting.

4. Fundraising for the Mayor's Charity

PACE Centre is this year's Mayoral charity, the clerk gave brief background information regarding the charity. A representative from PACE is scheduled to attend June's meeting to provide a Q&A session for AYTC.

Clerk reported that the Mayor's charity tea & coffee stall at Parklife will be staffed by Councillors and PACE volunteers. Members agreed that they would be better utilised to deliver the glitter stall. A working party will be agreed at the next meeting to review the glitter stall offer, including donation structures and AYTC branding.

Discussions were had on how to actively raise funds and awareness within a variety of settings, noting that previous school engagement attempts could be improved.

Discussion points:

- Dress-down/mufti day identified as an option to engage schools in fundraising activities.
- Recognition of a need for subtle dress down options (hats, socks, accessories) to engage schools with stricter uniform guidance.
- Importance of raising awareness within fundraising activities to demonstrate legitimacy of campaign.
- AYTC collaboration with PACE to produce informational video and evidence PACE's backing of campaign.
- Further discussion with PACE to understand implications of suggestions.

AYTC plans to deliver another tea & coffee stall to raise funds for the Mayor's charity, intended for the autumn.

Discussion points:

- Permission to deliver the stall was difficult to obtain from the market management team.
- Outside venue resulted in unwelcoming environment (cold/wet).
- Cllrs asked the Clerk to assist in exploring alternative delivery venues.
- Volunteers were difficult to coordinate.
- Members discussed reviewing delivery times and potentially expanding delivery over two days for shorter periods of time.

Cllr Kumar proposed, and Cllr Eke seconded, a fundraising target of £1,000 before May 2025.

Resolved: AYTC unanimously agreed to the above proposal.

Cllr Walsh proposed, and Cllr Eke seconded, to explore alternative delivery venues for the fundraising tea & coffee stall. **Resolved:** AYTC unanimously agreed to the above proposal.

5. Upcoming volunteer opportunities

Clerk shared volunteering opportunities at Soapbox Derby, Aylesbury on Sea, Parklife weekend, and Heritage Open Days. Members requested a full list of opportunities at the next AYTC meeting for members to opt-in. Clerk advised that events officers would be attending the next meeting.

6. AYTC Ambassador role

Members reviewed the proposal and requested the removal of the term "actively" from the promotion responsibilities due to clarity regarding time commitments for the role, prior to submission to communities committee.

Resolved: AYTC unanimously agreed to the above proposal.

7. Date for August meeting

Cllrs discussed and agreed Thursday 29 August, 2024 for the August monthly meeting.

8. Date of next meeting The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 25 June, 2024 at 4pm.

Signed:	Date:
Aylesbury Youth Town Council Representative	