



North Tyneside Council

# Minutes

Meeting: **Youth Council**

**Present:** Young Mayor Amelie Ferris Chair (YMAF)  
Young Cabinet Member for Environment  
Abi Tang (AT)  
Young Cabinet Member for Anti-Bullying  
William Beattie (WB)  
Young Cabinet Member for Ready for Life  
Abigail Akinyemi (AAK)  
Beth Hargreaves (BH)  
Daniel Swabey (DS)  
Lily Hanson (LH)  
Suzie McKenzie (SMc)  
Hannah McKenzie (HMc)  
Max Godfrey (MGo)  
Daniel McTiernan (DMc)  
Adam Tang (Ata)  
Ela Nicholson (EN)  
Connor Burn (CB)  
Alexander Cosgrave (AC)  
Sam Rathbone (SR)

**In Attendance**

Support Staff  
Claire Emmerson CE (part of meeting)  
Julia Bradwell (JB) Anne Grimes (AG)

**Location** Council Chambers 4.01

**Date:** Monday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2020

**CC:** **Apologies**

Member of UKYP Oscar Daniel  
(MYPOD)  
Deputy Young Mayor Kody  
Walker (KoW)  
Young Cabinet Member for  
Health & Wellbeing Hannah  
McKeran -Clarke (HMC)  
Dylan Liakris Sparkes (DLS)  
Bakhita Joseph (BJ)  
Harley Doyle Davies (HDD)  
Tom Reid (TR)  
Karly Walker (KW)  
Poppy Chaplin (PC)

**Minutes of Last Meetings:** Agreed

**Matters arising:** None

**Young Carers Update,** no update given.

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- **Budget Consultation**, CE visited the meeting to explain to Youth Councillors, the North Tyneside Council proposal for the budget 2020-21. Youth Councillors asked questions and were pleased to be able to contribute. The full adult council meeting is on 20<sup>th</sup> February 2020 when the proposed budget will be discussed further.

Any Youth Councillors attending this meeting can let AG know so that we can try to keep seats. The meeting starts at 6pm but its best to be in place in the chambers by 5:45pm. Youth Councillors who need to leave before the end of the meeting can leave at 8pm during a suitable break between agenda items.

- **SEND Forum Update**, CB informed members that they have been planning a big event for March. The group also reviewed the publicity leaflets for SENDIASS which stands for Special, Education, Needs, Disability, Information Advice and Support Service. The publicity will be sent out to people explaining about the service.
- **BYC Convention**, the convention is on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> January at Tyne Met College, Battle Hill from 10am until 4:30pm anyone who wanted to attend could use the lap top to register online.
- **Young Mayor Candidates**, there were 11 valid Young Mayor nominations received and the online voting is now live, Youth Councillors were asked to cast their online vote and spread the word to others to vote once only. The online vote closes at 12 noon on 31<sup>st</sup> January. The top four candidates with the most votes will go forward to the second stage of the election. The paper ballot will take place in North Tyneside schools from 9<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> March.
- **Other Updates, AAK informed members that the Ready for Life Group** have a new project to help support young asylum seekers and young refugees who are new to North Tyneside. Links have been made with the Baptist Church project in North Shields. AAK asked Youth Councillors to bring in donations of toiletries, food items such as tinned vegetables, tomatoes, beans, tinned meat, tinned fish biscuits, toilet rolls. Any good clean clothes to fit children and young people that they no longer need. A visit has been planned for February half term therefore can any donations be brought into Council Offices before that time please.  
**AT informed members that the Environment group** planted some trees at Rising Sun Country park on 21<sup>st</sup> December. There are a further 210 trees being delivered in March and its planned to make the planting a community event. More information to follow once dates and times are known.
- **Issues that Youth Councillors want to report** none
- **Any Other Business**, none

**Date of next meeting 10<sup>th</sup> February 2020 5:30-7:30 Meet at Council Offices room 0.01**