

HUNTINGDON YOUTH TOWN COUNCIL

A meeting of the Youth Town Council was held at the **Town Hall, Market Hill, Huntingdon** on **Wednesday 30th June 2010 at 4.30pm.**

Present: Youth Councillors M Hudson (Chairman); J Chapell; K Gillman; R Harrold; J Marshall; C Morgan; J Watkin-Tavener

Absent: Youth Councillors A John; J John; S Morkell & J Munn.

In attendance: Claire Kane, Deputy Town Clerk.

94. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Youth Councillors A Brennan; H Buttriss; C Parkinson; C Richardson & Eric Walker.

95. MINUTES

Copies of the minutes of the Huntingdon Youth Town Council meeting held on 26th May 2010 (M10) had been circulated following their informal approval by the Chairman, it was therefore

RESOLVED that the minutes (M10) were a correct record and they were duly signed by the Chairman.

96. FINANCE

A report before Youth Councillors showed total income and expenditure to date and a balance available totalling £3,774.94. It was

RESOLVED to note this with thanks.

Youth Councillors were asked to consider a budget of expenditure and income for the current financial year and the following expenditures were considered:

▪ Team building	£200
▪ Donations	£1000
▪ Events	£2000
▪ Badges & t-shirts	£100
▪ British Youth Council membership	£54
▪ Conferences	£100
▪ Travel Expenses	£100
▪ Other	£100
▪ Christmas Lights	£100
Total	£3754

Youth Councillors considered that since such expenditure brought the Youth Council's reserves very close to zero that the Youth Town Council should apply for £2000 in funding from the Huntingdon Town Council and it was

RESOLVED that representatives would report this to the next meeting of Leisure & Community Services Committee for the Town Council's consideration.

97. **BATTLE OF THE BANDS**

Youth Councillors were informed by the Chairman that Battle of the Bands had been postponed due to the lack of entries. It was suggested that the event could take place on 29th September 2010 in the Commemoration Hall. It was therefore

RESOLVED to book the Commemoration Hall from 12.00pm to 12.00am if available.

Youth Councillors discussed why the entries had been so low and it was agreed that the advertising had been poor and that each Member should be allocated a task so that the organisation of the event would be spread evenly. It was

RESOLVED that a poster/flyer campaign should start immediately advertising that Bands were required for an event in September 2010.

Members considered if the prizes on offer encouraged Bands to take part and asked if an alternative prize could be offered such as studio time or the Youth Town Council to cover the cost of advertising the winner's next gig in the local press, local websites and radio.

It was **RESOLVED** to contact other Youth Organisations outside of Huntingdon who had organised similar events to enquire about the prizes that they offered.

98. **ANY OTHER MATTERS**

Youth Councillor J Chapell advised Members that Huntingdon Community Radio would be producing a programme entitled 'Community Matters' which would be broadcast on a Sunday evening and that the station required four volunteers to assist with the production of the show. It was

RESOLVED to note with thanks.

Youth Councillor J Watkin Tavener announced his resignation from the Youth Town Council. It was

RESOLVED to thank Youth Councillor J Watkin-Tavener for his years of service and contribution to the Youth Town Council.

It was reported to Youth Councillors, that Members of the Leisure and Community Services Committee had noted that there appeared to be long periods of absenteeism from certain Youth Councillors and had asked if there was a procedure in place for dealing with such issues.

The Deputy Town Clerk responded that attendance is recorded and an electronic log is kept in the office .If a Member missed three meetings in a row, a letter would be sent out to advise that they would no longer be considered a Member unless they contacted to Office to advise otherwise.

99. **DATE & TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

The date of the next meeting was noted as Wednesday 28th July 2010, at the Town Hall, Huntingdon at 4.30pm.

CHAIRMAN