

### **Lichfield District Youth Council - Meeting Outcomes from 8<sup>th</sup> February**

- The stipulations of the £5000 grant to Fun Club Hub were agreed upon.
- The creation of a charity pot of funding was approved, with an allocation of £6000 from LDYC's budget. The cap for each grant was agreed to be £1000
- Discussion points from the one-year review:
  - Less frequent full council meetings with task groups being set up to focus on projects. These tasks groups will feedback to full council.
  - Reach out to more schools to become members of LDYC.
  - Outside meetings, communicate directly with LDYC councillors as well as teachers
- LDYC discussed projects and initiatives they would look to work on. No consensus was reached, and it was agreed that councillors would conduct their own research and come back to the next meeting to discuss ideas.

**Attendance:** Queens Croft High School (6), Erasmus Darwin Academy (5), King Edwards VI (3)

### **Lichfield District Youth Council - Meeting Outcomes from 7<sup>th</sup> March**

- LDYC elected a new Chair; Vice-Chair; and the new Social Media Coordinator role after the previous councillors had fulfilled their one-year term.
- Members noted the outcomes of the previous meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> February and no questions were raised.
- LDYC were consulted on the Recycling & Climate Change Campaign via a presentation by LDC officer Tracy Cross (Communications & Marketing Director), supported by Cabinet Member Cllr Wilcox. Members proposed activities such as designing recycling stickers for schools and increasing recycling bins availability in schools.
- It was agreed that any charity pot funding applications should ideally be submitted before the June 2024 meeting, for review and acceptance/rejection at that date. It was agreed that they would work with Sean to promote this and could also utilise their new social media platform.
- Members were keen to hear applications particularly from: Youth Groups; Disability and Mental Health groups; organisations working to combat Climate Change.
- Members discussed anti-social behaviour in the district. It was suggested that local police representatives could be invited to attend Youth Council and discuss/answer questions on what the force is doing to tackle anti-social behaviour.
- Members suggested opening the Astro turf in Burntwood for free use on weekends to allow younger people somewhere to socialise and play. It was suggested that similar provision for Beacon Park be explored too. Cllr M. Wilcox agreed to pass this on to the relevant Cabinet Member. "Blast" was recommended as a group that may be able to help in this area and should be invited to apply for charity pot funding.
- Members raised the issues of inconsistent bicycle lanes in Lichfield and a lack of appropriate locations for parking and securing bicycles in the city centre.

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