



MINUTES

Committee: Epping Forest Youth Council **Date:** Tuesday, 6 April 2021

Place: Council Chamber, Civic Offices, **Time:** 7.00 - 9.00 pm
High Street, Epping

Members Present: Daniel Turner, M Adams, N Moffat, Sydnae Smith, A Zarras, J Schooling, O Prosser, B Nedelcu, Z Ahmed, M Prinsloo, A Ivanov, F Cullis, R Bhargava, F Wallbanks and M Wilson

Apologies: C Khadem, T Troshupa, S Miller, L Marks, A Flynn, S Halcrow and H Pickering

Officers Present: W Cockbill (Young Persons Assistant)

Guest Present

1. AGENDA FOR EFYC

Minutes of the meeting of 6 April 2021.

CHAIRMAN

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Chair: Sonny Bazzoni

Vice Chair: Max Adams (absent)

Apologies: Lauren, Harriette, Cameron, Samantha, Tomor, Archie, Sammy

Absent: Matthew, Simran

Guests: PC Emma Jackson Essex Police

1. Matters arising from previous minutes

There were no matters arising from previous minutes

2. Presentation by Emma Jackson – Essex Police

The Chair welcomed Emma to the meeting. Emma answered questions from the Youth Councillors regarding CCTV and issues affecting the district. She explained to the Youth Councillors how she got into policing and about her role within Essex Police.

It was suggested that when things happen that directly affect young people, then press releases should reflect the ages of whom they want to reach, to be reader friendly. Emma took the point and agreed to discuss with her colleagues.

Sonny talked about the need for more support for families that experienced a serious crime or incident, he proposed that the Youth Council make a new film as part of the 'We R Safe' films, that the previous Youth Council produced in 2018. The 6th We R Safe film would be called 'Ripples' to address how the incident affects other people. The ripple effects. There would be 3 elements in the film: Police, Paramedic and an Ex-Offender. The Youth Councillors and Emma all thought it was a great idea.

Emma thanked the Youth Council for inviting her to attend the meeting.

3. Updates on schools

Epping St Johns Running sports clubs, doing testing and mask wearing, which will continue next month. Pupils have 5-minute mask breaks, they are not indoors at lunch and break unless necessary.

Debden Park High Same as ESJ.

Davenant Wear face masks all day and pupils can only take them off at lunch and

	break, if indoors.
Roding Valley High	Same as other schools. Regular testing at home and over the holidays. Pupils can remove masks at lunch and break time.
Ongar Academy	Same as other schools. Seems to be going well.
West Hatch	All ok and like the other schools
King Harold Academy	Not represented at this meeting

Most Youth Councillors agreed that it was good to be back at school.

4. Topics for discussion at the next EFYC meeting 4 May 2021 Confirmation of Chairman Max and Vice-Chair Oscar

None discussed

5. Updates from Di and Wendy

New project We R safe 6, already discussed earlier in the meeting.

Next week we will concentrate on the Overview & Scrutiny Committee presentation. It is the most important event of the year, as it is time to showcase the work of the Youth Council. Di briefly ran through the PowerPoint that will be presented to the members of the committee by Martin, Aliza, Sonny and Natalie.

6. Any Other Business

6.1.1 Amount of virtual Youth Council sessions

Di and Wendy have become aware that meetings can be smarter as there is too much screen time for Youth Councillors at present. The Youth Council are in high demand as many organisations and partners want to consult with them. The Full Youth Council meeting will always be on the first Tuesday of the month, which Youth Councillors are expected to attend. When there are other meetings and consultations, Youth Councillors can decide if they wish to attend.

6.1.2 Weekly catch-up times with Di and Wendy

Wendy reminded the Youth Councillors about the social catch up times available to meet with Di on Monday's at 4pm and Wendy on Thursday's at 5pm. This is time for anyone to catch up about anything but could also be used to discuss other items like Jack Petchey spending or events. It is not a compulsory time but please feel free to attend if you wish.

7. Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 4th May 2021 at the earlier time 18:30 – 20:30

8. Meeting ended 20:25hrs