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| Suffolk Youth Forum Minutes  27th November 2023  Attendees  Engagement Hub: Susie McIvor (chair), Jess Walker (note taker), James Garden  Members:  Guests: Simon Barnett, Emma Forde, Jess Miller | | |
| Time | Agenda Item | Notes |
| 17.30pm | Welcome - All |  |
| 17.35pm | Minutes from the last meeting  Jess/Susie | Find apprenticeships on Suffolk Jobs Direct [Apprenticeships and Entry Jobs - Suffolk Jobs Direct Careers](https://www.suffolkjobsdirect.org/#en/sites/CX_1004/pages/153035)  Meeting Etiquite: The way you run things to work together/group rules  Research what is happening in your educational/youth group setting and feedback to the forum if you would like too. |
| 17.40pm | What is Suffolk Youth Forum?  Jess/Susie | Forum for people aged 11-18 (25 with additional needs) Shaped by members Find out about Youth Voice projects and programmes in county and nationally Link other members/connections within council and community Up to you how much time you'd like to commit to individual campaigns No party politics allowed Everyone will have different experiences and time commitments Safe space for all Only 4 Members of Youth Parliament however all able to contribute though Youth Forum!  **Action- Logo design: any member interested in designing our logo please have a look at the examples attached to the email and send us your design by the end of January 😊** |
| 17.50 pm | Update from Members of Youth Parliament  Will Blewitt | Based Campaign on free school meals Headed to house of commons, debated on final focus, voted Result: Focus on Finance and Funding ^ Ensuring school meals are funded correctly Protective funding to ensure its carried on Equal across UK  **Action: Will's email:** [**willblewitt10@gmail.com**](mailto:willblewitt10@gmail.com) **if anyone would like to ask Will about being an MYP**  **Action: Visit the website for more information about the campaign and how you can support it:**  [**https://www.byc.org.uk/uk-youth-parliament/uk-youth-parliament-campaigns/2023/food-for-learning-the-campaign-for-universal-free-school-meals-2**](https://www.byc.org.uk/uk-youth-parliament/uk-youth-parliament-campaigns/2023/food-for-learning-the-campaign-for-universal-free-school-meals-2) |
| 17.55 pm | Request from Taylor  -Mental Health | Taylor did not attend – we will invite to next meeting.  Action: Jess to invite to next meeting |
| 18.00 pm | Invited visitor Transport | Suffolk County Council Passenger Transport – Emma and Simon  - Suffolk Enhanced Bus/Rail Partnership: Don't control everything\*\* [Link to slideshow included in minutes]  Enhancing BUS services  - Can’t extend free tickets any further due to cost, Would be £4M to do so which they do not have. We have £3.6M to put towards buses during 2024/5  **Action:** [**bus.strategy@suffolk.gov.uk**](mailto:bus.strategy@suffolk.gov.uk) **Please email your thoughts/views/experiences of transport to help shape the strategy.**  **You could also be part of the passenger interest group as they do not have many young voices as part of that group at the moment. You could also review the passenger charter.** |
| 18.20 pm | Invited guest Climate Change Partnership | Young People and Environment – Jess Miller – Suffolk Climate Change Partnership  Conference in July 2024 Workshops to learn about how to do something yourself 14 schools signed up already  Outside of school, July 3rd, School will take you Susie/Jess can possibly help individuals get there Suffolk One Sixth Form College, Ipswich < LOCATION [Welcome to The One Sixth Form College (suffolkone.ac.uk)](https://www.suffolkone.ac.uk/)  **Action: Contact** [**jess.miller@suffolk.gov.uk**](mailto:jess.miller@suffolk.gov.uk) **with any questions/queries/ideas about the conference or getting involved in climate change/environment projects.**  **\* NUDGE Your school! \*** |
| 18.25 pm | AOB  Make Your Mark  Youth Parliament applications | Make Your Mark- National British Youth Council Campaign School votes on things that are important to you Top 3/4 from Suffolk sent to Suffolk Parliament Youth Parliament come up with 12 different topics that are put out to all young people in the UK Results are broken down into counties and into schools SIGN UP:  British Youth Council | Make Your Mark - UK Youth Parliament ([byc.org.uk](http://byc.org.uk)) |
| 18.30 pm | Close |  |
| **Next ‘Drop in’**: We would like to invite you along to a ‘drop-in’ between **5pm and 6pm Monday 18th December on Teams (will send the invite out separately)** if you would like to chat about anything to do with Make Your Mark, Youth Parliament or anything youth voice related!  We will also ask Maddie and James along from our team to talk about JOT the Robot and the Mental Health pages on the source website. Have a look if you haven’t already: [www.thesource.me.uk](http://www.thesource.me.uk) and [Jot the friendly robot emotional wellbeing tips for children - Suffolk County Council](https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/children-families-and-learning/wellbeing-in-education/emotional-wellbeing-support-for-primary-school-children)  **Next Suffolk Youth Forum:** **Monday January 29th 17.30-18.30pm on Teams**, please send items for the agenda by 25th January 😊  HAVE A LOVELY CHRISTMAS! | | |