

COUNCIL

Tuesday, 11 October 2011

Present: The Mayor (Councillor Moira McLaughlin) in the Chair
Deputy Mayor (Councillor Gerry Ellis)

Councillors	RL Abbey	T Harney	D Realey
	T Anderson	P Hayes	L Rennie
	E Boulton	M Hornby	D Roberts
	A Bridson	P Johnson	L Rowlands
	A Brighthouse	M Johnston	J Salter
	W Clements	AER Jones	H Smith
	A Cox	C Jones	T Smith
	J Crabtree	P Kearney	W Smith
	G Davies	J Keeley	A Sykes
	P Davies	S Kelly	S Taylor
	WJ Davies	B Kenny	J Walsh
	D Dodd	A McArdle	G Watt
	P Doughty	AR McLachlan	S Whittingham
	D Elderton	C Meaden	R Wilkins
	S Foulkes	D Mitchell	I Williams
	P Gilchrist	B Mooney	KJ Williams
	P Glasman	S Mountney	P Williams
	J Hale	S Niblock	S Williams

<u>Apologies</u>	Councillors	C Blakeley	I Lewis
		S Clarke	D McCubbin
		JE Green	C Povall
		P Hackett	J Stapleton
		A Hodson	K Wood

37 MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Council held on 12 October, 2010, had been circulated to members and, subject to the addition of Councillor Stuart Whittingham to the attendance list for the meeting, it was –

Resolved – That the minutes be approved and adopted as a correct record.

38 YOUTH PARLIAMENT

Before the commencement of the Youth Parliament in the Council Chamber a dance performance was given by the Inclusion Dance Company in the Civic Hall.

The young people and Councillors assembled in the Council Chamber at 6.15pm. The Mayor welcomed the young people and thanked Maureen McDaid, Principal Manager, CYP Participation and Inclusion Branch, her team and the officers for organising the event. The Mayor then explained the purpose of the evening and reported that this year's debate would focus on the proposed allocations for the

Youth Opportunity Fund (YOF). The intention was that the YOF Grant Panel would make its recommendations for each district's allocations to the Parliament. The Mayor then gave a brief outline of proceedings and invited the Executive Youth Board to present their proposals regarding the Birkenhead District.

The following proposal was put by the Grant Panel's Proposer for the Birkenhead District, Katie Lawrence:

"The Grant Panels' proposed priorities for Birkenhead are to use the Youth Opportunity Fund to provide activities which contribute to the following:

- 1) Accredited outcomes**
- 2) Positive Activities**
- 3) Sex & Relationship Education**
- 4) Drugs and Alcohol Intervention**
- 5) Reducing ASB."**

The Birkenhead District Opposing proposal was put by James Charteris.

The debate was then opened to Councillors and young people for their contributions.

The Grant Panel Seconder, Rikkie Killen then closed the debate.

The proposal was put and lost (39:46) (4 abstentions).

The following proposal was put by the Grant Panel's Proposer for the South Wirral District, Will Laine:

"The Grant Panels' proposed priorities for South Wirral are to use the Youth Opportunity Fund to provide activities which contribute to the following:

- 1) Accredited Outcomes**
- 2) Reducing N.E.E.T**
- 3) Anti-Bullying**
- 4) Reducing ASB**
- 5) Alcohol & Drug Intervention."**

The South Wirral District Opposing proposal was put by Holly Smith.

The debate was then opened to Councillors and young people for their contributions.

The Grant Panel Seconder, Maria Kendall then closed the debate.

The proposal was put and carried (59:43).

The following proposal was put by the Grant Panel's Proposer for the Wallasey/New Brighton District, Rikki Killen:

“The Grant Panels’ proposed priorities for Wallasey/New Brighton are to use the Youth Opportunity Fund to provide activities which contribute to the following:

- 1) Reducing Teenage Pregnancy**
- 2) Reducing N.E.E.T**
- 3) Alcohol & Drug Intervention**
- 4) Healthy Lifestyles**
- 5) Accredited Outcomes.”**

The Wallasey/New Brighton District Opposing proposal was put by Charlie Tinken.

The debate was then opened to Councillors and young people for their contributions.

The Grant Panel Secunder, Will Laine then closed the debate.

The proposal was put and lost (14:84) (7 abstentions).

The following proposal was put by the Grant Panel’s Proposer for the West Wirral District, Mike Edwards:

“The Grant Panels’ proposed priorities for West Wirral are to use the Youth Opportunity Fund to provide activities which contribute to the following:

- 1) Healthy Lifestyles**
- 2) Reducing Teenage Pregnancy**
- 3) Positive Activities**
- 4) Alcohol interventions**
- 5) Accredited Outcomes.”**

The West Wirral District Opposing proposal was put by Lori Caine.

The debate was then opened to Councillors and young people for their contributions.

The Grant Panel Secunder, Katie Everson then closed the debate.

The proposal was put and lost (11:74) (9 abstentions).

The debate concluded with speeches from the three party groups (Councillors Harney, Lesley Rennie and Foulkes) who paid tribute to the young people and thanked them for the high standard of the debate.

The Mayor closed the meeting by thanking all those present for their participation. She thanked the party leaders, Maureen McDaid and the staff of the Youth Service for enabling this Parliament and the young people for their attendance and contributions to the debate.