

You are hereby summoned to attend a meeting of the Youth Club Sub Committee in the Ron White Room, Keene Hall, Watchouse Road, Galleywood CM2 8PT on **Tuesday 4 February 2025 at 6pm** for the purpose of transacting the following business.

K Wilde

Mrs K Wilde
Clerk to Galleywood Parish Council
28 January 2025

Councillors: A McQuiggan, N Paul (Chairman), S Troop
YMCA Rep: B Whitaker

YOUTH CLUB SUB COMMITTEE

YC25-53 Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies and reasons for absence.

YC25-54 Declaring of Interests

Declaration of any disclosable pecuniary interests, other pecuniary or non-pecuniary interests relating to items on the agenda.

YC25-55 Confirmation of Minutes

(herewith)

To agree the minutes of the meeting held on 3 October 2024 as a true and accurate account of the proceedings of the meetings.

YC25-56 Public Participation Session with respect to items on the agenda

To allow up to 15 minutes for members of the public to make representations.

YC25-57 YMCA

(herewith)

To consider:

- a. Report provided by YMCA on attendance figures, activities and feedback
- b. A review of the current arrangements.

YC25-58 Date of the next meeting

To be discussed and agreed

GALLEYWOOD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING AND HIGHWAYS MEETING

HELD AT THE KEENE HALL – RON WHITE ROOM – GALLEYWOOD

on Thursday 3 October 2024 at 6.00pm

Formal acceptance will take place at the next Committee Meeting

Present:

Councillors: A McQuiggan, N Paul (Chairman) and S Troop
 YMCA Rep: B Whitaker
 Clerk

- YC24-47 Apologies and Reasons for Absence**
RESOLVED that an apology for absence be accepted for Cllr G Smith
- YC24-48 Declaring of Interests and Dispensations**
 There were none.
- YC24-49 Confirmation of Minutes**
RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held on 5 March 2024 were a true and accurate account were signed by the Chairman.
- YC24-50 Public Participation Session with respect to items on the agenda**
 There were no members of the public present.
- YC24-51 YMCA**
 Members considered and discussed at length with Becky Whitaker:
 a. The report provided by YMCA on attendance figures, activities and feedback.
 b. A review of the current arrangements.
 It was noted that attendance figures have rose in the last year, from an average of 12 to 20 per week. Children have shown leading and teaching skills to newcomers during cooking activities and supported Councils litter pick held in September. The Youth club currently runs at a comfortable level for the support required by those attending. Youth workers will continue building engagement throughout the year.
Action: YMCA to provide posters and volunteer leaflets for Council to share on noticeboards, social media and with school contacts.
- YC24-52 Date of the next meeting**
RESOLVED that the next meeting will be held on 4 February 2025 at 6pm.

There being no further public business to be transacted, the Chairman closed the meeting at 6.30pm

Signed Chairman

Dated



Galleywood report September - December 2024



Highlights from this term:

Young people at Galleywood youth club really love baking and cooking. Their skills have progressed so much over the last year. At first, they made cookies with a pre-mixed packet and they were given guidance from the youth workers. Now, they get given fresh ingredients and a printed step by step guide. The youth workers oversee but let the young people take a lead. The young people also came up with their own plan for tidying up, ensuring everything everyone is involved fairly. It really is fantastic to see them taking the lead and working together so well.

They levelled up their skills again recently, making fajitas from scratch. They even made their own guacamole! Many of them had never seen an avocado before and had never had fresh pineapple so they were really excited to see it in its entirety and learn how to cut it up. They also learnt about food hygiene and were happy to have photos in their hair nets and gloves! They were so proud of themselves and they really enjoyed their dinner.

Support given this term:

- Supported young people through revision and exam stress
- Lots of low income families - we create hygiene packs to give to all attendees. This included shampoo, conditioner, deodorant, shower gel, plus sanitary products from the girls
- We bought some clothes for a young person whom staff noticed was always wearing clothes that were so small they were causing her pain. She was so happy with the things she was given & her family were grateful.

What does engagement look like here?

Young people are always encouraged to learn and improve on new skills and they are always open to trying new things. One of the best elements of Galleywood youth club is the support system the young people have adopted between one another. We have had a lot of new attendees this term, the young people who have been attended for a few years often invite them in and welcome them. This creates a warm inviting environment where young people are supportive and respectful of one another.



Most common topics of discussion:

- Friendships
- Bullying
- Healthy relationships
- Life skills
- Personal development
- Positive mindset

Popular activities at this club:

Cooking, baking, bracelet making, group games, team challenges, knitting, clay making, seasonal themed games and crafts.



How have we made a difference?

Relationships between youth workers and young people continue to grow, particularly in the older session. Some of this group were quite closed off to support or advice, but are now showing more trust and are gradually opening up more about things going on in their lives.

We have supported lots of young people with life skills, particularly cooking and cleaning. They enjoy learning new things and arrive excited to see what's on the plan for the evening.

The older group enjoy a more free-flow session, where activities are available and encouraged but they also have a safe space to socialize and enjoy time with their friends.

5/9	12/9	19/9	26/9	3/10	10/10	17/10	24/10	7/11	14/11	21/11	28/11	5/12	12/12	19/12
22	23	16	22	27	27	24	17	21	24	19	17	20	17	12

Average number of attendees:
younger - 10
older - 12