



**Minutes of Ilfracombe Youth Council Meeting  
7<sup>th</sup> January 2019, The Ilfracombe Centre**

<b>Present:</b>	<b>Austin Armstrong (Vice-Chair); Ben Barrow; Hannah Burge; Tyler Courtney; Callum Ford; Ruby Hopkins; Kian Keating; Guy Lindley-Dore; Noah McNamara; Sean O’Callaghan (Chair); Shelbie Prater; Ben Richardson (minute secretary); Jasper Shobbrook; Jules Taylor</b>
<b>Also Present:</b>	<b>IYC support team: Cllrs Netti Pearson &amp; George Squires; Youth worker Keith Rickwood; Council officer Neil Ingram.</b>
<b>Apologies</b>	<b>Conor Warren; Katie Ruane; Molly Brennen</b>

*The first half hour as the IYC members arrived was spent reviewing the Terms of Reference, ready for the formal meeting.*

		<b>Action</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Minute Secretary</b>	
	Minutes are taken by a member of the council support team, but also by an IYC member to give them an opportunity to gain minute-taking skills. The IYC member selected was Ben Richardson	
<b>2</b>	<b>Terms of Reference</b>	
	<p>The Chair guided the youth council through the terms of reference, with members taking it in turns to read sections.</p> <p>There was a discussion on when meetings should be held and it was agreed that all meetings be held during term time on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays (less formal meetings may be held at the school(s) in between). Activities may be arranged during school holidays: these may be visits to other Councils, possibly Parliament, or anything related to IYC projects.</p> <p>Austin proposed, Guy seconded, a change to the aims: “To work as a team and find the reasons why we can make things happen, whilst recording possible reasons why we can’t.” With 12 in favour and 2 against the proposal carried. (Hannah, who voted against, expressed a concern that the wording was too negative and that if the IYC wanted to make things happen then that should be regardless of reasons why not).</p> <p>George asked what the IYC term of office is and suggested a calendar year.</p>	

	<p>Sean proposed and Tyler seconded that the Terms of Reference be amended to include a term of office from 1<sup>st</sup> January to 31<sup>st</sup> December. Also to include an amendment to membership being available according to academic years 6 through 9 rather than by age.</p> <p>With 13 in favour, 0 against and 1 abstention the proposal carried. Netti to amend the terms of reference as agreed.</p>	<b>Netti</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>Minutes of previous meeting &amp; matters arising</b>	
	<p>Previous minutes were unavailable. IYC members were informed that Plastic-Free Ilfracombe will be at Tesco on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> January from 11.00 until 14.00 for a 'mass unwrap' where shoppers will be invited to take the plastic wrapping off their purchases. Any IYC members who would like to help at the stall will be welcome. Sean to take names of IYC members at the Academy. Netti will contact year 6.</p>	<b>Sean</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>Video – Greta Thunberg speaking at COP24</b>	
	<p>This video showed a 15 year-old Swedish girl addressing world leaders at the climate change conference in Poland last month.</p> <p>Much discussion on the impact young people can have and the specific problems of climate change.</p> <p>Sean proposed and Tyler seconded: "To form a project to look at what IYC can do locally to act to reduce the effects of climate change"</p> <p>With 14 in favour and 0 against the proposal carried.</p>	
<b>5</b>	<b>AOB</b>	
	<p>Sean to arrange a meeting at the Academy before 19<sup>th</sup> to agree who will be attending the Plastic-free event on 19<sup>th</sup> and also to put an agenda together for the next meeting.</p>	<b>Sean</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>Next IYC meeting</b>	
	<p>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January at 15.30 in The Ilfracombe Centre</p>	