



# Minutes of the Meeting

## 28<sup>th</sup> November 2011

### Present

Geordie  
Chris  
Nicole  
Aaron  
Ashley  
Lois

Kerry (Children's Rights Assistant)  
Jodie (Children's Rights Assistant)  
Donna Leake (Children's Rights Assistant)  
PC John Day

### Apologies

Kira  
Paige

#### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Kerry welcomed everyone to the group and introductions were made for new members and also to introduce PC Day. PC Day explained how he attends school safety events to let young people know about stranger danger, water safety and information on the dangers of drugs. PC Day explained how he does a lot of visits voluntarily, and welcomed the visit to the group to find out what the YPSG did and if they had any information or advice to offer for his visits and also to ask any questions the group may have. One of the members of the group asked about police checking young people's bags and shining torches in faces. PC Day explained that the young people can ask for a copy of the form that the police officer will fill in to say why the bag has been asked to be searched.

The group felt that police should maybe do more on drugs and the effects and consequences they can have. The group spoke about a learning day on 'prison me, no way day', which they have found interesting and a good day.

## 2. Minutes of Last Meeting

Kerry handed round minutes of the last meeting and asked if everyone had got them through the post. Most of the group had.

## 3. Updates

11 Million Day. Some of the group and others took part in this years 11 Million Takeover Day. Most of the young people had enjoyed this day and some have come up with ideas to make it even better next time. To show what a good time everyone had there is going to be an article put in the East Riding Safeguarding Children's Board magazine, the East Riding of Yorkshire Council's grapevine magazine and also in the team's newsletter. The group felt that it would be good if other agencies would volunteer for next years take over day including the police and fire brigade. Kerry explained that the fire service would be coming to a group next year and that maybe we could mention this then.

The Children in Care Council is a group of young people who are looked after who meet monthly to discuss and raise issues about things they would like to improve/change for young people in care. The group met recently and the manager of the fostering team came along to discuss fostering issues. It was also a corporate parent meeting and an action plan was put together. The group were also asked if they would carry out some interviews in the new year.

## 4. Gemma Waygood - Safeguarding Newsletter

Gemma spoke with the group about what they wanted to put in the next safeguarding newsletter. The young people thought it would be good to put something in about 11 Million Takeover Day to include a message to others about what the day is about and to ask for volunteers for next year.

## 5. YPSG Christmas Special Edition

Kerry handed round the final draft of the Christmas card special edition and asked for comments. The group felt that it needed more dudes, particularly one in jail near the part about alcohol and the dangers of this. The group would like this to go out to as many places as possible including takeaways, police stations, taxi offices, dentists, GP Surgeries, Hospitals, Bowling Alleys, Supermarkets, Youth Clubs, Public toilets and much more...

## 6. Feedback From Schools and Future Topics

Kerry read out an email that she had received from a primary school saying that they had liked our winter tips leaflets and would like us to consider looking at topics such as water, road and railway safety and also anti-bullying. The group agreed for Kerry to email the school back and say that this will be considered in the new year.

## 8. Accreditations

The group updated their accreditation folders.

## 9. Chair and Minutes

Thanks to Aaron for chairing the meeting today

The chair and minute taker for the next meeting is to be arranged at the next meeting.

## 10. Date and Time of Next Meeting

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> December 4:30pm to 6:30pm. This will be a short meeting and then we will join in some games and Christmas fun. As agreed we will have pizza for tea!

Thanks everyone!!