

**UKYP subgroup meeting minutes: 1<sup>st</sup> March 2009**

1. Present: Sam (Basildon)  
George (Braintree)  
Sam (Castle Point)  
Fraser (Rochford)  
Damon (Chelmsford)  
Justin (Epping)  
Hannah (Harlow)  
Ben (Uttlesford)  
Ricci (Colchester)  
Chanelle (Tendring)

Apologies: Emma-Louise (Brentwood)  
Holli (Maldon)

Staff: Clare  
Catherine

**AP** = action point (something some/ all people have to do)

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2. Fraser will chair next meeting and Hannah will take the minutes. People will then take it in turns. Minutes must be returned to YEA office asap after meeting so that they can be distributed (1 week max.)

**AP** please send agenda items into the YEA office at least 48 hours before subgroup meeting

3. Clare gave a brief overview of Essex and UKYP. We are one of the biggest counties in the UK, and are part of the East of England. Regional events are held 4 times a year. A calendar of events for 2009 was distributed, together with consent forms to be returned to UKYP central office. Essex elects UKYP every 2 years, most places do this every year. More info about the structure of UKYP and its work will be given at resi.

**AP** if you haven't sent your form in for residential please send into YEA office asap – use a first class stamp. Staff will assume all will need transport.

4. On 28<sup>th</sup> March at Ipswich Town Football Stadium, Portman Road, Ipswich. UKYP is holding a conference; "Project Safe Space". Clare does not have any more information about the agenda for the day but explained that it is all about terrorism and young peoples' perception of it.

People are more than welcome to go, but they will not be supported by ECC staff (Catherine and Clare will not be going and people are responsible for getting themselves there). Also it clashes with the next subgroup meeting.

**AP** speak to Lucie Dean for more info – she's helping to organise the conference.

5. Group agreed that Essex should be pushing UKYP in the East to support one of the top 3 survey outcomes:

Bullying (including discrimination)  
Crime and feeling safe  
Drugs/ smoking/ alcohol

It was agreed that short presentations would be prepared around these subjects and that the survey results would be taken along as evidence.

**AP** short presentations emailed into [clare.ratcliffe@essex.gov.uk](mailto:clare.ratcliffe@essex.gov.uk) by Monday 9<sup>th</sup> March so that everybody can have a look at them:

Sam B – Crime  
Ricci – Bullying  
Sam M – Health

**AP** Clare to email everybody the survey results and to check if Danbury has projector and screen.

6. Group discussed the profile of UKYP and that it needs to be higher, however they agreed that their focus should be on raising the profile of YEA. By raising the profile of YEA it will ensure that the members are able to continue to consult a large number of young people in Essex. The best place to do this was discussed, schools, newspapers, local youth councils, word of mouth and youth clubs were all suggested

**AP** think about the best way to raise the profile of YEA.

8. A vote was taken about the colour for hoodies/ polo shirt and for the UKYP pages of the YEA website. Purple (quite dark) was chosen.

After looking at different sketches, the Essex UKYP logo is going to be an open hand with a prefect badge drawn onto it, saying UKYP Essex.

**AP** Clare to contact designers and then circulate design.

9. People wrote soundbites (very short sentence) to go on new YEA posters.

**AP** Clare to type up and check people are happy with them.

10. Last year there was a problem with attendance of some members/ deputy members (sending apologies to every meeting & not doing any work). Group decided to address this if and when it becomes a problem. As a group a decision will be made about when and if to send a letter.

**AP** remember to bring warm clothes and sensible shoes – with spares of both to residential.

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**Date of next meeting:**

Eastern region residential: 14/15 March Danbury outdoors centre

Subgroup meeting: Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March 1.30pm – 3.30pm County Hall Chelms