

Young Flintshire Autumn Meeting Summary 22/11/2024

Young Flintshire Model Introduction

Mared Eastwood, Cabinet Member for Education, Welsh Language, Culture and Leisure, Claire Homard, Chief Officer Education and Youth, and Neal Cockerton, Chief Executive, introduced the Young Flintshire model and the development of young people voice in Flintshire County Council to:

- have their voice heard and speak to decision makers.
- have opportunities to feed into other working groups and projects running within the council.
- have awareness of how Flintshire County Council works and educate on democracy to young people and communities.

An overview of the pilot that took place during the summer term 2024 was shared, where three areas of focus from the 3 issues campaign were focused on, reports were generated and relevant officers from council departments presented on the topics.

- Mental health and wellbeing
- School and education
- Community amenities and safety

Team Build Activity

Attendees were invited to work in groups to **u**se the pieces of Lego and make a design that represents an article from the UNCRC. Groups fed back on their creative designs and explored the UNCRC further.

Action: Feedback on creative activities was very positive and to include more activities such as these in future events.

Young Peoples Survey Discussion

Allocated themes from the Autumn Young People Survey were discussed in working groups, exploring positive data to celebrate, areas to focus on and actions to support. Working groups presented feedback in the Chambers.

Actions: Feedback will help to inform the work plan going forward. Young people to return to settings to explore 'Information about your council am Its services further.'

Climate Change Strategy

The Climate Change team introduced the Climate Change Strategy and invited Young Flintshire to take part in an upcoming consultation focus group. The Climate Change Schools Toolkit, currently being used by Castell Alun was signposted. Please follow the link below to find out more about this resource. School Climate Toolkit Link Helping schools to measure their impact and take action through information, tools and directing to other great organisations. This is designed to involve young people such as yourselves throughout, so you gain new knowledge, learn new skills and have the opportunity to influence action

WWF Calculator: The WWF My Footprint is a webpage or phone app that helps you calculate your own carbon footprint and understand where your main impacts are (home, travel, food and stuff). More importantly it challenges you to act on the things that are accessible to everyone.

Actions: Young people invited to attend a Climate Change consultation on Monday 9th December.

Date of Next Events and Meetings:

Workshops Day: 4th February

Spring Meeting: 28th March