

Agenda item Action by:

<u>Present:</u> Taran Ellerton (Chair), Cai Ellerton, David Maughan, Aimee Turrell, Paige Holley, Tia-Jade Allen, Lexi-May Allen, Kari Morgan (MT), Bethan Watkins & Cllr Gerwyn Thomas.

Apologies: Rhys Jones & Adley Curtis.

Wellbeing Checks:

Members discussed today's announcement of exam cancellations and how this impacts stress surrounding university application and the pressure to perform continually throughout the year - especially under emotional distress due to the pandemic. The uncertainty and how frequently the decisions surrounding exams have changed is a clear source of anxiety.

Minutes of the previous meeting 01/12/2020:

Cllr GT corrected previous minutes: lighting at the recreational area had been put up but during the previous meeting he had been discussing the possibility of CCTV being put up in the area, but LMTC are awaiting confirmation. KM to amend previous minutes to reflect this.

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TE introduced and led the discussion of the minutes from the previous meeting in December. Cllr GT, BW and KM explained the process of the importance of reading through the minutes and amending any incorrect notes and ensuring actions are complete.

Cllr GT informed members that the issues with the distribution of period products in the school have been resolved and the meeting between the school and LYC does not need to go ahead. In resolution of this LMS now has period product dispensers in multiple locations. LA voiced that these may not be filled often enough from her own experience and will report back on this in future once back at school.

Vice-Chair Elections:

Following the three way tie split between CE, AT and TJA, TJA and BW suggested sharing the role between the three and doing a rotation for the duties each month to help ease any stresses of extra duties on top of school work. No member objected to this proposal and agreed to it. Rota for the duties currently pending.

Task group feedback:

BW informed members that at the in-person task group meeting in December members made an additional 53 packs on top of the original 60 put together by DM and TJA in November. All the packs included a mixture of different sized pads and



tampons, information leaflets about period poverty, a mirror and a mask. BW also informed members that AC had been involved in an accident driving back from the meeting and that members will need to remake the packs.

All members

Members' Updates:

DM informed members that the LMS 6th Form Prefects are currently doing work to plan for their ball and hoodies, possibly planning on doing an external activity to help raise funds. More info pending. TJA updated that I AM ME are currently working on making a social media post with the plan to potentially put up a post every day discussing the history of LGBTQ+ for the month in February 2021.

Llantwit Town Council update:

Cllr GT informed members that with the development of the almost finished new road between Llantwit Major and St Athan there were original plans for East Camp students to be able to walk to LMS, though this has been deemed unsafe to do so as previous routes included a private road and the revised route is over the 3.0 miles from the school to qualify for free transport. This means all LMS pupils in St Athan will access free bus passes with the plans for students to be able to use them on school buses, or on public transport if they are unable to organise with a private company.

Play Review Wales Survey:

Members took part in a survey discussing the necessity of play as one of the UNCRC Children's Rights. Members all agreed that there aren't enough areas where young people can "hang out" around Llantwit Major and St Athan. Members feel most available areas have a focus on younger children rather than teenagers. LA discussed that in St Athan there are limited areas, parks and the ramps, no indoor spaces available to relax and hang out, and that the equipment in the parks are only designed for younger children. PH and TA raised the issue that most available places are outdoors and unsheltered, and PH further discussed how she has experienced being told to go elsewhere by police when hanging around the train station or other sheltered areas. Members agreed that they feel there needs to be more spaces available for teens and older children to hang out and play, stressing the need for warmth and shelter and linking to other UNCRC rights. All members agreed that they also feel as though they are getting a lot of schoolwork/college work, with some agreeing that the workload has increased since going back into lockdown and leaving less time for leisure and the importance of a school/life balance. KM to submit survey findings to Children in Wales.

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VYS Themed Weeks:

BW informed members that for the next 5 weeks VYS will be doing an activity with the youth groups every week. TA told members that this week was tie dye week which she did with LA also, and that for Llantwit Major their night will be on a Monday 5pm until 6pm. BW encouraged members to take part and mentioned that the next activity will be quiz night with the chance to win a £10 Amazon voucher. KM to send out themed weeks promo materials to members.

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LYC Action Plan 20/21:

Action plan reviewed.

Members would like the results of the recent Make Your Mark survey to be discussed at the next meeting.

BW

AOB:

- TA informed members that Young Reporters, a journalism group led by the BBC, would not be going ahead this year. BW and TA suggested using the school's termly newsletter to advertise and help recruit for new LYC members. TA to discuss with Gaynor Griffiths at LMS who is in charge of submitting all posts.
- KM informed members that this would be her last meeting with LYC as she has got a new job. She is still doing things related to youth work though and members wished her all the best.
- Digital Social BW informed members that our planned digital social that was supposed to happen on Jan 19th/20th has now been postponed until the end of term. Members would still like to take part in a Murder Mystery activity. KM to research.

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• BW tasked CE with completing his ACU work by next session.

CE

Future dates:

LYC Meeting, 5-6pm	Task Group Meeting, 5-6pm
17.02.2021	03.02.2021
17.03.2020	03.03.2021
	31.03.2021