

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLES' FORUM HELD AT
THE COUNCIL OFFICES, STATION ROAD, WIGSTON ON WEDNESDAY, 29 AUGUST 2018
COMMENCING AT 7.00 PM**

PRESENT

Councillor R E R Morris (Chair)

COUNCILLORS

Mrs S B Morris

OFFICERS IN ATTENDANCE

M Smith (Community Safety & Youth Coordinator)

8. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Councillor Miss M V Chamberlain
Councillor Mrs S Z Haq

9. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 23 MAY 2018

RESOLVED THAT:

The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 23 May 2018 be taken as read and confirmed.

10. POLICE UPDATE

Due to a Police representative being unavailable an update from them was deferred until the next meeting of the Forum.

11. YOUTH COUNCIL UPDATE

Members heard that the return visit of Cllr. R Morris, Mark Smith, and the Mayor to Wigston Academy took place on 21 June 2018, following on from the School Council visiting the Council Offices. Students asked a number of questions about the role of the Council's Elected Members and Officers, and expressed an interest in attending future meetings of the Youth Council following the summer holiday period.

12. SUPERSONIC BOOM 2018 REVIEW

M Smith gave a short update to the forum on the feedback received from stallholders at this year's Supersonic Boom event. 23 of 42 stallholders completed an anonymous feedback form with the overall response being positive, with 87% of respondents rating the event a 7 out of 10 or better. A copy of the feedback shown to Members is included with these minutes.

It is estimated that 1,600 people attended this year's event which is down on last year's attendance of 1,700. There was, however, a marked difference in how busy the event was from the official opening, and it was noted that visitors were staying longer at this year's event than previous years, with some families even bringing picnics along to the park with them. Interaction between the public and the stalls and activities also seemed to be much greater than in previous years.

Specific feedback was given that Supersonic Boom would benefit from being held at the weekend. A brief discussion was held on this point but it was felt that the cost of hiring items for a weekend event, such as the stage and first aiders, would increase as is the industry standard, and that it being a weekend event would create issues around staff availability and TOIL for attending officers.

13. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

None raised.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.15 PM



Chair

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