

Youth Environment Council Proposal

“Biodiversity Group recommends Ware town council establishes a Youth environment council consisting of year 4/5 pupils from primary schools across Ware

Schools manage selections themselves, but we encourage a democratic method The schools should nominate two students for the youth council. The Youth council will work provide guidance to biodiversity working group

Meetings to be held to be held in the priory, preferably the council chamber.

The objective is provide a platform for young people to discuss their environmental ambitions across the town and provide Ware town council and local schools with direction for nature restoration and environmental awareness projects”

Terms of reference

The Youth environment council is to work with schools and local governments on environmental issues, like habit creation, plastic reduction, air pollution.

Councillors are expected to take an interest in the environment and use their role to develop their skills and knowledge

They are to take an active role in their schools and communities and represent their concerns to the best of their abilities and to set a positive example for their peers

Aims and Objectives

1. To respond to enquiries from the Town Council or its working groups.
2. To promote environmental awareness
3. To provide Guidance to local authorities as how to manage environmental problems
4. To work Schools, Local authorities and community groups to improve the towns environment

Membership

5. There will be Two representatives from each school
6. The chair will be elected at the beginning of each meeting.
7. The term of office for all Youth Councillors will be 1 year.
8. Membership is open to all primary students studying within Ware
9. Members are to be appointed by the schools
10. Schools are to decide their own nomination process

Meetings

WTC Will nominate a clerk

- The Youth Council will meet once per month. TBC
- The Chair will prepare the agendas for meetings, with support from WTC
- Agendas will be distributed at least 5 days before the meeting.
- All decisions must be proposed, seconded and voted on.
- A quorum will be 1/3 Councillors.
- Voting will be by a show of hands.
- In the result of a tie, the Chair has the casting vote
- Minutes will be taken by the clerk.
- Minutes will be distributed before the next meeting and will be approved at that meeting.