KYV Meeting Summary – 17th June 2023

At the June meeting of Kent Youth Voice there was 49 young people in attendance.

Welcome and Joint Sessions

At our Welcome Session, there was the announcement of upcoming opportunities for our members such as hosting the TryAngle Awards or becoming Content Ambassadors for Kent Youth Voice. We were pleased to hear from our members about their achievements outside of KYV. Among these was KYCC member and Chair of the Mental Health Campaign group Shreya being the winner of the Mental Health Journalist of the Year Award at The Day's Global Young Journalists Awards Ceremony.

You can read Shreya's article at Mental Health Journalist of the Year: Winner - The Day

There was also a social media challenge about creating content promoting KYV to go on the social media channels, and Rachel Royall from Blue Lozenge talked to the members about how mental health and wellbeing can have better engagement with young people.

Campaigns

The **Climate Change and Environmental Action** campaign group consolidated planning for 2023 campaign projects focusing primarily on the Big Kent Youth Voice Litter Pick in August 2023.

The **Feeling Safe in Kent** group continued discussing their Kent focused variant on the pre-existing nation wide 'Ask for Angela' police campaign, discussing a prototype poster they were shown, and what businesses to target, as well as drafting a template letter. The group also made a suggestions list for a Maidstone Safe Space.

The **Free School Meals and Tackling Poverty** group went through their survey responses, discussed possibly making a podcast, and made posters to be sent to the media team.

The **Mental Health** campaign group discussed what was needed to create our podcast for parents and carers. Episodes 1 and 2 were planned. We wrote questions and identified possible guest speakers.

Project Groups and UKYP

The **Disability Awareness** group discussed their planned immersive experience in October half term. They will be inviting schools to create audio, written and creative content to compliment the roll out of Autism training in Kent.

The **Opportunities for Young People and Improve Life Skills** group continued planning and progressing project ideas. Topics and discussed content was agreed for the 'Life Skills' short films, an email was drafted to send to contacts to ask if we can interview them and drafted career-based questions, with the group discussing presenting these as podcasts and using social media.

The **Stop Racism and Discrimination** group discussed possible topics and titles for their podcast series.

Hannah briefed the **UKYP** group on YouthCon and Annual Conference details and updated the group on developments in its anti-vaping campaign. MYPs discussed various approaches to the anti-vaping campaign and Hadyn reminded the group of where UKYP's Food For Learning campaign was and how they could contribute.

YP's Evaluations

Ranking 1-5	1	2	3	4	5
(5 is best)					
Campaign Session	0	0	1	2	10
KYCC / HSK specific session	0	0	0	4	9
Project group time	0	0	3	3	7
Choice Session	0	0	1	5	4
Overall day	0	1	0	2	10