

NORTH LINCOLNSHIRE COUNCIL

PEOPLE CABINET MEMBER

YOUNG MAYORS AWARD

1 OBJECT AND KEY POINTS IN THIS REPORT

- 1.1 It is proposed that a new award be introduced in North Lincolnshire for young people in school years 7, 8 and 9. It would be attainable by all young people, including those who prefer to be active and enjoy a challenge. It is designed to encourage young people to get involved in activities in their communities.
- 1.2 It is proposed that the new award be named, 'The Young Mayors new year award'.

2 BACKGROUND INFORMATION

- 2.1 The Duke of Edinburgh award scheme (D of E) is well established in North Lincolnshire and is available for young people aged 14-24 years. The proposal for the young mayor's award has been developed following the researching of projects for young people which encourage them to get involved more practically at a much younger age.
- 2.2 The programme will be delivered jointly between the North Lincolnshire Council, Duke of Edinburgh Manager and Positive Activities provider, 'Youth Pursuits'.
- 2.3 Staff experienced in delivering the D of E programme designed this new project, which promotes safe activities and community involvement as a lead up to young people taking part in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award. It is designed to encourage personal and social development without the need to complete folders of written work.
- 2.4 The four activity areas would be (Please see appendix 1);
- Let's Help - Helping a member of the community
Let's Get Active - Taking part in a physical activity
Let's Learn - Learning a skill
Let's Explore - Learning about navigation and exploring the local area.

2.5 The previous experience of workers would suggest that once young people are engaged in activities of a positive nature that are seen as rewarding and in which they are achieving, they will want to continue that involvement and progress into the full D of E awards.

3 OPTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION

3.1 Cabinet Member to approve the development of the Young Mayors Award programme.

4 ANALYSIS OF OPTIONS

4.1 Enrolling into the Young Mayors Award will help to promote young people getting involved in positive activities. It will be seen as rewarding and fun, for young people to take part.

4.2 It will have the Young Mayor as a role model for young people getting involved and help young people to recognise this important position.

4.3 In the first and trial phase it is anticipated that 20 young people will be engaged in the project.

4.4 The programme will offer an increase in opportunities for young people to engage in these activities early, and therefore may lead to an increase in the number of young people enrolling on to the full D of E programme in the longer term.

5 RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS (FINANCIAL, STAFFING, PROPERTY, IT)

5.1 The award will benefit from the expertise and knowledge of the D of E manager employed by North Lincolnshire Council.

5.2 The sessions will be funded from the Positive Activities grant allocated to Youth Pursuits to develop services for young people.

6 OUTCOMES OF INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT (IF APPLICABLE)

6.1 An integrated assessment was undertaken on the Positive for Youth cabinet paper.

7 OUTCOMES OF CONSULTATION AND CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS DECLARED

7.1 Consultation was undertaken with young people as part of the transformation of youth services and is ongoing by activity providers.

8 RECOMMENDATIONS

- 8.1 That Cabinet Member supports and endorses the introduction and development of the Young Mayors New Year Award

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Background Papers used in the preparation of this report:

Award material as developed by Provider. Please see appendix 1.

North Lincolnshire Council

The Young Mayor's Award

Information sheet for Parents/Guardians

WHAT IS THE YOUNG MAYOR'S AWARD?

The Young Mayor's Award rewards young people for making a positive use of their free time. The Award is flexible with activities tailored to meet the needs of the young people taking part. It is a progressive and gets more challenging as they get older.

WHY DO IT?

Because it's fun. Because it's a challenge. Because they'll learn something. Because it's rewarding. Because THEY WANT TO.

HOW THEY START?

To begin, all that's needed is to fill out the Starters form and return it along with the registration fee of £5 (to cover costs at each record booklet and certificates) to a member of the Youth Pursuits team.

WHAT CAN BE DONE?

The award is in four parts - Let's Learn, Let's Get Active, Let's Help and Let's Explore. Each record booklet contains ideas of what could be done but young people plan their own program.

HOW LONG WILL IT TAKE?

	School Year	Let's Help	Let's Learn	Let's get Active	Let's Explore
LEVEL 1	7	30 min per week x 8	30 min per week x 8	30 min per week x 8	6 hrs
LEVEL 2	8	45 min per week x 8	45 min per week x 8	45 min per week x 8	7 hrs
LEVEL 3	9	60 min per week x 8	60 min per week x 8	60 min per week x 8	8 hrs

WHERE CAN IT BE DONE?

The Award is available at any of the Youth Pursuits sessions in North Lincs. Sessions are held at Crowle Youth Centre, Epworth Youth Centre, Winterton Youth Centre and at Oswald House in Scunthorpe, Days and times of sessions can be found by visiting www.youthpursuits.co.uk

WHO IS THE SUPERVISOR?

Usually a parent or whoever you choose to supervise your child

WHO IS THE ASSESSOR?

Usually a member of the Youth Pursuits Staff team