

EARLSHEATON TECHNOLOGY COLLEGE

YEAR SEVEN COUNCIL MEETING

MINUTES

MEETING HELD ON Thursday 5th November 2009

PRESENT Ryan Wilkinson; Janey Gregory; Zenab Khan; Brad Dewsbury; Declan Kaye; Jessica Hayes; Chloe Farrar; Sean Lyons; Andrew Greaves; Chloe McGuire

ABSENT Ruby Ineson; Alisha Akram; Keiran Ormsby

The role of Year Councillors was explained and each Councillor was given a badge.

School Values

There was a lengthy discussion about what the school might stand for a total of seven key values were agreed

- Earlsheaton Technology College believes that all members of the school should feel safe.
- Earlsheaton Technology College believes that all members of the school should be treated with respect at all times
- Earlsheaton Technology College believes that all pupils should be encouraged and given the information that would let them live a healthy life
- Earlsheaton Technology College believes that every pupil has the right to a high quality education
- Earlsheaton Technology College believes that every one in school should be treated fairly and equally no matter what their background or abilities might be.
- Earlsheaton Technology College will make every effort to make the school an inclusive one.
- Earlsheaton Technology College believes that effort and achievement should be recognised and rewarded as often as possible.

Safeguarding

- There was discussion about what steps the school took to make sure that all pupils worked in a safe environment. It was noted that there was CCTV camera on the corridors and Maglocks on the doors to stop intruders although some pupils kicked them open making it less safe. There were

- teachers on the corridors with walkie Talkies, there was electronic registration and if pupils were missing text messages would be sent home
- There was discussion about the problems at lunch time with Y7 pupils pushed out of the dinner queue.
 - The science corridors are far too small and cause crushes which are dangerous.
 - Problems with bottles and food thrown in the playground
 - Problems with passive smoke as pupils had to walk past smokers.
 - Problems in Technology with pupils not wearing goggles when using solvents. But safety is made clear in Science and Food Technology.
 - Prefects on the corridors help to make the place safer.
 - It was felt that not all pupils knew who to go to if they felt unsafe. This information could be put into form rooms and around the school. Also information could go on the school website and into next years planners

Building Schools for the Future

Outline plans for the redesign of the school were displayed and there was good discussion about all the changes that will be made