

Sherborne Youth Town Council Meeting
12.30 to 2 pm on Thursday, 27 March 2025
Sherborne Boys School

1. Welcome and Opening Remarks

Everyone in attendance was welcomed to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence & Approval of Previous Meeting Minutes

Apologies were received from Sherborne Girls, Sherborne Preparatory School, and the Town Clerk.

3. Bollard Decorating Competition

A discussion was held, and it was agreed that the bollard designs would be split between the schools as follows, starting with one each:

- Prep School: 2
- Boys: 4
- Girls: 4
- Abbey Primary: 2
- Sherborne Primary: 2
- Gryphon: 4

The deadline for the designs is set for the next meeting, which will take place before the end of the summer. The theme is the History of Sherborne. The Youth Town Council will select the winning designs, with the submission deadline being the week prior to the next meeting.

Designs should include landmarks, either by having a map on the top of the bollard or numbering to match a corresponding map, along with arrows to indicate directions.

4. Improving Sherborne

Discussions led to several topics being agreed upon:

- Information points around the town would benefit visitors and tourists, potentially combined with downloadable Treasure Trails. Local shops could contribute by placing clues in their windows.
- More information should be made available at the phone box outside the Abbey to assist tourists.
- Enhancing tourist destinations, including cycle paths.
- Improving the skate park area, possibly through graffiti art to create a mural, as well as considering an extension of the skate area. The group should think about the benefits of these improvements and discuss spaces for young people at the next meeting, including where they can go.
- Information boards should be established.
- Opportunities to collect stamps and more activities for enjoyment should be considered.

5. Any Other Business (AOB)

Eden and Iris will address the school assembly to share their views to bring to the meeting.

- Consideration of social areas in Sherborne,
- Free clubs for drop-in sessions, such as drawing classes.