

KILLAY COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Youth representative information pack

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Chair's Welcome – Jim Robinson

Thank you for your interest in Killay Community Council. We represent the local Killay community at a grassroots level. To do that effectively we need to make sure that we truly represent ALL of the community, including young people. Community councils are legally able to appoint youth representatives to their council – but they don't have to! At KCC we *choose* to appoint youth reps because we want to hear YOUR voice. We hope that you will consider joining us and making a difference in your community. We look forward to hearing from you.

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Who Can Apply?

Youth Reps must be aged between 15 - 25. You must be able to represent the interests of people under the age of 26 who live, work, train or receive education in the area.

Why Apply?

Becoming a youth representative is an opportunity to

- Share your ideas and have your say.
- Help make a difference in your area.
- Take part in meetings and projects.
- Develop skills and experience.
- Learn about local democracy & how the Council works.

And of course it looks great on your CV!

We are open to your ideas! One of our former youth representatives talked to us about how their school was becoming more multi-cultural and the community make-up diversifying. Through discussions this led to the Community Council, and the youth representative, planning a 'One Killay' multi-cultural event to celebrate cultures across our community through music, dance, food, national dress and sharing histories.

How To Apply

Read this document to find out more about being a Youth Rep. Complete the application form and then email it to the Clerk, Sue Bagley.

If you have any questions or need extra help with your application, please contact us.

Our Meetings

The Council meets on the fourth Wednesday of each month at 7.15pm – excluding December. Meetings are held in person at Siloam Chapel school room in Killay and virtually via zoom. They finish at around 9pm and are open to the public. Our meetings are also attended by local City Councillors. Short minutes from meetings

and policy documents are all published on our website:
<https://killaycommunitycouncil.com/>.

Notice of meetings, and accompanying papers, are sent via email within three clear days of the meeting. Youth Reps are not able to vote during meetings, but you can still present topics and take a full part in meeting discussions.

Responsibilities

1. To represent young people under the age of 26 who live, work or receive education/training in our community, and give them a voice on Killay Community Council.
2. To attend Community Council meetings on a regular basis.
3. To listen and respect the views of other young people. You must be prepared to listen to what other young people are saying about issues that affect them and feed these views into the Community Council. Your views are important but you must be prepared to feedback the views of other young people even if you don't agree with them.
4. To act responsibly and within the code of conduct when representing Killay Community Council.
5. To not be party political within the role.
6. To not be afraid to ask for help, support & advice
7. To report any concerns to the Community Council.

About Us

Community councils are the grassroots level of governance in Wales. Our purpose is to improve the quality of life and environment for local people in our area. Community councils are funded through every household's Council Tax and we are accountable to local people. The Council Clerk is the only paid employee, with all other posts entirely voluntary.

Killay Community Council doesn't own any buildings or provide direct services. We make a difference in the community in a number of ways:

- We run community events throughout the year including a Father Christmas procession; children's fun days in the Summer and at Halloween; events for older adults and live music acts in the Precinct.
- The Community Council has secured funding to provide a seasonal craft and produce market in Killay Precinct which takes place in Spring, Summer and Christmas – with live music and entertainment also arranged.
- A local history theatre performance was funded by KCC and was performed at local primary schools and in the community last year.

- The Community Council finances floral displays throughout the area in addition to maintaining the shopping precinct flower beds and planting wildflowers.
- We monitor local pathways and rights-of way, reporting any issues to the City Council.
- We regularly review all Planning applications (for new buildings and extensions) within the area, submitting comments to the City Council where appropriate.
- We have a small grants budget and make donations to community groups and local schools.
- Community Councillors sit as governors at Hendrefoilan and Dunvant primary schools.

Many of our events are annual but every year we review our programme and plans to see what is working.

We have a limited budget but we can apply for grants from the City and County Council and have done so in the past. City Councillors also help to fund some projects.

We hope that this pack has provided some useful information. See our website or get in touch to find out more.

We look forward to your application!