

DUNDEE CITY COUNCIL

REPORT TO: Communities Committee - 16 April 2007

REPORT ON: "Not Just The Future" - Manifesto for Young People in Dundee

REPORT BY: Director of Leisure and Communities

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1.0 PURPOSE OF REPORT

1.1 To bring to the attention of Committee the manifesto for young people in Dundee entitled "Not Just The Future" produced by the Dundee Youth Voice Group.

2.0 RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that the Committee note:

- 2.1 the Manifesto and congratulate Dundee Youth Voice for their achievement.
- 2.2 the Dundee Youth Voice Group's plans to further develop opportunities for young people to be represented at local and national levels.

3.0 FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

3.1 The costs incurred in providing support for Dundee Youth Voice are contained within the Youth Work Revenue Budget.

4.0 SUSTAINABILITY POLICY IMPLICATIONS

4.1 Sustainability

The Manifesto expresses the views of young people in Dundee and proposed solutions with particular reference to transport and the environment.

4.2 Strategic Environmental Assessment

The Manifesto represents the views of young people in Dundee.

4.3 Anti-Poverty

The Manifesto enables the views of young people in Dundee to be heard by decision makers.

5.0 EQUAL OPPORTUNITIES IMPLICATIONS

5.1 The Manifesto contains a section reflecting the views of young people in Dundee over equalities and diversity issues.

6.0 MAIN TEXT

6.1 The Manifesto has been written using the results of consultations with young people in Dundee between 2005 and 2007.

6.2 Approximately 3,900 young people were consulted using a variety of approaches

including street surveys, questionnaires, discussion groups and collating opinions from previous consultations.

- 6.3 The Manifesto follows the main subject headings adopted by the Scottish Youth Parliament (SYP) and will be the basis for the views expressed by Dundee's Members of the SYP in the appropriate Subject Committees of the Scottish Parliament.
- 6.4 The Manifesto was launched at an event held in The Shore on 9th March 2007. Copies have been distributed to all Councillors, local and list MSPs and MPs.
- 6.5 Elections to the SYP will take place in June 2007. MSYPs hold office for two years. The new group of MSYPs will be supported as part of Dundee Youth Voice and will be responsible for advancing the ambitions expressed in the manifesto.

7.0 CONSULTATION

- 7.1 The Chief Executive, Depute Chief Executive (Support Services), Depute Chief Executive (Finance), Assistant Chief Executive (Community Planning), Directors of Education, Social Work, Housing and Planning & Transportation have been consulted about this report and are in agreement with its contents.

8.0 BACKGROUND PAPERS

- 8.1 None.

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