**Glasgow Youth Council Meeting**

Wednesday 22nd January 2020 – 18:00 Committee Room 8, Glasgow City Chambers

**Present:** C-Jay Quigley (CJQ), Emily Harle (EH), Jenny Newton (JN), David Blisland (DB), Revati Campbell (RC), Hayden Atkin (HA), Ellie Craig (EC), Lauren Kelly (LK), Isla Douglas (ID), Fatima Bari (FB), Marke Hume (MH), Pamela Brogan (PB), Catherine Mackie (CM), Danyaal Raja (DR), Ross McArthur (RM), Jack Dudgeon (JD), Sophie Reid (SR), Brogan McAloon (BM), Michael Shields (MS)

**Apologies:** Amy Smith (AS),Marissa Roxburgh(MR), Kieran O’shea (KO)
**Absent**: Alana McKenna, Azkah Sardar, Blessing Aisam, Carly Horne, Chloe Carmichael, Chloe Jordan, Claire-Marie Rozario, Dean Wood, Declan McLean, Eunis Jassemi, Holly Hamill, Isma Tariq, Jason Black, Jessica Gow, Josh Kennedy, Kerry-Lee Dalgeish , Lamis Ahmed, Lewis O’Neil, Maia Daly, Mashaim Bukhari, Megan Mclean, Morven McLaren, Niamh Margaret Dillon, Rimi Deol, Riya Banerjee, Tom Montgomerie, Tooba Shah, Zanib Ahmad.
**Chair:** D Raja (DR)
**Minutes:** Ellie Craig (EC)
**Attending:** A Dick (AD)

**A. Welcome and Previous Minutes**

* DR welcomed all present, and explained that attendance had been noted upon arrival.
* The minutes of the MONTH 201X meeting were moved by TM and seconded by KH.

**B. Statement – Danyaal Raja**

* DR submitted a statement announcing his resignation.
* JN announced the Executive plans moving forward and responded to the statement
* CJQ , EH, EC, RM, CM, AD, SR, PB, FB, JD responded to the statement.

**C. Confirmation Votes**

 a. Secretary – Ellie Craig , Confirmed (14voted, 14 agreed, 0 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

 b. Finance and Events Officer- Marissa Roxburgh, Confirmed (14voted, 14 agreed, 0 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

 c. Campaigns Officer – Kieran O’shea, (14voted, 13 agreed, 1 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

 d. Officer to the Vice Chair – Hayden Atkin, (14voted, 14 agreed, 0 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

 e. Executive Committee Clerk – Catherine Mackie, (14voted, 14 agreed, 0 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

 f. Deputy Policy Officer – Kerry-Lee Dalgleish, (14voted, 13agreed, 0 disagreed, 1 Abstain)

 g. Deputy Campaigns Officer- Michael Shields, (14voted, 14 agreed, 0 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

 h. Deputy for Social Media and Design – Sophie Reid, (14voted, 14 agreed, 0 disagreed, 0 Abstain)

**D. Consultation**

* AD carried out Integrated Children and Young Peoples Service Plan Consultation
* AD presented a PowerPoint presentation and the full council took part in the consultation activity.

**E. Policy Review**

1.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that a Universal Basic Income, otherwise known as a ‘citizens income,’ should be introduced to ensure that all citizens, no matter their circumstances, can live with dignity and economic security.” (Proposer (PB) , Seconder (BM)) For -13 Against -5 Abstain -0

2.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that all funding from local and national government to Rape Crisis centres should be protected.” (Proposer (PB) , Seconder (CJQ)) For -16 Against -2 Abstain -0

3.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that Young People in employment should be entitled to the same rights, protections and pay as all other employees.” (Proposer (FB) , Seconder (BM)) For -17 Against -1 Abstain -0

4.“The Glasgow Youth Council supports the work of the STUC Youth Committee in their ‘Better than Zero’ campaign, and their continuing campaign against exploitative employment and the injustice of zero hours contracts for Young People.” (Proposer (JN) , Seconder (HA)) For -15 Against -2 Abstain -1

5.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that regional and national agencies should establish dedicated programmes to help Young People get into the creative and journalistic sector.” (Proposer (PB) , Seconder (CM)) For -12 Against -2 Abstain -4

6.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that Glasgow City Council, Police Scotland and the Scottish government should tackle crime by working with Young People to address its root causes.” (Proposer (JN) , Seconder (SR)) For -15 Against -1 Abstain -1

7.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that more action should be taken to address the issue of under-representation of ethnic minorities in the mainstream media.” (Proposer (RC) , Seconder (PB)) For -15 Against -2 Abstain -1

8.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that the Nuclear Arsenal based in HMNB Clyde should be immediately decommissioned, with the savings of this being invested in conventional means of defence and public services.” (Proposer (JD) , Seconder (SR)) For -14 Against -3 Abstain -0

9.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that there should be greater support provided by Glasgow City Council to LGBTQI+ youth groups in the city to ensure that Young People have dedicated support and safe spaces amongst peers.” (Proposer (MH) , Seconder (CJQ)) For -17 Against -1 Abstain -0

10.The Glasgow Youth Council believes that greater awareness should be made of the issues and challenges facing young deaf people, and supports the work of the National Deaf Children’s Society in resolving these issues." (Proposer (JN) , Seconder (MS)) For -16 Against -1 Abstain -0

11.“The Glasgow Youth Council condemns the reforms to the Tax Credit System, including the abhorrent ‘rape clause,’ and calls on the UK Government to immediately review this policy so that no mother is forced to choose between financial hardship or declaring a child to have been conceived through rape.” (Proposer (HA) , Seconder (PB)) For -16 Against -1 Abstain -1

12.“The Glasgow Youth Council notes with sadness the tragic death of Matthew Bloomer in March 2017, and believes more should be done to tackle homelessness in Glasgow. Council further notes that Young People are especially vulnerable to homelessness, and as a result further believes that more funding should be allocated to homeless shelters across the city.” (Proposer (BM) , Seconder (MH)) For -17 Against -1 Abstain -0

13.“The Glasgow Youth Council notes the efforts of Stewart MacDonald MP to end unpaid trial shifts through a Private Member’s Bill in the House of Commons; believes that no individual should be expected to work for anything less than a fair wage; and resolves to support campaigns to end unacceptable working practices.” (Proposer (BM) , Seconder (FB)) For -16 Against -1 Abstain -0

14.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that while the fight for gender equality is an important one, and a fight that we resolve to support, gender-based quotas and contracts exclusive to one gender are not the best way to achieve this. The Council further believes that preferential treatment towards one gender only breeds resentment, and in turn creates more inequality.” (Proposer (DB) , Seconder (DR)) For -11 Against -5 Abstain -1

15.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that more must be done to educate Young People about their rights as outlined in the United Nations Convention on the Rights of the Child (UNCRC), and further believes that rights education should be a mandatory part of all school curricula.” (Proposer (SR) , Seconder (MH)) For -13 Against -2 Abstain -0

16.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that the Scottish Government should review the benefits of decriminalising the possession and consumption of drugs in Scotland as an effective means of tackling drug addiction and drug-related crime in Scotland, in particular amongst Young People in Glasgow.” (Proposer (JN) , Seconder (HA)) For -13 Against -3 Abstain -1

17.“The Glasgow Youth Council believes that more must be done to increase accessibility to the arts and creative industries in Glasgow, and calls on the Glasgow City Council Administration to do more to ensure that everyone can access and benefit from our diverse arts and culture opportunities in the city.” (Proposer (PB) , Seconder (BM)) For -14 Against -3 Abstain -0

18.“The Glasgow Youth Council notes the work of Monica Lennon MSP and Scottish Government regarding the provision of Menstrual Hygiene Products; believes that access these products is a basic human right, and more should be done to ensure that those in disadvantaged financial situations have access to these products. (Proposer (SR) , Seconder (BM)) For -16 Against -1 Abstain -1

As a result all motions were passed

F. CJQ stated that Claire Higgins has left – The GYC appreciated the work that she did.

MEETING CLOSED

NEXT MEETING OF THE GYC IS ON Wedneday 19TH February 2020