

Civic Centre,
Arnot Hill Park,
Arnold,
Nottinghamshire,
NG5 6LU



Agenda

Date: **Monday 21 September 2026**

Time: **5.30 pm**

Place: **Council Chamber**

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Gedling Youth Council

Membership

Chair Freddie Vokes

Vice-Chair Lydia Yates

Shaan Reed
Tory Oshinowo
Leyla Abass
Darcey Adams
Aisha Ahmed
Noor Ahmed
Edi Bendall
Jude Blakey
Stella Clarke
Vitalia Climenco
Finley Dunn
Alex Eggleston
Evelyn
Madina Fahim
Matilda Garland
Lexie Garratt
Juliet Grain
Poppy Greentree
Tilda Hatton
Emilioa Lane
Scarlett Macfarlane
Kayanna-Lee McCulloch
Fatimah Malik
Alex Millar
Emma Price
Charlie Rose
Chaneedigwa Singh
Luke Sketcher
Sophia
Alex Truong
Alex White
Molly Wright
Councillor Kathryn Fox
Tish Phelps

Councillor Kathryn Fox – Portfolio Holder for Life Chances and Vulnerability

AGENDA

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- 1 **Welcome, apologies received.**
- 2 **Icebreaker, to be put forward by the Chair**
- 3 **Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 13 July 2026.** 5 - 7
- 4 **Items to be raised at this meeting**
 - Any important updates for Youth Council members to be aware of.
- 5 **Filming for the Youth Council Promotional video** 9 - 12

This meeting has been dedicated to the filming of a promotional video to showcase the work the group does and encourage new members to sign up. It was agreed at the last meeting to clear the agenda for this filming to take place.

All members are encouraged to attend this meeting and take part in the filming.
- 6 **Social session and refreshments in the Beeston Room at 7.00pm if time allows.** 13 - 15

Future meeting dates (usual meeting structure will commence):

- 2 November 2026
- 22 February 2027
- 26 April 2027

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Minutes of the Gedling Youth Council Meeting: Monday 13 July 2026

5.30 - 7.30pm in the Council Chamber, Civic Centre

1. **Welcome, apologies received** – A welcome was given by Freddie, who was chairing the meeting due to Jude's absence.

Apologies received from

Stella Clarke, Jude Blakey, Fatimah Malik, Lydia Yates.

In attendance: Freddie Vokes, Shaan Reed, Tilda Hatton, Tory Oshinowo, Lexie Garratt, Juliet Grain, Amy Beckworth, Leanne Parsons, Cllr Kathryn Fox.

2. **Icebreaker, to be put forward by the Chair** Members were asked by the Chair to introduce themselves and say what they would do or say if they had the world's attention for 30 seconds.
3. **Items raised by member in the Youth Council Group Chat** No items raised in the chat.
4. **Minutes of the last meeting held on Monday 27 April 2026, matters arising**

Minutes of the meeting held on 27 April were accepted as a true record.

Matters arising:

- All matters arising are included in the agenda.

5. Standing Items:

Youth Mayor Updates (post-meeting): Lydia was unable to attend but an update was provided for inclusion in the meeting minutes: She gave a brief youth mayor review and pointed out some recent engagements she attended, including the Arnold summer fair and Calverton fun day. She met with soroptimists and attended the International Women's Day conference to further her advocacy with phenomenal futures. Lydia said that she was looking forward to the civic service on Saturday to begin raising some money for the mayors charity: premature babies.

Gedling social Mobility Commission (post-meeting): Fatimah Malik was unable to attend but an update was provided for inclusion in the meeting minutes:

Fatimah said "We had a good discussion regarding the Gedling Housing Strategy and this included some of the challenges faced by younger people in terms housing and in particular affordability. There were two actions from the meeting in relation to this. One was to consider a further discussion at the

Youth Council regarding educating young people regarding their future housing options and another to explore this further with local schools too”.

Opportunities for Youth Council / Youth Mayor Promotion and Communications The Youth Council will work with the GBC Communications and Engagement team to create a video to promote the Youth Council in the September meeting.

LP also mentioned opportunities to include information and updates on the Youth Council in the council's monthly Gedling Borough News emails.

Cllr Fox spoke about the Pride of Gedling Awards and encouraged nominations from members, particularly for the Young Person Award.

6. Feedback from Amy – PHSE Motion to Countywide Parliament/YP Board and ongoing Gedling representation on the Board

7. Guest speakers attended the meeting - Claire Mapletoft, Community Protection service at Nottingham City Council and Alison Gibson, Planning Policy Manager for Gedling Borough Council.

8. Youth Council promotional video planning

LP ran through the filming plan with the group and encouraged as many members to attend the September meeting as possible to help make the video a success. Some on-camera speakers will be required during the session to give their views during the filming.

9. Future guest speakers and areas of interest, upcoming Council Consultations and other developments

- LP suggested future guest speakers for consideration for the November meeting: Sim Durha (Climate Change Office at GBC) to present a climate change film however it was decided that the 50-minute film would be too long to show at the YC meeting and so the group requested an alternative. Post meeting, Sim advised she could speak about general climate initiatives across Gedling instead.
- Post-meeting, a member of the GBC EGR team requested to speak at YC to talk about the Pride in Place programme logo competition.
- Inspector Steven King to be considered for a future meeting too.

Amy B suggested using a poll with the young people to decide on speakers for the next meeting. Due to the time sensitivity of the EGR topic, this is recommended for the November meeting.

10. AOB - It was agreed that the agenda for the September meeting will be cleared to enable sufficient time for filming the promotional video.

11. Social session and refreshments in the Beeston Room at 7.00pm.

12. Future 2026/27 meeting dates: next meeting is 21 September 2026.

Following meetings:

2 November 2026

22 February 2027

26 April 2027

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Gedling Youth Council – Promotional Video Plan draft

Objectives and Purpose

Primary aim – Encourage young people (aged 11-19 years) in Gedling to join or engage with the Youth Council

Secondary aim -

- Raise awareness of Gedling Youth Council's role and impact
 - Present the Youth council as welcoming, inclusive and Youth-led.
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Target Audience

- Young people aged 11–19 in Gedling
 - Parents, schools, and community partners
 - Local stakeholders (councillors, youth services)
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Key Messages

The video should clearly communicate:

- “Your voice matters in Gedling”
- “You don’t need experience – just ideas.”
- “It’s fun, friendly and supportive”

Tone and style

- Youth-led rather than authority-led
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Video Length

1.5 to 2 minutes (ideal for social media + presentations)

Short cut downs could be created for Instagram.

Video Structure & Script Outline – based on Conversations in meeting on 27th April

1. Opening Hook (0:00–0:10)

Fast-paced, energetic clips

- Young people laughing, meeting, speaking
- Shots of the Chair walking into the Chamber
- Close up of Chair and Gavel – starting the meeting

Text/Voiceover:

“Want to make a difference in Gedling?” – TBC with young people

2. Who We Are (0:10–0:20)

Group shots, meeting, workshop

Voiceover (young person):

“We’re the Gedling Youth Council. We represent Young People and their ideas.” – TBC with young people

3. What We Do (0:20–0:40)

Cutaways of Meeting, chair/ guest speaker

Cut between several young people saying: - TBC with young people

- “We speak up on issues that matter to us”
 - “We support local campaigns”
 - “We work with decision-makers”
 - “We create real change”
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4. Why Join (0:40 – 0:65)

Short quote from members: - TBC with Young People

- “I’ve gained confidence”
 - “I feel listened to”
 - “I have made new friends”
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5. Personal Stories (0:65– 0:95) – May not have time for this

Close-up interviews

Ask 2–3 members:

- “Why did you join?”
- “What have you gained?”

Example responses:

- “It boosted my confidence”
 - “I made new friends”
 - “I feel heard”
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6. Call to Action (0:95 – 1:20)

Group shot, smiling, welcoming

“Join Gedling Youth Council today!” “Be heard. Make change.”

Include on screen:

- Website
 - Meeting information
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Music & Audio

- Upbeat, inspiring background music
 - Keep volume lower during speech
 - Optional: include natural sound (laughter, chatter)
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Filming Ideas

- Council Chamber
- Meeting room – Beeston Room
- Arnot Hill Park
- Events or workshops

Pre-Production

- Agree key messages
- **Get consent forms (important for under 18s)**
- Plan filming schedule
- Prepare questions for interviews

Distribution Strategy

- Instagram (Reels + feed)
- YouTube
- School newsletters/screens
- Council website/social media
- Council e-newsletter

Success Measures

- Video views & engagement
 - Website clicks
 - Increase in enquiries/applications
 - Social media shares
 - Feedback from young people
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You're invited to the Mayor of Gedling's

Quiz Night



Friday 9 October, 7pm

Civic Centre, Arnold, NG5 6LU

Tickets cost £15 per person

Email **Civic@gedling.gov.uk** to book your tickets

All proceeds will go to the Mayor's chosen charity, the Nottingham Hospitals Charity Neonatal Unit.

Ticket price includes food (jacket potatoes).

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Christmas Carol Service

Friday 18 December 2026 7pm - 8pm FREE

Followed by mince pies & mulled wine in the community centre

Civic Carol Service of the Mayor of Gedling

Donations accepted for the NUH Neonatal Department



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