

## SYC Report for the ACC:

7/3/2024

### Anti-Vaping campaign:

We conducted a survey, which ended in July 2023 which stated that 60% of respondents had witnessed underage vaping and lots of schools have identified it as the main issue young people face in council outreach work.

After conducting a review of this campaign so far and hearing the proposed government law changes, we have come up with several different ideas we would like to complete, with the overall aim of reducing the amount of vaping in young people.

These ideas are:

- Working with Trading Standards,
- Approach schools about sponsoring vape alarms (would need outside funding),
- Email shops that advertise the sale of vapes and ask them to stop,
- Ask InspireYouth to do a workshop on vaping in one of their sessions,
- Petition the government to make vapes prescription only,
- Chloe and Sam to consider running vaping training for teachers/ in schools,
- Complete an awareness campaign through the use of posters regarding the legal age of vaping, health impacts and how to get support if you want to quit (e.g. would distribute to schools, bins and shops).

### Keep Skipton Tidy:

The competition will be launched this week to schools and youth groups across Skipton (encouraging litter picking). Any group of young people can take part for a chance to win £300, so long as picture evidence is provided.

We began discussing other ideas of what we can do in this campaign. We briefly talked about doing a litter pick in some of tSkipton's parks, but will finish setting out our ideas in the next meeting.

### Sandylands Community day:

Representatives from SYC have attended several planning meetings for this at the Town Hall.

We will be having a stall at the event, in which we are planning to run a BBQ (e.g. selling hotdogs) as well as other fundraising activities (e.g. hook a duck).

### Misc:

- We have had 3 new young people join us over the past few months,
- We have elected a new Vice Chair,

- We had representatives at the Youth Convention at Leeds University, where we won the Region Youth Voice Social Action award for our work in getting the InspireYouth minibus into Skipton and our involvement with the Safety Working Group Committee,
- We had a representative at the devolution event in York on Feb 1st,
- James appeared on BBC Politics North to talk about his views on vaping. He has also been invited to give a talk on vaping at UWS,
- We have also attended Youth Assembly meetings both in person and online, which was, in part, about planning the youth-led Mayoral Hustings in York at some point in April.