Leisure & Amenities Committee

Links with Hazelwood Academy Proposal

1	PROJECT PROPOSAL
1.1	To consider the initiation of a children's/youth council with Hazelwood Academy.
2	INTRODUCTION
2.1	Following the presentation from Susan Irving requesting closer links with the Parish Council, members from L&A have met to consider how best to respond to the opportunity.
	 There is scope to introduce children and young people to the Parish Council and how local democracy works and influencing how decisions are made links with schools on key priorities of the Parish Council e.g. clean and green, wilding & sustainability creating connections that enable the Parish Council to support young people's ideas and projects creating connections that enable the Parish Council to have a sounding board/consultation point
3	PROPOSAL
3.1	It is important to form awareness of what already exists and how the school envisages this relationship moving forward. Parish Councillors for Toothill attend an advisory group with Hazelwood Academy where options for how we can work together will be discussed. Options and opportunities will reported back to the L&A Committee.
4	ІМРАСТ
4.1	If the relationship with Hazelwood Academy can establish how the Parish Council can work with schools to secure a route for engagement as well as supporting young people's ideas, this could form a blueprint for replicating this with other schools in the Parish
5	COSTS
5.1	No identified costs at the current time
6	BUDGET
6.1	To be determined.
7	FINANCIAL & OTHER IMPLICATIONS
7.1	The Parish Council has limited staff resources and will need to consider carefully any potential implications on staffing resources.
8.	RECOMMENDATIONS
8.1	That this Committee notes the feedback from the Toothill Councillors and considers next steps for the proposal.

Paula Harrison, Parish Manager