

ROTARY CLUB OF CANTERBURY.
VOCATIONAL SERVICES COMMITTEE

Minutes of a meeting held 10th November 2015 at the Cricket Ground

Present: Wendy Jones, Alan Mepstead, Nan Miller, Leslie Stephenson, Deborah Connolly, Brian Dobinson, John Beckett.

Apologies: Ian Wright, Tim Brett, Mike Talbot, Brian Wheeler

Minutes of the last meeting: held on 13th October were approved with all matters arising being covered in this meeting's agenda.

1. **Children's Choir.** Feedback from Kerry Boyle is that this is progressing well. AM & PH arranging another meeting to get a further update.
2. **Youth Speaks.** We are hoping to set up a "shootout" between our two entrants, with two teams each from Simon Langton Girls and Barton Court. Noel Ensol has agreed to be a judge. SLGS have agreed to host.
3. **Schools English speaking competition.** Final is set for Wednesday 10th February 2016 at the Guildhall, with Lady Mayor attending. First semi-final was Thursday 12th November but unfortunately three of the six teams pulled out before the event. SLGS and Ashford through to the final. BD & AM attended.
4. **Innovation competition 2016.** BD reported. Poster now approved and Rules and entry form agreed. After discussion, schools allocated to members, if possible with a personal visit. BD will circulate the list. To be put up on both Twitter and Facebook, Kentish Gazette involved. Gary Robinson from Innovation Department at Kent University will go out to all Sixth forms in the area.
5. **CV/Interview training.** To await return of Tim Brett.
6. **Fungi Walk.** Very successful.
7. **Other Events.** Vineyards(AM), Paul Mansfield(TB), RAF Memorial (LS next spring), National Grid(BD), Dover Tunnels (AM), Quex Park(AM). Wendy Jones has investigated visits to the Houses of Parliament and passed details on to Nan Miller to follow up. (THANKS Wendy). We now have a contact for a Tower Bridge trip and AM will follow up.

Any other Business .None.

Date of next meeting. January 12th 2016. No meeting December but AM will update all by e-mail as necessary.