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## Thurrock Youth Cabinet - What is Thurrock Youth Cabinet and what do they do?



Thurrock Youth Cabinet is a group of passionate young people aged 11 to 18 (up to 25 with Special Educational Needs and Disabilities) who work to make Thurrock a better place for young people; run by young people, for young people. Youth Cabinet members come together each month to represent the voice of Thurrock's young people by discussing their views and opinions on issues affecting them and share these with decision makers. They aim to integrate youth views into current and future affairs of Thurrock. Each month a guest speaker attends Youth Cabinet, in November this was the Mayor of Thurrock, Cllr James Halden, and Cabinet Member for Children's Services and Education, Cllr Barry Johnson. They came to speak to Youth Cabinet about their roles and answered lots of questions. Do you have questions you would ask the Mayor or Cllr Barry Johnson? If so, please share them with Youth Cabinet and we will pass them on, email: youthcabinet@thurrock.gov.uk

**Lets debate:** Youth Cabinet's debate topic this month is: should make up be banned in schools?

At the last meeting, this debate got heated and Youth Cabinet were unable to find a winning side, so the argument is still out there for you to join in and debate too! What do you think? You could debate this at your school and feedback to us by emailing: <u>youthcabinet@thurrock.gov.uk</u>.

If you are a young person who lives in Thurrock or goes to school in Thurrock and would like to represent Thurrock as a member of youth cabinet then please <u>email us</u> today to find out more, or for more information visit: <u>thurrock.gov.uk/youthcabinet.</u>