



Members' Code of Conduct

- Make sure you accurately represent the views of the young people you represent.
- Always send apologies when you are unable to attend full youth council meetings. This also applies to cabinet members, committee co-ordinators and outside board members in respect of their duties at meetings.
- Always provide a positive image of the Medway Youth Council when in public.
- Show respect for all MYC members and all participants in MYC related events at all times.
- Members should get permission from Medway Youth Council before using the MYC name to support an opinion, or before acting as a MYC representative. Permission can be gained by raising the matter at any appropriate meeting.
- Members should not use their MYC membership in connection with any political party.
- Members will behave professionally in MYC settings with regard to relationships.
- Members should challenge inappropriate behaviour or words.

At meetings

- Raise your hand when you wish to speak and wait for the chair to indicate that it is your turn
- If you wish to raise a point that is not on the agenda, speak to the Chair before the meeting and ask for it to be put under 'any other business'
- Respect whoever is speaking at the time, and do not interrupt
- Mobile phones should be on silent and only used to access calendars
- Everyone's opinion is valid and should be respected
- Listen to all points of view before finalising your decision
- Support and help all members to feel included and welcome – especially new members