

Minutes of the Meeting of the Dunkeld Youth Association (DYA)

Date: 04/06/2025

Venue: St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee

Time: 6:00 PM

Present:

Fr. Michael, Aimee, Charis, James, Ben, Alexander, Alisha, Benito, Ewan

1. Opening

Fr. Michael led the opening prayer, officially beginning the meeting. The meeting was then handed over to Charis.

2. AGM

Charis handed out sheets explaining the proposed structure for the DYA ([available here](#)). The following positions were then discussed for appointments:

- Coordinators (1-2) → Elected Charis & Aimee
- Social Media Rep/s (1-2) → Elected James
- Parish Representatives → See current list [here](#)

It was noted that for the present, duties such as secretary etc would be absorbed by the Coordinator role, however as the DYA grows, this may be created as a separate position.

3. Next Event - 29 June 2025

A planning committee was formed for the next DYA event, with the following members:

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| → Kirsty | → Ben | → Niamh | → James |
| → Alisha | → Charis | → Aimee | → Fr. Michael |

The table was then open for some initial brainstorming about the event, and it was decided that this should be a relaxed barbecue social for young adults before the summer break. A change in location was discussed, as well as the potential for some games and activities for the day, to be decided by the planning committee at a later date.

4. Round Table Ideas

Members were then invited to share any thoughts or ideas for potential activities or events going forward for the DYA:

- Praise & Worship evenings
- Trip to Pluscarden (or other places)
- Retreat days
- Football/sports day
- Potluck supper (different day/location to Cathedral dinners)
- Board games
- Movie nights
- Ceilidh
- Collaborate/invite e.g. Christian Union, Catholic Societies

5. Proposal for 'Neocatechumenal Way' Visit

Following an inspiring testimony from Kelly O'Reilly (director of NCW youth in Athens, Greece) at our Quiz Night event in May, Charis was put in touch with the UK coordinators for the organisation to find out some more information about them. They have offered to come up to Dundee, along with some of the Scottish community based in Glasgow, and join a meeting with the DYA to share their community, hear from the young people and families who are part of it in Scotland, and share how they can support us in Dundee/Dunkeld Diocese.

- The group were supportive of this, and suggested a date either the week of 21 July, or mid-August

6. Next Meeting

The next meeting will be 29 June, and there was a suggestion to host an informal sports/games day at Magdalene Green at some point in July.

7. Closing

The meeting concluded at about 7:30 PM with a closing prayer and blessing from Fr. Michael.