

Citizenship & Local Democracy Presentations

Every child matters, and, as part of our commitment to provide local leadership and to promote good citizenship, the Office of the Mayor offers a range of presentations tailored to suit all ages to assist schools in the teaching of citizenship as part of the National Curriculum.

Presentations can be designed to fit with previous coursework or can provide an introduction to the subject. The Mayor is introduced as the First Citizen of the Borough and principal ambassador of the Council, while for older pupils a more challenging interactive question and answer session can discuss the Mayor's role as Chairman of the Council and look at such topics as:

- * Why have local councils?
- * What services do local councils provide?
- * The three tiers of local government - which council provides which services?
- * How are the Councillors chosen?
- * What do the Councillors do?
- * Who is the Leader of the Council?
- * What is the Mayor's role?
- * What career opportunities exist within local government?

Please contact the Mayor's Office to discuss your particular requirements.

School visits to the Council Chamber at Woodgate Chambers

Visits can be booked on any day of the week subject to the availability of the Mayor. Presentations normally last 90 minutes.

- * Pupils are seated in the refurbished chamber of the old Magistrates Court.
- * The Mayor enters wearing the robe and chain of office
- * The Mayor welcomes the pupils
- * The Civic Officer leads the presentation
- * The Mayor takes questions
- * Group photos can be taken with the Mayor
- * Fruit juice and biscuits can be served
- * Pupils can explore the Chamber and the Mayor's Parlour at the Town Hall.
- * The Mayor shakes hands with pupils as they leave.

Each presentation is tailored to suit the requirements of the school. Please do not hesitate to call us to discuss your particular needs. Supporting material in the form of booklets or photocopy sheets can be supplied in advance or following a presentation. A wide range of information is also available in the Council and Democracy section of the Charnwood website.

There is no charge for any of the services provided by the Office of the Mayor. We regret that we are unable to contribute towards the travel expenses for visiting groups. Woodgate Chambers is fully accessible by all. A pre-prepared risk assessment for school visits is available on request.

Mayoral visits to schools

Visits can be booked at any time on any day of the week subject to the availability of the Mayor. The presentation will be varied according to the time available and is often fitted into a slightly extended assembly or single period lesson.

- * The civic party is met at the school door by a senior teacher and/or pupils.
- * The Mayor robes (if required) in a suitable room (often the Head Teacher's office)
- * The Mayor is announced and enters the hall/classroom.
- * The Civic Officer leads the presentation.
- * The Mayor takes questions.
- * The Mayor retires and changes (if robed)
- * The Mayor can tour the classrooms taking more questions if required.

Historical Presentations

Tours of the Civic Suite at Loughborough Town Hall available to all residents of the Borough

- * Learn about the role of the Mayor
- * Any size of group welcome (6 - 60 people)
- * Inspect the civic insignia and silver
- * Tailored to suit any age group and your interests
- * Hear more about the history of Charnwood
- * Contact the Mayor's Office for further details and available dates
- * See how the Victorian Magistrates Court has been modernised

A wide range of presentation topics are available such as the history of the Loughborough Charter Fair, the building of Loughborough Town Hall and the story of the Fearon Fountain.

Please ask for details.

Contacting the Office of the Mayor

The Mayor's Office is available to assist you with invitations to the Mayor, advice on all civic matters and to arrange tours of the Civic Suite at Loughborough Town Hall and presentations at other venues.

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