Youth Council

Climate Emergency

WOKINGHAM BOROUGH COUNCIL

The youth council held its first formal meeting this month with a session all about climate change. The topic was chosen by members of the youth council as an issue they want to act on.

The youth council were joined by Matt Knight, head of ecology and sustainability at Shinfield St Mary's CofE Junior School who shared the award winning initiatives that the school has implemented, including aquaponics, composting, worm farms, a solar powered dome and a hugelkultur.

Members of our climate emergency team then spoke with the young people, introducing them to the climate emergency plan and talking about recycling and the circular economy. They also took part in an activity getting them to think of the key barriers with tackling climate emergency.

Finally, the youth council representative for climate change left the members with a challenge, to encourage their schools to take part in the six week Climate Action Project launching 27 September.

A sub-committee will be formed to focus on climate emergency and is open to any interested young person in the borough age 11 to 18. If you are interested in joining, or know someone that is, please contact Ellen or Sarah..