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Colne Junior Council in Fundraising Event Brainstorm

It turns out, you *can* have too many good ideas! At this month's Colne Junior Council, the ideas for fundraising for **Colne Open Door Centre** were flowing thick and fast. Family events, picnics, concerts, grocery collections, fancy dress collections, cookery demonstrations, races, dog shows – all were mooted by the Junior Councillors and their teachers.

In the end, it was decided to hold another meeting to choose the form of the events and the dates for them too.

The chairmanship of the Junior Council has been taken by former Vice Chair, Ade, from West Street Primary, and this has created a vacancy, which will be filled at the next meeting.

Vice Principal of Nelson and Colne College Sixth Form, Fionnuala Swann, attended the Junior Council and offered help from the College's students studying marketing and digital media in terms of raising awareness about the extent of Child Poverty in Pendle and also promoting any fundraising events.

Nick Alderson, manager of Open Door Charity, which the Junior Council has decided to fundraise for this year, was a surprise attendee at the Council. Since the last Junior Council, he had spoken to his trustees and they felt that, given there would be upfront costs in arranging fundraising events, that they should help with these. The Junior Council was delighted that Nick brought a cheque for £300 with him in order to help them get started. [See less](#)

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