## **Record of Meeting: Youth Council**

Venue & Time	Committee Room 2, 4-5.30pm, 31 August 2011
Present	<ul> <li>Members: Emily Murphy, Katja Heesterman, Rebecca Christini, Ben Ogilvie, Susie Larken, Duncan Armstrong, Morgan Watkins, Zared Wall-Manning, Zoe Doole</li> <li>Council Officers: Simon Wright</li> <li>Councillor: Cr Simon Marsh</li> <li>Guests: Parehinetai Stewart, Diane White (Sustainable Futures Institute)</li> </ul>
Apologies	James Wall-Manning, Bing-Ying Lou, Ruth Corkill, Jack Marshall, Kieran Meredith, Ricki Lambert, Stevenson Pule

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## Minutes

	Agenda Item	Key points / Decisions
1	Welcome the group	Emily welcomed the group and noted that formal decisions could not be made due to lack of quorum. Parehinetai Stewart, who is on Marcus Akuhata-Brown's Rangatahi Leadership Programme which sponsored by the Mayors Taskforce for Jobs and Te Puni Kokiri, was welcomed to the meeting.
2	Apologies	See above
3	Previous minutes	The minutes could not be finalised due to lack of quorum. This will be done next meeting. Action: Finalise minutes for the 17 August meeting at the 14 September meeting
	Matters Arising	-
4	What's on top	-

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		Due to so many members being absent, it was decided to ask present members for comments on any of the portfolios (rather than go through the scheduled report backs).
		<b>Community Engagement</b> – it was noted the 'Wellywood' sign competition has been publically announced. Information on how to participate is to be loaded on the Youth Council Facebook page.
		Arts and Culture – it was noted that there was an Arts Festival associated with the Rugby World Cup, that the Cuba St Carnival was going ahead and that the World of Wearable Arts is one of the best things in Wellington.
		<b>Transport</b> – it was noted than more Matangi trains are now operating and that it was necessary to follow how public submissions influence the LTNZ 'flyover project'.
		<b>Climate Change</b> – it was noted that a report on the effectiveness of WCC's Climate Change Action Plan 2010 and future directions is due at SPC in September.
	Portfolio reportbacks / Forward	<b>Community Facilities</b> – the leases policy review was identified as a potential area of interest for Youth Council.
	programme	Natural Environment – a Town Belt submission has been drafted (see General Business below).
		<b>Emergency Management</b> – Ben has been trying to get in touch with the Wellington Emergency Management Office (WEMO) and the Victoria University civil defence people about 'what to do in an earthquake' awareness raising.
		There were no reports for the following portfolios: Built Environment, Finance, Governance
		Actions:
		<ul> <li>Load information about the 'Wellywood' sign competition on the Youth Council Facebook page</li> </ul>
		• Simon to put Rebecca in touch with the officer leading the leases policy review
		• <b>Ben</b> to contact WEMO and the Victoria University civil defence people about 'what to do in an earthquake' awareness raising.

6	General Business	<b>Report back on National Youth Forum on Cultural Diversity</b> Morgan spoke about his experience and said that the key message from youth was that 'we need opportunities: fair employment and education'.
		<b>Long Term Plan session</b> It was agreed that the session on the Long Term Plan scheduled for the 28 September meeting could run for an hour longer than usual. Most members said that they could stay for the additional hour.
		<b>Action : Simon</b> to schedule a Long Term Plan session at the 28 September meeting, which will run from 4.00 to 6.30pm.
		<b>Research collaboration with Year 11 Wellington High School geography</b> classes Emily and Susie have met with the teacher and developed a plan. The research will inform 2040 and Long Term Plan work.
		Action: Emily to inform WCC officer, Aroha Rangi, about this research project
		<b>A manual for YC members</b> The working group will meet on Wednesday 7 September at WCC.
		Action: Simon to book a meeting room for Ben, Zared, Susie, Katja and Emily for 4pm, 7 September
		<b>Town Belt submission</b> A draft submission was discussed and amendments made.
		Action: Zared to amend draft submission and send it to Simon. Simon to circulate for an email vote to ratify the submission.

Publicity draftsBing's publicity drafts were discussed. Of the colour versions, members preferred the yellow one. Of the black and white versions, the first one was preferred. Additionally , members thought the drafts would be better if Wellington images were used (e.g. the Beehive, the fern ball) instead of the abstract shapes. Images should be faint so that words would be more prominent.Action: Bing to consider comments and bring final drafts to the next meeting for ratification.
<b>Invite to 2011 Youth Hui (Levin) and 'Step up'</b> Members were encouraged to consider attending.
<b>'Generation Waking Up'</b> Background information was tabled.
WCC Transport Safety project on young drivers Members confirmed that they were interested in a session on this project.
Action: Simon to make arrangements with Transport Safety for the next meeting
<b>YOUth in Local Government Leadership Conference</b> Members were enthusiastic about this conference but none wanted to submit an abstract.

		Sustainable Futures Institute projects on the electoral system referendum and the constitutional review project Diane White outlined these projects and sort advice on how best to engage with youth. A number of members expressed interest in being involved with the project.
		Meeting closed at 5:25pm
7	Closing/Karakia	Next meeting: 14 September 2011
	Actions summary	<ol> <li>Finalise minutes for the 17 August meeting at the 14 September meeting</li> <li>Load information about the 'Wellywood' sign competition on the Youth Council Facebook page</li> <li>Simon to put Rebecca in touch with the officer leading the leases policy review</li> <li>Ben to contact WEMO and the Victoria University civil defence people about 'what to do in an earthquake' awareness raising.</li> <li>Simon to schedule a Long Term Plan session at the 28 September meeting, which will run from 4.00 to 6.30pm.</li> <li>Emily to inform WCC officer, Aroha Rangi, about this research project.</li> <li>Simon to book a meeting room for Ben, Zared, Susie, Katja and Emily for 4pm, 7 September.</li> <li>Zared to amend draft submission and send it to Simon. Simon to circulate for an email vote to ratify the submission.</li> <li>Bing to consider comments and bring final drafts to the next meeting for ratification.</li> <li>Simon to make arrangements with Transport Safety for the next meeting</li> </ol>