

## Record of Meeting: Youth Council

**Venue** Committee Room 2, 101 Wakefield St, Wellington  
**When** 4.00 pm -5.30 pm, 12 June 2013

### Present

**Members:** Amanda Yong, Ben Oglivie, Brittany Hogan, Cameron Oldfield, Daisy Lutyens, Duncan Armstrong, Erin Lockhart, Jack Marshall, Lily Simmons-Donaldson, Maddie Bell, Morgan Watkins, Oliver Michie, Petelo Leaupepe, Rawinia Thompson, Sean Johnson, Zoe Doole.  
**Officers:** Simon Wright (Senior Advisor, Consultation and Engagement), Charlie Inggs (WCC Electoral Officer)  
**Guests:** Raewynne Uren and Toni Weir (Registrars of Electors), and Sonny Thomas (Mokai Kaianga)

## Minutes

### 1. Opening

Jack welcomed everyone.

### 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Bing-Ying Lou, Stevenson Pule and Cr Marsh.

### 3. What's on top?

Each member shared with the group an important thing that is going on in their life.

### 4. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### 5. Previous minutes and matters arising

Erin moved the minutes as true and correct. Morgan seconded the motion and it was passed.

### 6. Portfolios / Forward Programme

Ollie flagged that that ultrafast broadband cable being laid in central Wellington streets. Morgan noted that WCC had decided to support a unitary model of regional governance. It was thought that GWRC had also decided to support this model.

### 7. General Business

#### Election project

Charlie Inggs (WCC Electoral Officer), Raewynne Uren and Toni Weir (Registrars of Electors), and Sonny Thomas (Mokai Kaianga) presented on the election process including who can enrol, key dates for the 2013 local body elections, who can stand as a candidate, voting systems, processes for casting votes, the Kids Voting programme, what is know about why youth people tend not to enrol and vote, and about successful approaches to overcome these trends.

Sean, Ben, Erin, Brittany, Maddie, Zoe, Rawinia, Ollie and Jack volunteered to form a working group to develop a YC project to get more young people enrolled and voting. Rawinia will lead this working group.

## **Confirmation of work programme**

The finalised YC work programme for 2013 was tabled and confirmed.

## **Working group meetings**

YC agreed with a proposal that working group meeting generally be held directly after full YC meetings. It was also agreed that each working group should have a leader.

## **Our Volunteer Capital**

YC will invite the responsible City Councillor and/or WCC officers to investigate how the YC could be involved in the WCC's new volunteering programme. Volunteering is a good way for young people to get the experience needed to get jobs.

### **Actions:**

- Simon to invite the City Councillor and/or WCC officers to a YC meeting

## **Our Capital Spaces**

Ollie and Petelo will lead the working group to produce a draft YC submission for the next YC meeting. Zoe flag that she would not now be able to participate in the working group.

## **Cultural Diversity Forum**

Morgan and Ben spoke about their experiences at previous diversity forums. Zoe expressed an interest in attending. Other members should express their interest to Simon by Friday 14 June, and Simon is to let YC members not at the meeting know.

### **Actions:**

- Members to express their interest in attending the Forum to Simon by Friday 14 June
- Simon to let YC members not at the meeting know about this opportunity

## **Our Living City feedback**

It was decide that Simon should seek clarification from Amber Bill on how the YC could assist with the Our Living City (OLC) work. Members were not sure who was in the OLC working group and it was decided that working groups and their members should be listed on the back of the agenda.

### **Actions:**

- Simon to seek clarification from Amber Bill about how the YC could assist with the Our Living City (OLC) work
- Simon to list working groups and their members on the back of the agenda

## **WCC Loomio discussions on alcohol**

It was noted that participants in the most recent discussion thread in the WCC's online forums for the alcohol strategy were talking about young people and pre- and side-loading very negatively. Members were invited to participate in these discussions as individuals, not as Youth Council representatives.

## **Meeting with ACTIVE**

ACTIVE has invited the YC to present to it on how its members might get involved, get heard and impact decisions that affect them. ACTIVE is a youth leadership group at Idea

Services, which is a part of IHC, and meets every Tuesday morning. Duncan is a member of ACTIVE and will talk with the rest of this group about the Youth Council with Zoe. Sean also expressed interest.

### **8. Closing**

The meeting closed at 5.30pm. The next YC meeting starts at 4.00pm, 26 June 2013 in Committee Room 2.

### **Decision and Action Summary**

1. Simon to invite the City Councillor and/or WCC officers to a YC meeting
2. Members to express their interest in attending the Cultural Diversity Forum to Simon by Friday 14 June
3. Simon to let YC members not at the meeting know about this opportunity
4. Simon to seek clarification from Amber Bill about how the YC could assist with the Our Living City work
5. Simon to list working groups and their members on the back of the agenda