

## Record of Meeting: Youth Council

**Venue** Committee Room 2, 101 Wakefield Street, Wellington  
**When** 4-5.30 pm, 16 May 2012

### Present

**Members:** Ani-Piki Tuari, Ben Ogilvie, Bing-Ling Lou, Brittany Trilford, Brydon Sundgren, Cameron Oldfield, Devon Robinson, Duncan Armstrong, Edgardo Reyes, Jack Marshall, Lily Simmons-Donaldson, Morgan Watkins, Ruth Corkill, Zoe Doole  
**Councillor:** Cr Simon Marsh  
**Officers:** Simon Wright, Rekha Jatav

## Minutes

### 1. Opening

Zoe welcomed the group.

### 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Therese Kyne, Zared Wall-Manning, Roma Simmons-Donaldson, Stevenson Pule and James Wall-Manning. Simon Wright, Brydon Sundgren, Lily Simmons-Donaldson and Ani-Piki Tuari apologised for leaving early. Edgardo Reyes apologised for being late.

### 3. What's on top

Members reported a diverse range of 'what's on top' activities including the petition for assets sale, attending sister cities conference and getting into Model UN.

### 4. Previous minutes and matters arising

Jack passed the minutes with accepted changes. Morgan seconded the motion.

### 5. Portfolio/Forward Programme

Members reported on a Civil Defence Emergency Management course run by Wellington Emergency Management Office (WEMO), WCC starting on 6 June. The course would run on every Wednesday night for two hours for about eight weeks. It would cover training on radio communication, setting up welfare centres and helping disaster affected people. Anyone can join this training and help in emergencies when required.

Members reported on the Wellington Regional Governance review. Simon mentioned that Zared wanted to flag Local Government Reforms and that WCC has opened its consultation running from 16 May – 29 June. A working group party was convened. Jack, Morgan, Zoe, Ben and Zared have expressed interest and are to work on this. The working group will meet next week to do some work and put some questions for WCC officer. Simon will organise a WCC officer to talk on the Wellington Regional Governance review at the next meeting on 30 May.

Members notes that the Draft Events Policy consultation will close on 30 May.

Ruth reported about the National Diversity Forum 2012 which will run for three days. Young people will have the chance to contribute their views to the wider Forum. Youth will put a short presentation on the day of Forum. A preliminary survey is being conducted at this stage and Youth Council can participate in this survey as a group or individually. Ruth will send details about the survey and the Diversity Forum. The survey questions were discussed at the meeting. Members can email their answers in a week's time to Naomi Taylor at Human Rights Commission at [naomit@hrc.co.nz](mailto:naomit@hrc.co.nz)

## **6. General Business**

### **Long Term Plan submission**

Zoe briefed members about the LTP working group's findings. The working group felt that this time there is more constraint in terms of budget. The working group focussed on five areas of the draft Long Term Plan consultation which are growing our economy; enhancing resilience; transportation; maintaining Wellington as an inclusive place where talent wants to live; and balancing our budget. Youth Council members teased out what the group proposed and agreed in principal to the findings. Ben circulated suggestions from the YC members responsible for Built Environment & Emergency Management portfolio group for the LTP working submission. LTP working group party will finalise the working submission and submit by Friday 18 May.

### **Wellington Mission for Youth (WMY) session**

Devon gave a brief overview of the Wellington Mission for Youth (WMY) session which was held at the Council Chambers on Tuesday 8 May. Wellington Mission for Youth's six students and their teacher Sarah Tamaki met with the Mayor Celia Wade-Brown and later visited the Central Library.

Devon suggested that we should host another session at a later date so that remaining WMY students can attend. Some of the WMY students are likely to submit for Youth Council membership next year.

### **Draft Events Policy**

The Draft Events Policy working group submission was circulated. The item was deferred as the Long Term Plan working group submission had to be agreed in principal at the meeting. The Draft Events Policy will be discussed at the next working group meeting.

### **Conflicts of Interest**

This item was deferred. A few members completed conflict of interest forms.

## **6. Closing**

The meeting formally closed at 6:00pm. The next meeting is on 30 May 2012 in Committee Room 2.

### **Action Summary**

1. Simon to organise a WCC officer to talk on the Wellington Regional Governance review at the next meeting.
2. Ruth to send details about the National Diversity Forum 2012.