

Record of Meeting: Youth Council

Venue Committee Room 2, 101 Wakefield St, Wellington

When 4.00 pm - 5.45 pm, 7 August 2013

Present

Members: Amanda Yong, Ben Oglivie, Bing-Ying Lou, Brittany Hogan, Daisy Lutyens, Duncan Armstrong, Erin Lockhart, Jack Marshall, Maddie Bell, Petelo Leaupepe, Rawinia Thompson, Sean Johnson, Stevenson Pule, Zoe Doole

Councillor: Cr Simon Marsh

Officers: Simon Wright (Senior Advisor, Consultation and Engagement), Nigel Taptiklis (Policy Advisor), Elise Webster (Principle Advisor, Transport Strategy)

Minutes

1. Opening

Jack welcomed everyone. Members of the Alcohol Management Strategy group who had just made an oral submission to the Strategy and Policy Committee were congratulated on their excellent presentation by Simon Wright and Cr Marsh.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Devon, Lily, Ollie and Morgan. Rawinia apologised for arriving late.

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

Bing moved the minutes as true and correct. Petelo seconded the motion and it was passed.

6. Portfolios / Forward Programme

This item was deferred.

7. General Business

Volunteering

Nigel Taptiklis provided the YC with a summary of the WCC's Our Volunteer Capital including its objectives, its approach and some of the work streams. Nigel cited Porter Gale's book "Your network is your net worth" because it captures well a great reason for volunteering. After some general discussion, it was left with the YC to contact Nigel if it wants to get involved in any of the WCC's volunteering work.

Outcome of the MYD grant application

The YC's grant application to the Ministry of Youth Development for its earthquake preparedness crowdsourcing project was declined. An application will now be made to the UNESCO Youth Forum initiative.

Local Body Elections project update

Rawinia spoke to the tabled project update. The project is on track.

Position on the Evolve Board

Sean, Bing and Ben expressed interested in a Board position with Evolve. Other members can express interest by Friday 9 August.

YC Performance Expectations

This item was deferred.

Living Wage

Elise Webster gave a brief presentation about the in-principle decision for WCC to become a Living Wage Council and about the possibility of Wellington becoming a Living Wage City. A living wage is the pay rate required to support 2 adults and 2 children have a modest lifestyle on one full time and one part time wage. In Wellington the rate has been calculated at \$18.40 per hour, which is significantly higher than the minimum wage, which is currently \$13.75. Officers will be reporting back to City Councillors in November with options for implementing the Living Wage at WCC.

YC members then debated the pros and cons of Living Wage and agreed to discuss this further at a later date.

Farewell Stevenson

Stevenson informed everyone that this was his last meeting, having served on the YC for 6 years. Stevenson will leave in 2 weeks time for an exchange in the United States of America.

8. Closing

The meeting closed at 5.30pm. The next YC meeting starts at 4.00pm, 7 August 2013 in Committee Room 2.

Decision and Action Summary

1. YC to contact Nigel if it wants to get involved in any of the WCC's volunteering work.
2. Sean, Bing and Ben expressed interested in a Board position with Evolve. Other members can express interest by Friday 9 August.
3. The Living Wage proposal is to be discussed at a future meeting