

## Record of Meeting: Youth Council

**Venue:** Committee Room 2, 101 Wakefield St, Wellington

**When:** 4.00 - 5.30 pm, 28 May 2014

**Present:**

**Members:** Amanda Yong, Ben Ogilvie, Bing-Ying Lou, Brittany Hogan, Erin Lockhart, Jack Marshall, Morgan Watkins, Oliver Michie, Petelo Leaupepe, Sean Johnson

**Councillor:** Simon Woolf

**Officers:** Simon Wright (Consultation and Engagement); Lisa Matthews

**Guests:** Timothy Rutherford, Eugenie van Paassen, Grace Nunn; Simon Makaro (Evolve)

## Minutes

### 1. Opening

Jack welcomed everyone.

### 2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Daisy Lutyens and Maddie Bell. Bing apologised for arriving late. Ben apologised for leaving early.

### 3. What's on top

Everyone shared an important thing that is going on in their life with the group. Cr Woolf congratulated the YC on a fantastic Youth Week event. He reported that the teacher from Queen Charlotte College had been very impressed. He also reported that Greater Wellington Regional Council had decided not to increase bus fares.

### 4. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

### 5. Previous minutes and matters arising

Morgan moved that the minutes for the previous meeting be accepted as true and correct. Ollie seconded the motion and it was passed.

It was reported that the Town Belt Bill may not have its first reading before the election so the YC is unlikely to be able to make a submission on it to the select committee until next year.

### 6. General Business

#### Review of Advisory Groups

The YC reviewed documents from the officers carrying out the advisory group review including a new draft Terms of Reference and a sample of what an expectations-setting letter might look like. The YC reviewed these documents section by section and will meet to prepare its formal feedback at 4pm on Wednesday 4 June. Simon is to book a meeting room.

#### Video project update

The next working group is meeting after the YC meeting.

### **Work programme planning**

This item was deferred.

### **Gardens Management Plan submission**

The YC will progress making a submission on Loomio. Simon is to set up a discussion thread.

### **Lower North Island Youth Council Conference 2014, 14-15 July**

Ollie, Bing, Erin and Jack are interested in attending.

### **Sister Cities Art Competition**

Bing flagged that Sister Cities is about to run an art competition and encouraged YC members to take part.

### **Youth Week project**

Sixty-seven people attended including a class from Queen Charlotte College, Picton. The event was organised in a very short time and was excellent. There were a range of stories about tough situations and successful change, and it was great to see Evolve's work acknowledged. The whole event was really emotional and it was amazing how people opened up in front of strangers.

Success factors included:

- Excellent facilitation by Bing and Simon M
- Sharing food first help set up the right atmosphere for sharing stories
- The 3 organisations involved brought people along from their diverse communities
- There was excellent leadership and delegation of responsibility
- The event structure was simple
- YC led the event itself

Outcomes included:

- Queen Charlotte College is going to schedule it yearly trip to Wellington for Youth Week so that its students can attend similar events
- The Minister of Youth Affairs heard about the event the next day
- The YC should be confident about future events as it pulled off something great in a very short time

The YC should look at collaborating with Evolve and Youthline again next Youth Week and make the event bigger. The next event needs to ensure that support is available after the event.

Simon W is to bring materials from the event to the next YC meeting.

## **7. Closing**

The meeting closed at 5.30pm. The next YC meeting starts at 4.00pm, 11 June 2014 in the Community Room, which is on the Mezzanine floor of the Central Library.

## **Decision and Action Summary**

1. Simon to book a meeting room for a meeting to prepare feedback on the draft Terms of Reference for 4pm, Wednesday 4 June.
2. Simon to set up a discussion thread on Loomio to progress a Gardens Management Plan submission.
3. Simon to bring Youth Week event materials to next YC meeting