

Minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 15 July 2020

Time 4:02 pm – 5:33 pm
Venue Ngake – Room 16.09, Tahiwī, 113 The Terrace, Wellington

Members present

Chair Ella Flavell
Members Anastasia Reid, Brad Olsen, Carl Bennett, Ella Flavell (Chair), Jackson Lacy, Laura Jackson (Deputy Chair), Shelly Liang, Tim Rutherford, Tony Huang
Staff Sean Johnson (Democracy Advisor)

Minutes

1. Meeting Procedures 4:02 pm

1.1. The meeting opened at 4:02 pm. Apologies were received from the following members:

- Bethany, Neesha, Grace, John, Raihaan, Cr Day, Meredith Blackler – for absence.

Resolved That Youth Council accepts the given apologies.

Ella Flavell (Chair) / Jackson Lacy

CARRIED

(Tony arrived at 4:05 pm)

1.2. Youth Council members shared what was on top for them this week.

1.3. No conflicts of interest were declared.

1.4. The minutes of the previous meeting were presented for confirmation.

Resolved That Youth Council accepts the minutes of the previous meeting as a true and correct record.

Ella Flavell (Chair) / Tony Huang

CARRIED

1.5. No announcements were made.

2. Discussion 4:08 pm

2.1. Cemeteries Management Plan Review

Shona McCahon presented an overview of Councils review of the Cemetery Management Plan.

The overview included details of Councils current provision of cemetery services and noted that we will begin to reach capacity in the early 2030's. It also highlighted the following particular challenges with the provision of cemetery services going forwards:

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- Acquisition of appropriate land for expansion
- Environmental management
- Changes in practices and expectations
- Maintenance of heritage sites
- Appropriate recreation

Shona gave an overview of the process with the review from here. She indicated that the review was currently in a pre-engagement stage and would likely go out for formal consultation in October. Youth Council was invited to submit at that stage of the process.

Youth Councillors split into three groups and held discussion on the following questions. Their answers are attached at the conclusion of these minutes.

1. To save cemetery space, should future graves be re-used after a while. If 'yes' after how long – 50/80/00 years?
2. Bearing in mind costs, should old graves
 - a. Be preserved as if new, or
 - b. Allowed to age and become overgrown?
3. What kind of recreational activities are appropriate in cemeteries?

2.2. We Are Wellington: How should we interact with children and young people?

Kate Hodgett presented to the group on some potential work that the Council will be doing looking at how the Council works with children and young people. Kate noted that this work was still in the very early stages and was interested in Youth Council's thoughts to help scope the work.

Youth Council Split into three groups to answer the following questions. Their answers are attached at the bottom of these minutes.

1. What are the key issues for children and young people?
2. Describe the different [sub]groups that we need to connect with
3. What is one thing you would do to make Wellington more child and youth friendly for an 8-year-old, a 16-year-old, and a 24-year-old?

(The meeting concluded at 5:33 pm)

① Short-term fix.
Yes, but... → family approval
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80 years

② Require a donation for extra service, but provide a basic service.
— clean the "text area" so you can identify it
Stop service after ³⁰ 30-50 years.

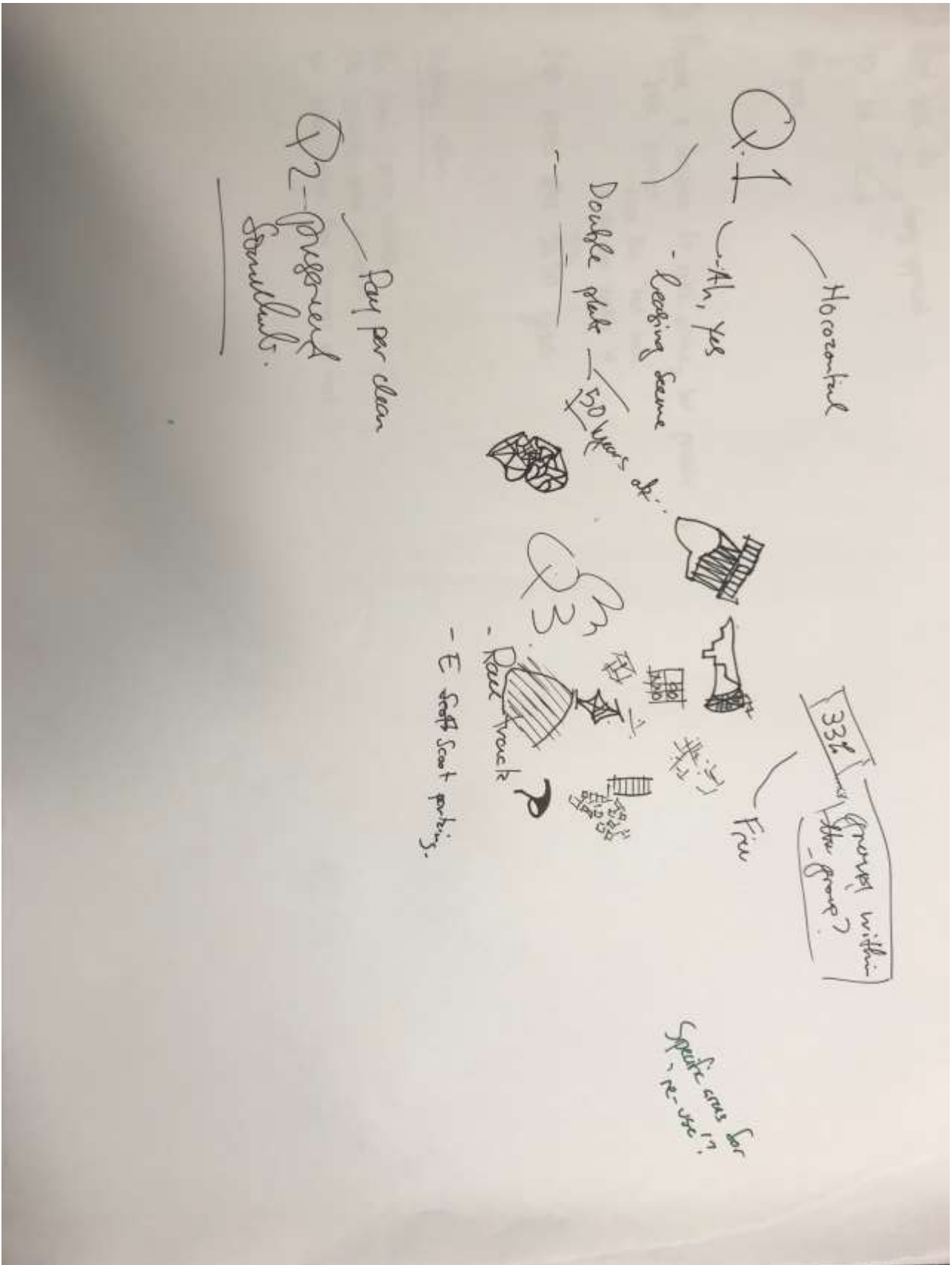
③ Walking, sitting.

No food - reduce rubbish.

No animals - cause disruption.

No bikes. other than transport, on road.

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1. - Follow scientific studies & always check
w/ the family. maybe London model.

- Need to be veryyy careful w/ tikanga: NEEDS to be in plan.

- Always check w/ family.

- Probably make it longer
e.g. 80-100 yrs bc of
memory & lifetime.

MULTIPLE UNDERSTANDINGS
- CHECK w/ THE WHĀNAU

2. - Diff. between plant growth & pollution & polishing head stones

- Utility of the whole site. Mow lawns, pick up rubbish good
but not going as far to polish etc...
"tidy".

3. - Damaging activities, no no e.g. MTB not respecting graves.

- Dogs on leash, w/ owner to pick up after & keep away from headstones.

- ~~Alcohol~~ Liquor ban? / where do you draw the line?

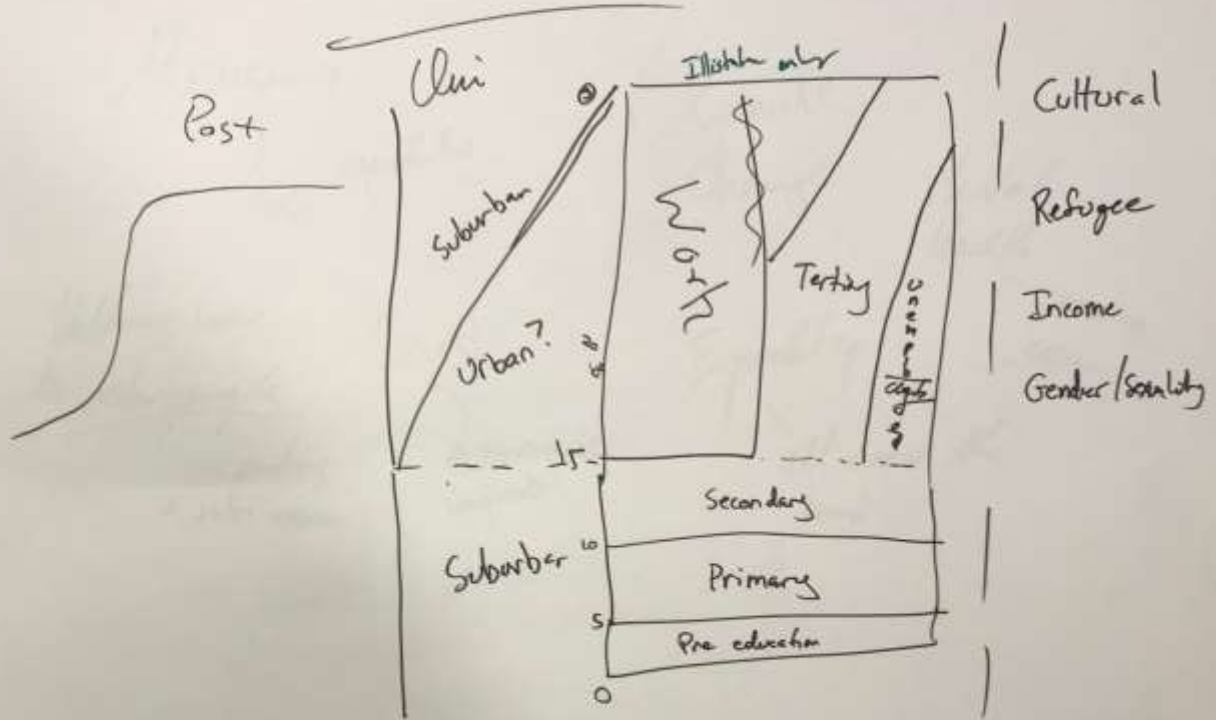
- Biking on sealed rd, not on grass or headstones.

- Geocaching allowed in public areas? Not on headstones/graves.

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COMMON SENSE

What are the different groups?

School levels



One more thing to make Wgtn a more friendly city?

8 yr old

Playground

~~More~~

16 yr old

Transport

More e-scooters + options + transport paths

More accessible GF // Better U18 events to go to

24 yr old

Housing pls

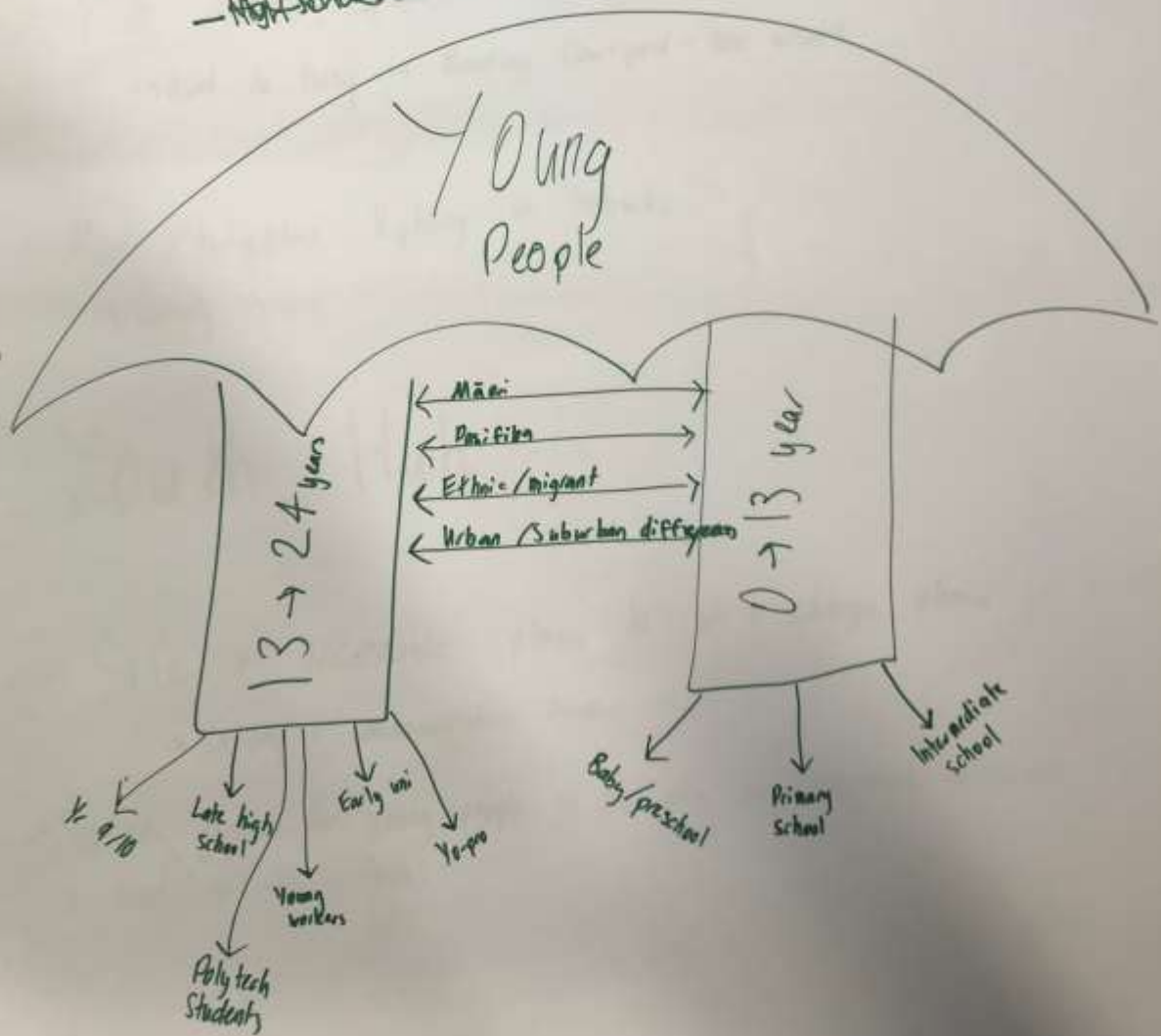
// Safer + reasonable (alcohol) harm reduction

Key Issues

- Specific youth-focused plan in long-term plans.
- ~~Don't~~ Don't only talk to YC. Go into schools.
- Housing!!! City & suburbs & high quality. →
tenancy laws?
quality laws?
- Get YC on board every step of the way.
we would like to be invited/informed.
CULTURE!
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What are the different groups?

- Babies (family) & pre-schoolers.
- Primary schoolers (go into schools & FUN presentations) AND story-time etc... CAPITAL E, TOTOWNS, CHIPMUNKS ETC...
- Intermediate (sports grounds, schools offer FOOD, Council Park)
- High schoolers 13-24 as there



One thing to make Wgtn a more friendly city?

8 yr old
16 yr old
24 yr old

- Free indoor spaces

→ Used to hang in Reading Courtyard - now what?

- More / brighter lighting in Suburbs
→ Safety issues

- Youth Hub

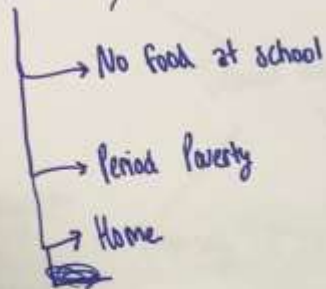
- Safe + accessible places to sit + charge phones
→ Safety + communication issues

- Safety issues for young people in the city are completely different
+ need^{to be} specific focus

Key Issues

→ Climate Change

→ Poverty

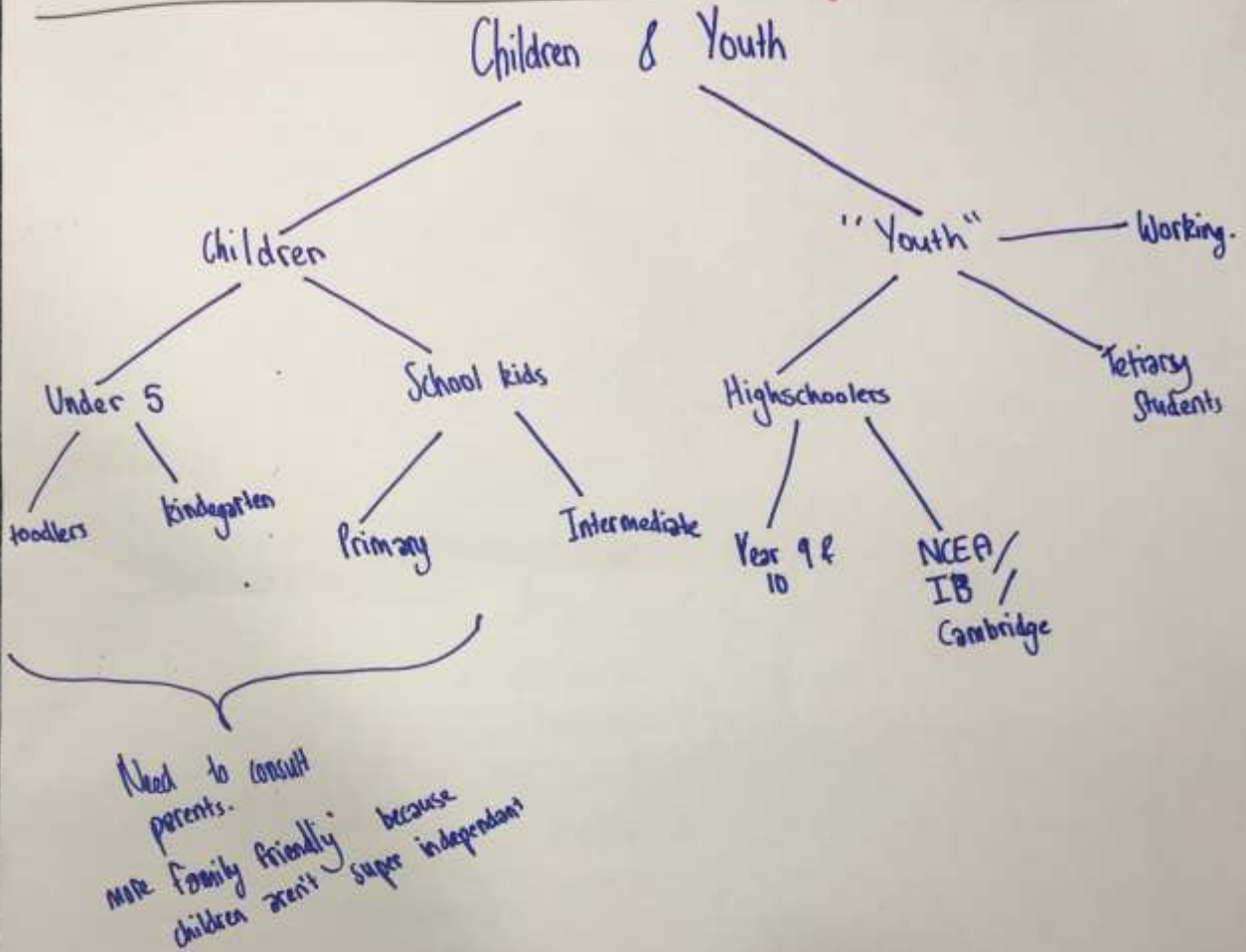


→ Housing Costs

→ Wellbeing

- Removing stigma around mental health
- Opportunities to access mental health services
- Safe & Inclusive spaces

What are the different groups?



One thing to make Wgtn more friendly?

- 8 yr old

- 16 yr old

- 24 yr old

-> More affordable indoor recreational spaces for young people to hang out in

-> Publicising events & services available to young people.

-> More events like festivals

