

Te Rūnanga Taiohi o te Kaunihera o Pōneke

Wellington Youth Council

Minutes

Date: Wednesday, 7 December 2022

Time: 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Venue: Ngake (16.09), Level 16 Tahiwi, 113 The Terrace, Wellington and Zoom

Purpose

- Assist and advise the City Council on how to help grow a great City where young people thrive and contribute to the City Council's priorities.
- Bring extra insight to Council (a youth perspective) to solve problems facing a challenging world.
- Develop the capabilities of its members (including leadership and engaging wider youth).

Membership

Chairperson:	Anastasia Reid
Members:	Andrew Ackerley, Ben Bridle, Artemis Crawford, Keelan Cy Heesterman, Finley Duncan, Ella Flavell, Kalani Fransen, Caspar Levack, Henry Lockhart, Teresa Ng, Ashleigh Putt-Fallows, Anastasia Reid (Chair), Kady Saxon, Josh Taefu (Deputy Chair)
Liaison Councillors:	Councillor Ben McNulty
WCC Staff:	Greer Forde-MacNaughton (Youth Engagement Advisor), Emily Deans (Democracy Advisor), Silas Manuera (Mataaho Aronui Advisor)

Meeting Procedures

The meeting opened at 4:01pm with a karakia.

1. Apologies were received from the following members:

- Ella & Keelan – for lateness.
- Nīkau, Leandra & Meredith– for absence.

No issues were raised with the minutes of the previous meeting.

2. No conflicts of interest were declared.

3. Youth Councillors shared what's on top for them.

Items

1. Updates

- Anastasia mentioned that there will be spaces available to work with the Youth Hub team as Josh is leaving Youth Council in early next year, and in the Safe and Sustainable Transport Forum as Ali has left Youth Council.
 - Youth Hub meetings were every two weeks and can be set up at different times with WCC Community Services team and The Y. Engagement with the design process is the next step. Kady, Teresa and Artemis are all interested. Emily will connect them with the Council officers.
 - Kalani, Andrew and Artemis are all interested in the Safe and Sustainable Transport Forum. Emily will connect them with the Council officers.
 - Please let Emily know if you want to join either of these groups.
- Greer gave an update on what's going on at WCC:
 - Engagement Review has gone to ELT and will let you know how the feedback from Youth Council has been incorporated.
 - Greer is still working on Make it 16, Nīkau sent through quotes but we would love more quotes coming through (from all ages) that will be used for news channel and some social media. Please send any quotes to Greer.
 - Hopefully the voter breakdown of ages should be coming next week.
- Emily led a short debrief on the LGWM combined hui. Firstly, we wanted to know how Youth Councillors found the hui generally, what you liked and didn't like? Youth Councillors had the following key points:
 - It was good to interact with other Advisory Groups and to have in depth discussions.
 - The three groups weren't evenly sized, the MRT group was huge and that left the other groups empty. There could have been further thought into the split across the groups.
 - Youth Council felt like a valued voice in the room.

- Liked how the feedback from other groups was brought back to the main room.
- The format of the conjoined hui was good. Hearing the differing opinions of all the advisory groups was great and made clear the reasons why we have all the advisory groups.
- Liked that the LGWM presenters didn't talk for too long and spent time listening genuinely to the members thoughts. It helped having smaller group.
- Liked the clear questions for each group to answer, especially the questions about the process and construction disruption.
- The MRT group ran out of time.
- The food was really great!!
- Emily is going to check in with Willy about sharing his contact details with Youth Councillors.
- Secondly Emily has been discussing with Willy how Youth Council wanted to work with LGWM going forwards. Youth Councillors had the following points:
 - Send more updates about LGWM via email.
 - Mention key updates in the meetings and then email through the detail.
 - We will organise a LGWM session with Youth Council at a relevant point in 2023.
 - Youth Council will discuss if it would be a good idea to have a LGWM working group in 2023.

2. End of Year picnic in Frank Kitts Park

Youth Councillors walked down to Frank Kitts Park and shared food together and informally discussed the year and plans for the holidays and 2023.

The meeting concluded at 5.31pm with a karakia.

Information

Next meeting date: Wednesday, 8 February 2023

Portfolio / Working Groups:

- Māori & Pacific Island working group (led by Ashleigh)
- Youth Hub working group (Josh, Artemis, Teresa, Kady)
- Safe and Sustainable Transport Forum (Kalani, Andrew and Artemis)
- Communications working group (tbc)