

Record of Meeting: Youth Council

Venue Committee Room 1, 101 Wakefield St, Wellington

When 4.00 pm - 5.30 pm, 24 July 2013

Present

Members: Amanda Yong, Ben Oglivie, Bing-Ying Lou, Daisy Lutyens, Duncan Armstrong, Jack Marshall, Maddie Bell, Oliver Michie, Rawinia Thompson, Stevenson Pule.

Councillor: Cr Simon Marsh

Officers: Lisa Matthews (Senior Advisor, Consultation and Engagement)

Minutes

1. Opening

Jack welcomed everyone.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Brittany, Devon, Erin, Lily, Morgan, Sean and Zoe. Ben 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

Daisy moved the minutes as true and correct. Stevenson seconded the motion and it was passed.

6. Portfolios / Forward Programme

The working group that is going to prepare a submission on the Greater Wellington Regional Council's public transport spine study will agree a time to meet.

Action:

- Lisa to email consultation details regarding the spine study to the working group including Ben and Ollie.

7. General Business

Our Capital Spaces oral submission

The YC's oral submission will be at 3.40 pm, 1 August. Members should support the submitters if possible. Submitters need to prepare in order to make a good oral submission. They can call on other members that have experience with the oral submission process.

Alcohol Management Strategy submission update

No progress has been made since the last meeting. An update will be given at the next meeting.

Local Body Elections project update

The working group reported good progress with work on a website, videos and logo.

Rawinia and Joanne Maraki (Team Leader, Consultation and Engagement) met with people from the WCC's Communications and Marketing team, Publications and Design and Democratic Services about the project.

Ben and Rawinia met a filmmaker to discuss making videos about Council services: this will be a lot of work and will take real commitment and the support of all YC members. Rawinia will send out a filming timeline to see if members can help out.

Sean is developing a micro website separate from the Council's. This is better from a Democratic Services point of view.

Rawinia met with the Victoria University of Wellington Students Association about their campaign, which will include a mayoral debate. YC may collaborate with VUWSA on this.

The Working Group is working on youth-related survey questions for Wellington candidates in the upcoming local body elections. Cr Marsh suggested asking "what do youth need?" The need for simple, plain language was noted. Lisa offered to put the YC in touch with the Accessibility Advisory Group to ensure accessibility of information.

The Working Group will continue to keep the full YC up to date with progress.

Developing a Youth Council Logo

The current logo is not very inspiring. The Elections Working Group discussed this at a meeting with the WCC's Publication and Design (P&D) team. P&D will provide an estimate for developing a logo. Members developed ideas for a new logo in small groups.

Grants

Members were interested in forming a grants working group but wanted more information first. It was suggested that Mark Farrar, the Team Leader for Funding and Relationships, be invited to talk with the Youth Council about grants.

Loomio

Members broke into small groups to review how YC uses Loomio and then agreed the following:

What works well for us?

- Great system outside of meetings
- Voting / pie charts
- Email update good (but bad if unnecessary (e.g. not on sub-group))
- Linking to documents
- Discussion forum
- Layout - easy to understand discussion thread

What doesn't work?

- Notifications don't show read and unread
- Finding the proposal hard – no home page
- Logging in a hassle – need app on phone or and mobile site
- Embed documents e.g. video
- Can't reply to previous comment

What feedback would you like to give the developers?

- Meeting arranger
- Mobile app
- Attaching files into comments
- Home page
- Embed documents
- Replying to previous posts

The week that was

Members had a discussion about workload and the responsibilities of members on working groups. Concerns were expressed about members volunteering for working groups but not participating. The discussion covered work-life balance, the learning that happens in working groups, whether taking part on 2 working groups a year was a realistic expectation, what the Terms of Reference say, and how workload and member performance could be managed. Jack, Ollie and Simon will develop some ideas for the next meeting.

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. Lisa to email spine study consultation details to the working group.