Record of Meeting: Youth Council

Venue Committee Room 2, 101 Wakefield St, Wellington

When 4.00 - 5.30 pm, 25 June 2014

Present

Members: Ben Ogilvie, Bing-Ying Lou, Brittany Hogan, Daisy Lutyens, Erin Lockhart,

Jack Marshall, Maddie Bell, Morgan Watkins, Oliver Michie, Petelo

Leaupepe, Sean Johnson

Councillor: Simon Woolf

Officers: Simon Wright (Consultation and Engagement)
Guests: David Parks and Maria (Evolve), Joel, Julie Hillel

Minutes

1. Opening

Jack welcomed everyone.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Amanda Yong and Grace Nunn. Bing apologised for arriving late and Ben for leaving early.

3. What's on top

Everyone shared an important thing going on in their life with the group.

4. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

5. Previous minutes and matters arising

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

6. General Business

Evolve project

David Parks is trying to set up a group for young people with disabilities in Wellington through Evolve. Young people with disabilities are often marginalised. Various youth councillors offered advice on recruiting members. It was suggested that David contact the WCC's City Networks team that is responsible for the Accessible Wellington Action Plan 2012/15 and the Accessibility Advisory Group. Youth Council offered to post information on its Facebook.

Review of Advisory Groups

Jack, Sean and Ben used public participation to ask the Governance, Finance and Planning Committee (GFPC) to consider 3 changes to the proposed new Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Youth Council: (1) to expand the role to 'assist and advice', (2) for a discretionary budget of \$5000 for engagement and (3) for an different work programme development process. GFPC gave its Chair, Cr Lester, the power to amend the proposed ToR to accommodate submissions from the advisory groups and the next step is for Jack to meet him to finalise the ToR.

Recruitment update

The YC will align its recruitment cycle with the WCC's planning cycle, that is, the financial July-June year. Now that the ToR are all but finalised, the YC will restart its 2014/15 appointments process as follows:

- Applications will close at midday on 7 July
- An applicant workshop will be held at the Youth Council meeting on 9 July
- Shortlisted applicants will be interviewed 14, 15, 21, 22 July

Confirmation of work programme

The YC ratified its work programme for 2014/15.

Video project update

Two prize sponsors have been secured.

The working group meet (while members went for one-on-ones with the Chair and officer (see below)) and further developed the storyboard and the project plan.

Reflection on how the year is going

Members had one-on-ones with the Chair and liaison officer to discuss the following questions:

- 1. How's everything going?
- 2. What could we do to make things better?

Overall, members thought that the advisory group review had been disruptive. A number of members flagged the need for more training on the WCC's processes. This will be a focus of the induction process.

7. Closing

The meeting closed at 5.38pm. The next YC meeting starts at 4.00pm, 9 July 2014 in the Community Room, which is on the Mezzanine floor of the Central Library.

Decision and Action Summary

- 1. The 2014/15 recruitment process was agreed as set out above
- 2. The 2014/15 induction will focus on WCC's processes