

Record of Meeting: Youth Council

Venue: Mezzanine Community Room, Central Library, Victoria St, Wellington

When: 4.00 - 5.30 pm, 10 June 2015

Present

Members: Anya Bukholt-Payne, Bing-Ying Lou, Brittany Hogan, Grace Nunn, Jack Comer-Hudson, Jack Marshall, Justina Koh, Morgan Watkins, Niamh Hyde, Oliver Michie, Petelo Leaupepe, Sean Johnson, Sebastian Klinkum, Timothy Rutherford

Councillor: Simon Woolf

Officers: Simon Wright (Policy & Reporting); Adrienne Hannan, Karl Gaskin (Libraries)

Guests: Ben van den Eykel, Cameron Wright, Melissa Gibson

Minutes

1. Opening

Ollie welcomed everyone.

2. Apologies

Apologies were received from Daisy Lutyens, Erin Lockhart, Eva McGauley and Siobhan Davies for being unable to attend. Justina apologised for leaving early.

3. What's on top

Everyone shared at least one important thing going on in their life.

4. Conflicts of interest

No conflicts of interest were declared.

5. Previous minutes and matters arising

Ollie moved that the minutes for the previous meeting were true and correct with a minor correction. Sean seconded the motion and it was passed.

6. Forward Programme

No actions were set.

7. General Business

Library services for young people

Adrienne Hannan and Karl Gaskin introduced a project on the future of libraries and how the library experience for young people may change. Libraries are now community hubs, not just collections of books. It is important to get input from young people across the city. The project will inform planning for 3, 5 and 10 year horizons and is considering questions such as:

- how can the network of libraries best benefit young people?
- should the Central Library have different services to those in the suburbs?
- how we can support and develop our librarians to better understand and meet the needs of young people

Member broke into 5 small groups to workshop pre-prepared questions and then discussed findings in a plenary session.

Members are to email Adrienne if they have further ideas, especially on ways to get the general public involved in the development of services.

Dreaming and planning session 4 – reviewing the policy forward programme

Members reviewed a draft of the policy forward programme 2015/16 and identified the following items that the Youth Council would like to focus on. The list is ordered from the items of most interest to items of least interest. It was noted that the YC has already done, or is doing work, on the gambling policy, cycling framework and the Long Term Plan.

1. Climate change (including resilience strategy, emissions reductions and south coast resilience)
2. Rental warrant of fitness
3. Playgrounds policy
4. Annual plan
5. Social strategy (including smokefree)
6. Local alcohol policy (including full cost recovery model for licencing bylaw)
7. Town Belt Bill
8. Submission on the Resource Management Act
9. Greater Wellington Regional Council's Regional Natural Hazards Strategy
10. Ngaranga Gorge quarry development

Youth Week review

This item was deferred.

Communications focus groups

Marcus Boshier from the Ministry of Youth Development asked if any members were interested in taking part in some focus group research on contemporary modes of communication. A number of members expressed interest.

Working group updates including ratification of cycling framework submission

The working group update was deferred.

Sebastian moved that the cycling framework submission be ratified. Jack M seconded the motion and it was passed.

YC communications

This item was deferred.

8. Closing

The meeting closed at 5.30pm. The next YC meeting is due to start at 4.00pm, 24 June 2015 in Community Room on the mezzanine floor of the Central Library.