

Newcastle Youth Council



5 – 7pm @ Newcastle City Hall

290 King St, Newcastle

12th May 2021

Meeting Opened-5.10pm

	Acknowledgement of Country	Nick Grinpukel	Actions
	Attendance and apologies	Attendance: Nick Grinpukel (Facilitator), Alex Saxby-Milles (Chair), Lavendel Seguin, Kevin Hill, Kelsey Gray, Amelia Sampson, Kepei Tan, Hunter Blunden (Youth Parliament), Toni Ellit (Lake Macquarie Youth Council Facilitator), Coco (LMYC), Lee (LMYC), Alyssa (LMYC), Jed (LMYC), Apologies: Cr Whinny-Bartz, Lavendel Seguin, Asha McNeill	
	Welcome to Lake Macquarie Youth Council (LMYC)	As part of an ongoing initiative to increase collaboration and connection between our Youth Councils the Newcastle Youth Council (NYC) hosted Lake Macquarie Youth Council (LMYC) at the May meeting.	
	2020/2021 Budget	Youth Council TOTAL \$5,400 REMAINDER \$1,697 Expense Items EOYP \$278 Catering (meeting) \$66 Youth Mock Council \$3140 May venue hire \$229	Youth Week TOTAL \$9,000 REMAINDER \$9,000 Expense Items Youth Week Grants <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Grant- JNC Art Express: \$935 • Grant- AeroSoul Activism: \$1000 • Grant- Youth Artisan Marketplace \$1000 • Youth Week Out West \$4017 • Tiddas in Muloonbinba \$1600
			NYC members to discuss possible avenues for spending remaining financial year budget.

	<p>Youth Mock Council Review</p>	<p>NYC members gave a review of Youth Mock Council which ran on 29 & 30 April</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 33 students from 6 high schools participated - Cr Clausen opened the event - Crs Mackenzie, Clausen and Winney-Baartz provided presentations to students - Alexa Stuart (School Strike 4 Climate) gave a keynote address - Students worked in 3 committees to develop motions on Environmental Sustainability, Safe Public Spaces & Social Justice - Students presented their motions in a mock council session presided over by Cr Winney-Baartz <p>The program was extremely well received by participants and councillors involved were highly impressed with the program</p> <p>Crs Clausen and Winney-Baartz have tabled a Notice of Motion regarding Youth Mock Council to be brought to the 25 May council meeting</p> <p>LMYC have expressed interest in running a similar program in their LGA</p>	<p>Nick to follow up with participants and provide information about viewing the council meeting online.</p> <p>Nick to share planning resources with LMYC as requested.</p>
	<p>Youth Parliament Consultation</p>	<p>Hunter Blunden is a student from Lambton High School & is attending the 2021 Y NSW Youth Parliament.</p> <p>Hunter conducted a consultation with members of both Youth Councils about which issues are most important to them so that he may take their input to the Youth Parliament .</p> <p>The issues raised by the members present include</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth employment - Mental health support - Housing for young people - Consent education - Greater school leaver transition support for people not following academic pathways. 	

	Year Planning	Discussed potential upcoming projects including <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth music workshop & gig - Poetry & spoken word programming - Newcastle Pride Day events - Youth homelessness project (Couch Surfing) - Multicultural Young Adults Group events 	
	General Business	Youth music event <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Idea to promote through TAFE, Conservatorium, etc 	Nick to send youth music event details to all YC members

Meeting Closed – 7.00pm

Next Meeting

9th June 2021

**Lake Macquarie Councillors Work Room, Administration Centre,
126 Main Road, Speers Point**

Chairperson – Alex Saxby-Milles

Minute Taker – Nick Grinpukel