



## **NEWCASTLE YOUTH COUNCIL**

## **MINUTES**

4/05/2022 5 – 7pm @ Newcastle Library Laman Street, Newcastle

Chairperson: Nick Grinpukel
Minute Taker: Cr Deahnna Richardson

Meeting opened at 5.13pm 4 May 2022

Notes Actions

1	Acknowledgement of Country		
2	Introductions and apologies	Present: Nick Grinpukel, Asha McNeil, Sam Jenkins, Brittani Presland, Alex Saxby-Milles, Cr Deahnna Richardson, Nick Cade, Kevin Hill  Guests: Bianca Bartlett & Siobhan Donges (Purple Card Project)  Apologies: Cr Charlotte McCabe	

3	2018/2019 budget	Youth Council		Youth Week				
		TOTAL	\$5,000	TOTAL	\$12,278			
		REMAINDER	\$5,000	REMAINDER	\$1,958			
		Expense Items		Expense Items				
				Grant - Express Yourself	\$2,390.00			
				Grant - Capture My Community	\$1,000.00			
				Grant - Art Express	\$1,000.00			
				Grant - Skateboarding to Health	\$1,004.00			
				Composed' live music event	\$4,176.00			
				NYC t-shirts	\$750.00			
		Upcoming costs:						
		Youth Mock Council – approximately \$2500						
		Tear drop banner – \$426						
		There will be an unders	pend in t					
		unable to run events fo	r the firs	t half of the 2021/22 financial year	•			
4	Approved Minutes	Moved: Alex SM						
	of Previous meeting	Seconded: Asha M						
5	<b>Business Arising</b>	- T-shirts have arrived	- T-shirts have arrived!!!!					
	from previous	- Alex, Isabella and Kevin formed a working party to investigate youth venues.						
	minutes	- Youth mock council	– venue					
		- Mental Health first aid – Byron from Headspace is communicating with those interested						
	Youth Council	The committee decided	to elect	two people to each office role as	many members			
	Elections	have limited capacity, and to ensure that there is at least one officer at each						
		meeting and event						
		Committee Officer Nom	ninations	:				
		Chair: Sam, Asha, Kevin						
		Vice Chair: Sam, Asha, k						
		Elected Co-chairs: Asha						
		Elected co-vice-chairs: A	•					
	Wallsend Skatepark			obhan from Purple Card Project w	ho are	Bianca and Siobhan to share		
	Placemaking event	organising an event at \	Wallsend	Skate Park to address the growing	g litter issue.	presentation		

	The event will include live music and art to be installed on new rubbish bins.  The committee voted unanimously to support the project  Requests of the Youth Council:  - Share experience and knowledge with hosting youth centred events  - Advice on youth engagement for the event  - Circulate survey  - Assistance with organising live music, free bbq, volunteer support  - Proposed date is late October  - Have applied for a grant through Special Business Rates Program	Cr Richardson to take presentation to meeting with McDonalds Corporate on 6/5/22
Youth Week review	Review of successful Youth Week program:  - HMC Youth Nations Launch - Up and Up Art Express - 'Composed' all ages gig at Library – about 80 people attended Jesmond Neighbourhood Centre and Maryland Neighbourhood Centre – Express Yourself - Soldier On photography project - City Hall Sounds by Bad Vibrations was cancelled due to COVID - Skate event at UoN went ahead despite bad weather - Book Club movie night	Nick G to pass on details of Youth Nations events coming up
Youth Mock Council	Venue confirmed as Town Hall	Memo to come to council in next couple of weeks
Committee for the Hunter Youth Voice Survey report	Cr Richardson and Alex M gave a report on the Committee for the Hunter's survey findings event.	Possibly piggy-back off Youth voice survey to campaign during antipoverty week (in October)
Virtual Academy	The Virtual Academy is a program run by the Catholic Schools office of Maitland and Newcastle that involves a mock G20 summit with high school students.  The program will run on 17 June from 9am – 2.30pm  Youth Council members are invited to participate as mentors	Alex M to participate in the program
Sleep out for the Soul	Nic C provided an update on Sleep Out for the Soul.	Nic C to share link in the chat

	Sleep Out for the Soul is a fundraising event organised by Soul Café where participants raise funds and 'sleep rough' for a night in the Bolton St car park on 27 May. Event has been going on for about 13 years  Food, live music & security provided. Aiming for 400 people, currently 250 people have registered.  Donate online.  Bring sleeping bags, mattress.	
HMC Multicultural Day in the Garden	Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> May – all ages event 10am – 2pm  All committee members invited to attend	
General Business	Walk a mile Koori Style update Last meeting was cancelled. Event scheduled for 2 December. Anti-Domestic Violence event. Possible themes – Acceptance of LGBTIQ members of community	Alex M to share the meeting invite.  Meeting scheduled for 19/5 at  Newcastle Family Support
	Food library Soft launch at public lecture event on 22 July with Ronnie Kahn from Oz Harvest. Actual food library will open with the reopening of Wallsend Library on 1 August.  Young people will be helping in the construction of the unit, which will be custom made and trauma informed design. Working with local schools and	Asha M to assist with day to day stocking of food library
	Project Kindness, who run community pantries in Sydney.  Hunter Homelessness Connect check in – YC to lead youth hub.	Hunter Homeless Connect Day Working group – Alex, Asha, Nic. Nick G to share list of orgs that need to be contacted, and Alex, Asha and Nick to divide up and confirm orgs.

Meeting closed at 6.59pm

## Next Meeting