

MINUTES

Youth Advisory Group

Date: Wednesday 16 August 2023

Time: 5:39 pm to 7:20 pm

Location: Bottlebrush Room (Shire Hall) and via MS Teams

<i>Members</i>	<i>Present</i>	<i>Apology</i>
Councillor Bev Spearpoint (Chair)		
Councillor Suzie Brandstater		
Rob Moran, Community Projects and Events Team Leader		
Emily Plews, Community Project Officer-Youth Development (CPO)		
<i>Youth Advisory Group Members</i>		
Diaan Nasser, Youth Advisory Group		
Sam Lawrence, Youth Advisory Group		
Jacqueline O'Neill, Youth Advisory Group		
Mary-Anne Ball, Youth Advisory Group		
Jordan Sefton, Youth Advisory Group		
Finn Campbell, Youth Advisory Group		
Mel Wardle, Youth Advisory Group		
Henry Adam, Youth Advisory Group		
Ireland Gerhard, Youth Advisory Group		
<i>Guests</i>		
Mayor Matt Gould		
Caroline Argent, Director Shire Connections, Executive Services		
Michelle Sheehan, Manager Community Services, Community Services		

Item	Key Speaker (s)	Agreed Actions
1. Acknowledgement of country	Chair	
2. Attendance and apologies As noted above	Chair	
3. Disclosure of interests	Chair	No disclosures made
4. Confirmation of previous minutes	Councillor Brandstater	
5. Introductions	Each attendee introduced themselves	

<p>6. General Business</p>	<p><i>YAG members presented plan for Youth Week 2024</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YAG wants to have a Youth Week Festival • Musicians, Food trucks, local vendors, activities aimed at teens and stalls run by the youth of the Wollondilly to get their business out into the community. • Location Idea's-Hume oval, Victoria park and Tahmoor netball courts as a possible venue options. • Possible way to support event-Ticketed event or small donations that go to a charity targeted towards the youth. • Age limit for the event, between 13 and 25 years old. • Possible dates- 11th to the 21st of April in the first school holidays of the year. • Have a DJ as well as the bands to attract more of the youth in the community. • Hire security guards to ensure the safety of the youth in the Wollondilly. • Pat from Riveroad Creative Academy or Mr Madern can supply the speakers and equipment for the event. • Riveroad, Picton High School and Mudbrick Studios students can perform as well as other people who express their interest. • The YAG will review all of the submissions and pick the best ones to achieve the best results from performers and to get a variety of music genres at the festival. • YAG can custom design posters and post them around the community e.g. the board in Picton mall and telephone posts around Tahmoor and Bargo. • YAG can post digital fliers on the three main social media platforms so that the whole community can know about it. • YAG can buy targeted advertisements on social media so that we can guarantee everyone sees it once. • YAG could also make a video showcasing some things about the festival but that's only if people want to do it. • Other thing to consider- Talk to Warragamba for different possibilities for extra transport, Warragamba Silverdale Neighbourhood Centre can spread the word and use it as a transportation hub, talk to the police about the event so that they can build report with the youth, don't call it a music festival to get better attraction from the youth, talk to potential sponsors to get more money for the event and talk to radio stations about the event and potential sponsorships 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YAG and CPO to work together to organise Youth Week 2024 Music Festival • CPO to organise a Youth Week Planning Day 2024
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	<p>YAG Discussion for Youth Week 2024</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Should there be a range of performances to appeal to a wider audience, not just music? • Victoria Oval has easy access and is local to public transport • Try to work out a way to support transport so as many young people as possible can attend • Sponsorship ideas, talk to Chamber of Commerce to get sponsorship ideas, SIMEC, Macarthur Credit Union • Other ideas to attract more attendees- games/ competition and prizes, remote control car races, music, food vans, use the event to educate young people, invite youth services who work in the Wollondilly • Musicians could be old and new HSC students, bands- YAG to explore performer ideas <p>Items without Notice</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • YAG meeting attendees discussed letter advocating for new High School at Wilton • Community Bus discussion • YAG informed that YAG can send motions to the People’s SRG to support their advocacy and work 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CPO to follow up on letter response advocating for a New High School in Wilton • CPO to invite a Council representative to give information on the Community Bus’s new model • CPO to follow up on how the motion process and share this with YAG
Next Meeting –	To Be Advised	
Meeting Closed –	7.20pm	