

**Minutes**  
**Youth Council Meeting**  
**Date: Tuesday 30 October 2012**  
**Venue: Council Chambers**  
**Time: 4.00pm**

**ITEM: 1      PRESENT AND APOLOGIES**

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**Present:**     Clr Inzitari, Mallory Sedger, Kasey Fitzgerald, Brenella Abdel-Rehim, Zac Dray, Mel Besley, Daniel Whiteman, Jenna Martin, Mel Jones, Zac Shadbolt, Kane Bott and Zach Dray.

**Apologies:**   Mayor Maree Statham

**Officers:**     Matthew Johnson - Manager Community and Culture

**Declaration of Interests:**   Nil

**ITEM: 2      CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES**

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The minutes of the 25 September 2012 meeting were ratified by email by 3 members and reported to Council on 5 November 2012.

**ITEM: 3      BUSINESS ARISING**

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A report was provided on the proposed short film on underage drinking and the Union Rock event.

**Short Film festival**

No entries were received so there was discussion on whether it would be viable for the Youth Council to produce its own film on the consequences of underage drinking, targeting year 6 primary school students and parents and to broaden the subject to include drugs and smoking. To do so would require time to develop a script and funds to produce the film. To be considered further in new year.

**Union Rock Event**

The Union Rock music event was held at the Union Theatre on 29 September with around 110 in attendance with a good gender mix. Attendance was similar to the April 2012 Union Rock event. A great time was had and there were no problems. There was discussion on how to build the event, including having a mix of music genres. One of the biggest costs was security – this will be reconsidered before next event.

There was also discussion on possible alternative venues to the Union Theatre including PCYC and Coerwull School hall. There was further discussion on holding an outdoor event at Watsford oval at the end of January, just before school returns.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The report on business arising be noted.

**MOVED:** Mallory Sedger      **SECONDED:** Daniel Whiteman  
**Carried**

## **ITEM: 4      SPORT AND CULTURAL SCHOLARSHIPS**

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### **SUMMARY**

There was discussion on development of annual sports and cultural scholarships for low income and disadvantaged young people.

### **COMMENTARY**

Further development of the concept is to be undertaken to develop guidelines and funding requirements. It was felt that the program should be promoted through schools and scholarships be limited to gym programs and programs at PCYC. It was also raised that the scholarship program be named in honour the late Eric Arnold who was involved in Little Athletics.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The report on sports and cultural scholarships be noted.

**MOVED:** Mel Besley      **SECONDED:** Brenella Abdel-Rehim  
**Carried**

## **ITEM : 5      YOUTH WEEK 2013**

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### **SUMMARY**

Discussion was held on planning for Youth week 2013 activities.

### **COMMENTARY**

It was agreed that a major event be held at the Lithgow Skatepark with exhibition skating, a rock climbing wall and sausage sizzle. Matthew to follow up with Council's Events Coordinator Robbie Park about booking Newtons Nations to provide a skating display.

Matthew to also find out if Youth week 2013 has a particular theme.

It was agreed that music not be included in this event but left until a music festival is held later in 2013.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The report on Youth Week 2013 be noted.

**MOVED:** Kasey Fitzgerald      **SECONDED:** Kane Bott  
**Carried**

**ITEM : 6      GENERAL BUSINESS**

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Matthew Johnson advised that Melanie Jones is about to commence work with Council as replacement Community Development Officer while Viktoria is on maternity leave.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The report on general business be noted.

**MOVED:**      Zac Dray  
**Carried**

**SECONDED:** Daniel Whiteman

**Meeting Closed 5.00 pm**

**Next Meeting**  
**Tuesday 27 November 2012 at 4.00pm in Council**  
**Chambers**