

**Minutes**  
**Youth Council Meeting**  
**Date: Monday 27 March 2012**  
**Venue: Council Chambers**  
**Time: 4.00pm**

**ITEM: 1      PRESENT AND APOLOGIES**

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**Present:** Cr Col Hunter (Lithgow City Council), Mallory Sedger, Kasey Fitzgerald, Brenella Abdel-Rehim, Joel Cama, Zac Dray, Ethan Perry, Patsy Riley, Daniel Whiteman, Mel Beasley, Sharni Banks, Darcy Allan.

**Apologies:** Mayor Neville Castle (Lithgow Council), Heath Zorz (LINC), Bianca McCann.

**Officers:** Viktoria Gulabovski (Community Development Officer).

**Declaration of Interests:** Nil

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

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The minutes of the 27 February 2012 meeting were ratified by email and were reported to Council on 5 March 2012.

**ITEM: 3      BUSINESS ARISING**

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**SUMMARY**

Viktoria Gulabovski provided a progress update on Union Rock, basketball hoops, cinema and tennis courts.

**COMMENTARY**

Union Rock is set to kick off on 14 April 2012 and Youth Council will be launching into promotional activity next week. A risk assessment has been developed by Viktoria Gulabovski and Youth Council volunteers will be briefed on the safety and precaution measures for the event. Youth Council volunteers do not have to pay for entry, food or drinks. Entry to concert is \$5, soft drinks \$2, chips \$1, chocolates \$1 and water also \$1. This is a drug and alcohol free event. There will be 4 security guards on site as well as 12 adult staff volunteers from Council, Lithgow Community Projects and LINC. As the auspicing body for this event, Lithgow Community Projects will collect all money raised and re-invest it into similar events and/or other youth projects in the future.

Sony Pictures Australian Film Distributors advised that First Run Theatres, such as Hoyts and Greater Union, are able to screen current attractions as soon as they are released. Second Run Theatres however, such as Lithgow Valley Cinema and Portland Cinema, can only screen current attractions six (6) weeks after they have been shown in First Run Theatres. On this basis Youth Council decided not to invest money in cinema equipment as set up costs are too expensive for screening of older films. If equipment can be

borrowed or found relatively inexpensively however, a trial for running older films at the Union Theatre may be an option to ascertain popularity of running this sort of event for the Lithgow Community.

Terry Nolan, Council's Parks Manager advised that the current netball courts are closed due to being cracked in parts and dangerous for use by members of the public. Court number seven (7) is open, however it is predominantly used for training by the local netball team. While there is no funding available in this year's budget, the proposal for installing basketball hoops is open for consideration in next year's budget.

Viktoria Gulabovski will contact the local tennis club to determine whether young people can use the tennis courts once a week free of cost.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The progress report on Union Rock, cinema, basketball hoops and tennis courts be noted.

**MOVED:** Kasey Fitzgerald  
**Carried**

**SECONDED:** Mel Beasley

**ITEM : 4 PHOTO SHOOT**

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**SUMMARY**

A photo of Youth Council was taken, to complement the Youth Council webpage once developed.

**COMMENTARY**

A Youth Council photo was taken for inclusion on the Youth Council webpage.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The progress report on the Youth Council photo be noted.

**MOVED:** Daniel Whiteman  
**Carried**

**SECONDED:** Kasey Fitzgerald

**ITEM : 5 YOUTH COUNCIL WEBPAGE**

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**SUMMARY**

There was discussion about the Youth Council webpage and the relevant information required to build it.

**COMMENTARY**

Viktoria Gulabovski advised that she is in the process of building a webpage for Youth Council. It will sit under "Youth" on Lithgow Council's website. The webpage will outline the work of Youth Council, current and past projects, and also have a member's section containing information on how to become a member, and some positive remarks by current members stating what they most like about being on Youth Council.

**RECOMMENDATION**

**THAT** The report on the progress of Youth Council webpage be noted.

**MOVED:** Joel Cama  
**Carried**

**SECONDED:** Ethan Perry

**ITEM : 6 GENERAL BUSINESS**

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6.1 Viktoria Gulabovski advised that Harmony Day celebrations will take place on 30 March 2012 with a unique concert at the Union Theatre, featuring *Tukros*, an Eastern European group, with a line up of violins, violas, double bass, cimbalom and vocals. The group is set to transport audiences to another world. Tickets are \$10 for adults or \$5 for concession.

6.2 Ethan Perry asked about the progress of Hungry Jacks on the Great Western Highway. Cr Hunter advised that the Developmental Application (DA) was approved by Council and that the builders contracted by Hungry Jacks can begin works as soon as they're ready.

**ITEM : 7 THANK YOU**

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Viktoria Gulabovski thanked those members that attended the photo session at Eskbank House and Museum to assist Council staff with building a library of stock photos for use in future Council publications.

**Meeting Closed 5.00 pm**

**Next Meeting  
Tuesday 24 April 2012 at 4.00pm in Council  
Chambers**