

Minutes
Youth Council
18 October 2017



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Youth Council
Wednesday 18 October 2017
Lithgow City Council
Committee Room
4.30 – 5.30 pm

Youth Council	
Item Number	Agenda
1	Welcome, Present & apologies
2	Confirmation of Minutes
3	Business Arising
4	Work Program
5	Youth Scholarships
6	Youth Mental Health
7	Youth Week 2018
8	General Business
9	Next Meeting

ITEM: 1 WELCOME, PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

Present: Cllr Cassandra Coleman (Chairperson), Jessica Alexander (Youth Member), Katie Coleman (Youth Member), Chloe Hosa, (Youth Member), Leanne Walding (Organisational Rep).

Apologies: Cllr Stephen Lesslie, Lauren Corney, Olivia Corney, Meg Benson (Organisational Rep).

Officers: Viktoria Gulabovski (Executive Officer, representing the General Manager).

Declaration of Interests: None

ITEM: 2 CONFIRMATION OF THE PREVIOUS MINUTES

SUMMARY

Ratification of the 20 September 2017 meeting minutes.

COMMENTARY

The minutes for the 20 September 2017 Youth Council meeting were ratified by members and endorsed at the 23 October 2017 Council meeting.

**ACTION
THAT**

That the reporting of the 20 September 2017 Youth Council minutes to Council be noted.

MOVED: Katie Coleman
Carried

SECONDED: Jess Alexander

ITEM: 3 BUSINESS ARISING

SUMMARY

A letter of endorsement was drafted and sent to Lithgow High School and La Salle Academy supporting the Batyr Mental Health Group.

COMMENTARY

Batyr Youth Mental Health Group works with young people in schools to break down the stigma that surrounds mental health. Batyr aims to engage, educate and empower young people by fostering an environment where talking about mental health issues and getting help is not only accepted, but is encouraged and supported. The Youth Council agreed to support Batyr to work with local high school students. A letter of endorsement was drafted and sent to Lithgow High School and La Salle Academy promoting and supporting the program.

**ACTION
THAT**

The letter of endorsement for the Batyr mental health group was mailed to Lithgow High School and La Salle Academy.

MOVED: Leanne Walding
Carried

SECONDED: Jess Alexander

ITEM: 4 DRAFT WORK PROGRAM

SUMMARY

A draft work program has been finalised and needs to be adopted by the Youth Council.

COMMENTARY

The Draft Work Program 2017/18 for the Youth Council has been finalised and adopted by the Youth Council. It includes the following tasks:

- Youth Week 2018
- Further Education Scholarship Program/ Youth Scholarships
- Youth Grants for additional activities for young people
- Volunteering for Young People
- Youth Council Facebook Page
- Youth Programs and activities at the library

ACTION

THAT:

The adoption of the Youth Council Work Program be noted.

MOVED: Leanne Walding
Carried

SECONDED: Chloe Hosa

ITEM: 5 YOUTH SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

SUMMARY

Youth Council discussed the administration of the Youth Scholarship Program.

COMMENTARY

The draft application form for the Youth Scholarship Program was tabled at the September Youth Council meeting. Youth Council decided it would be best for applications to open in November 2017 and be provided throughout 2018 to eligible students until the fund is expended.

ACTION

Council staff to finalise application form, upload on website and promote.

THAT:

That the discussion on the Youth Scholarship Program be noted.

MOVED: Lauren Corney
Carried

SECONDED: Olivia Corney

ITEM: 6 YOUTH WEEK 2018

SUMMARY

A discussion regarding Youth Week 2018.

COMMENTARY

As part of Youth Week 2018 celebrations, Youth Council decided to host a sleep-out fundraising event. The event will include an outdoor cinema experience at Blast Furnace Park on 14 April 2018. There will also be food and drinks on site, as well as a DJ and portable toilets. Funds raised will go towards Lithgow Community Projects who work with and support homeless youth.

ACTION

THAT:

The discussion around Youth Week 2018 be noted.

MOVED: Jess Alexander
Carried

SECONDED: Chloe Hosa

ITEM: 8 GENERAL BUSINESS

SUMMARY

There were no items raised under general business.

COMMENTARY

THAT:

MOVED: Carri
SECONDED:

Meeting Closed 5.30pm

NEXT MEETING
15 November 2017
Upstairs Council Committee Room, 180 Mort St, Lithgow.