



Agenda

Youth Advisory Council Meeting
21 August 2018
4.30-5.30pm

Name of Committee: Youth Advisory Council	
Item Number	Agenda
1	Welcome/Present/Apologies
2	Business Arising
3	Issues Discussion
4	Youth Leadership Forum
5	General Business



ITEM: 1 PRESENT AND APOLOGIES

PRESENT: Elyse Hudson, Brayden Drury, Farah Trifogli, Ollyvar Baber, Shifa Hargi, Claire Tilley, Eleisha Fisher, Elli Kozicki, Jess Alexander, Katie Coleman.

APOLOGIES:

OFFICERS: Viktoria Gulabovski

DECLARATION OF INTERESTS: Nil

ITEM: 2 BUSINESS ARISING

Youth Councilors discussed the topic of bullying and cited individual instances where they witnessed cases of bullying in person and/or on social media. Part of their discussion focused on what Youth Council can do to create a more respectful and responsible community. The suggestion was made to write an article about bullying and raise awareness about practical approaches to creating a safe and caring community.

ACTION

THAT Youth Councilors approach their school principals and request if their article can be published in the school newsletters.

MOVED: Elyse Hudson

SECONDED: Braydon Drury

ITEM: 3 ISSUES DISCUSSION

Youth Councilors discussed other issues that were important to them, including:

1. Drinking alcohol at the Skate Park
2. Fund-raising for Farmers

During this year's Lithgow Show there was a small group of young people at the skate park drinking alcohol and displaying aggressive behavior. Youth Councilors noted that clearer and more distinct signage prohibiting the consumption of alcohol at the skate park is required. The current sign installed is far too detailed and the messaging is not clear.

In addition, Youth Councilors discussed actions they could undertake to support local farmers during the drought. Two ideas were flagged, including hosting a 'Farmer's Luncheon' at the Old Hartley Post Office Café, and/ or having donation boxes in cafes on Main Street. Youth Councilors will unpack these ideas further at future meetings.

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION

THAT Youth Councilors to draft a letter to TALC requesting the signage at the skate park be investigated.

MOVED: Jess Alexander

SECONDED: Katie Coleman

ITEM: 4 YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM

Youth Councillors were advised to 'save the date' for Friday, 21 September 2018. As part of Council's 'Future Finders' Program a Youth Leadership Forum will be hosted to provide young people with a springboard to lead and create future change in the community.

ACTION/RECOMMENDATION

THAT

MOVED: Claire Tilley

SECONDED: Elli Kozicki

ITEM: 5 GENERAL BUSINESS

Youth Councilors discussed options for better inter-group communication. 'Google Classroom' was recommended as a platform for group communication. Claire Tilley will look into establishing a code for future use and will provide training in the near future for non-users.

There being no further business the meeting closed at: 5.30pm

Next Meeting:

**18 September 2018 @ the Library Conference Room, 4.30pm-5.30pm
157 Main Street, Lithgow**
