

Youth Advisory Council Committee

Minutes 6 June 2018

Committee Terms of Reference

The Youth Advisory Council Committee is to make recommendations to Council based on the following Terms of Reference;

- 1. To identify and advise on youth trends, gaps and opportunities in the Bunbury area.*
- 2. To advise Council on the development of policies that is responsive to the needs of youth.*
- 3. To engage with the young people of the Bunbury area to draw consultation and feedback on youth trends, opportunities and gaps to present to Council.*
- 4. To assist and be actively involved in the ongoing development and delivery of youth targeted projects, programs and events. (Annually: Australia Day and National Youth Week)*
- 5. To engage with the wider youth community to create/look for partnerships and opportunities to support young people in the areas of upskilling, youth leadership and the active involvement for youth driven initiatives.*

This Committee meets on the first Wednesday of every third month.

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Members of the public to note that recommendations made by this committee are not final and will be subject to adoption (or otherwise) at a future meeting of the Bunbury City Council.

1. Declaration of Opening

The Youth Mayor declared the meeting open at 4:35pm.

2. Disclaimer

Not applicable to this committee.

3. Announcements from the Presiding Member

The Youth Mayor firstly congratulated Bella on being a finalist in the WA Young Achievers Awards – Sustainability Category.

The YAC was advised that Michael Todd had completed his tenure as the Community Development Officer (Youth) and welcome Isabell Evans, Manager People and Place who was acting in the role until it was filled. It was noted that Isabell had a history of being in the Community Development team.

The Youth Mayor took the opportunity to thank those that attended the WALGA meeting procedures training and asked those that went to prepare a cheat sheet for those that didn't.

Finally, it was noted that Sean van der Wielen had met the Deputy Premier that day.

4. Attendances

Committee Members:

Member Name	Representing
Sean Smith	Youth Mayor
Cassidy McGuire	Deputy Youth Mayor
Bella Burgemeister	Youth Community

Member Name	Representing
Georgina Dowd	Youth Community
Dylan Fryer	Youth Community
Stephen May	Youth Community
Sean van der Wielen	Youth Community

Ex-officio Members (non-voting):

Member Name	Representing
Cr Todd Brown	Councillor Representative
Cr Sam Morris	Councillor Representative

Support Staff:

Name	Title
Ms Isabell Evans	Manager People and Place

4.1. Apologies

Natareen Djeri Nganga, Meg Read, Matilda Wilson, Stephanie Addison-Brown and Liz Allan were apologies for the meeting.

Aleczonder Barber, Maddison Brunning, Rhiannan Edwards and Alex Tombleson were absent.

4.2. Approved Leave of Absence

Nil

5. Declaration of Interest

Nil

6. Public Question Time

Nil

7. Confirmation of Minutes

The Minutes of the meeting of the Youth Advisory Council Committee Meeting held 7 March 2018 had been circulated.

Recommendation

That the Minutes of the Youth Advisory Council Committee Meeting held 7 March 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

Outcome of the Meeting held 6 June 2018

The recommendation (as printed) was moved Sean van der Wielen, seconded Stephen May.

The Youth Mayor put the motion to the vote and it was adopted to become the Committee's decision on the matter.

Committee Decision

That the Minutes of the Youth Advisory Council Committee Meeting held 7 March 2018 be confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED
7 votes "for" / Nil votes "against"

8. Petitions, Presentations and Deputations

8.1. *Petitions*

Nil

8.2. *Presentations*

Nil

9. Method of Dealing with Agenda Business

Items are dealt with in the order in which they appear.

10. Reports

10.1. *Bunbury Cathedral Grammar Impact Week*

Applicant/Proponent:	Internal
Responsible Officer:	Isabell Evans, Manager People & Place
Responsible Manager:	Stephanie Addison-Brown , Director Corporate and Community Services
Executive:	Stephanie Addison-Brown , Director Corporate and Community Services
Authority/Discretion	<input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy <input type="checkbox"/> Review <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Executive/Strategic <input type="checkbox"/> Quasi-Judicial <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative <input type="checkbox"/> Information Purposes
Attachments:	Nil

Summary

Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School will be delivering Social Welfare activities for Year 8 and 9s during their Impact Week on Monday 25 June 2018. They have invited the Youth Advisory Council Committee to participate in the event to talk about what the group does in the community as well as providing an activity for the students.

Executive Recommendation

That the Youth Advisory Council Committee agrees to participate in Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School's Impact Week on Monday 25 June 2018.

Strategic Relevance

Theme 1 Our community and culture
Goal A safe, healthy and cohesive community, with a rich cultural life, and supportive social environment.
Objective 1.6: A community that provides for the particular needs of the young and the old.

Background

Impact Week provides an opportunity for the Youth Advisory Council to run an activity which is educational and fun. It will also be a great opportunity to promote the Council and ensure people are aware of the group and what value it is to the community.

Council Policy Compliance

There is no council policy applicable to this report.

Legislative Compliance

Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

Geoff Chadwick, Chaplain at Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School contacted the City as he is approaching relevant social groups and organisations to seek their involvement in raising his students awareness of social issues.

As well as a presentation, Geoff is also requesting that organisations deliver a fun activity to keep students engaged.

Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications

There are no financial or budgetary implications associated with this report.

Community Consultation

Not applicable

Councillor/Officer Consultation

Nil

Applicant Consultation

Not applicable

Outcome of the Meeting held 6 June 2018

The recommendation was moved Sean Smith, seconded Bella Burgemeister with the following amendment:

“That the Youth Advisory Council Committee agrees to participate in Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School’s Impact Week on Monday 25 June 2018 with a commitment from Sean Smith and Bella Burgemeister to participate in the event.”

The Youth Mayor put the motion to the vote and it was adopted to become the Committee’s decision on the matter.

Committee Decision

That the Youth Advisory Council Committee agrees to participate in Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School’s Impact Week on Monday 25 June 2018 with a commitment from Sean Smith and Bella Burgemeister to participate in the event.

CARRIED

7 votes “for” / Nil votes “against”

10.2. Create your Headspace

Applicant/Proponent:	Internal
Responsible Officer:	Isabell Evans, Manager People and Place
Responsible Manager:	Stephanie Addison-Brown, Director Corporate and Community Services
Executive:	Stephanie Addison-Brown, Director Corporate and Community Services
Authority/Discretion	<input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review <input type="checkbox"/> Executive/Strategic <input type="checkbox"/> Quasi-Judicial <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative <input type="checkbox"/> Information Purposes
Attachments:	Nil

Summary

Penny from Headspace Bunbury has contacted the City regarding an art workshop being held at the Stirling Street Arts Centre on Saturday 23 June 2018 between 10:00am and 1:00pm and is calling on any Youth Advisory Council members with an interest in art to be part of the event.

Executive Recommendation

That the Youth Advisory Council Committee nominate _____ and _____ to demonstrate the YAC's support of Headspace by participating in the event.

Strategic Relevance

Theme 1 Our community and culture
Goal A safe, healthy and cohesive community, with a rich cultural life, and supportive social environment.
Objective 1.6: A community that provides for the particular needs of the young and the old.

Background

Headspace Bunbury has been approached by Rotary who would like to fund an event that promotes healthy mental health activities for young people with a focus on arts. The 'Create your headspace' event will be held on 23 June 2018 from 10:00am to 1:00pm at the Stirling Street Arts Centre in collaboration with Art Partners.

The event will showcase young people who are passionate about art and interested in sharing their talent, but showing other young people how to do it. Headspace are seeking young people to show off their skills and hold a mini have-a-go station as well as taking part in a short panel discussing how art helps their headspace.

At the event there will be free food and activities and it is intended that participants who greatly enjoyed the day will join the ongoing art program that Headspace and Art Partners are co-delivering.

Council Policy Compliance

There is no council policy applicable to this report.

Legislative Compliance

Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

Headspace has indicated that the purpose of the event is to showcase young artists and encourage young people to use arts as a way to relax, de-stress and stay mentally healthy.

They are seeking Youth Advisory Council Committee involvement so that youth services and other groups can better engage and form stronger connections within the community.

Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications

Materials related to the cost of attendance will be covered through the YAC budget.

Community Consultation

Not applicable

Councillor/Officer Consultation

Nil

Applicant Consultation

Not applicable

Outcome of the Meeting held 6 June 2018

The recommendation was moved Cassidy McGuire, seconded Sean Smith with inclusion of nominees and a change of wording to “*demonstrate the YAC’s support of Headspace by **assisting with the event***”

The Youth Mayor put the motion to the vote and it was adopted to become the Committee’s decision on the matter.

Committee Decision

That the Youth Advisory Council Committee nominate Cassidy McGuire and Sean Smith to demonstrate the YAC’s support of Headspace by assisting with the event.

CARRIED

7 votes “for” / Nil votes “against”

10.3. Proposed Political Participation Program

Applicant/Proponent:	Committee Member
Responsible Officer:	Sean Van Der Wielen
Responsible Manager:	Isabell Evans, Manager People & Place
Executive:	Stephanie Addison-Brown, Director Corporate and Community Services
Authority/Discretion	<input type="checkbox"/> Advocacy <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Review <input type="checkbox"/> Executive/Strategic <input type="checkbox"/> Quasi-Judicial <input type="checkbox"/> Legislative <input type="checkbox"/> Information Purposes
Attachments:	Nil

Summary

Following a request for agenda items, Youth Advisory Council Committee member Sean Van Den Wielen has raised the Political Participation Program (PolPart) for review by the Committee.

Executive Recommendation

That the Youth Advisory Council Committee endorse the proposal subject to the following:

- (a) no party political content, agendas, advocacy or promotion;
- (b) approval to undertake this by the Electoral Commission; and
- (c) Electoral Commission material only being distributed.

Strategic Relevance

Theme 1 Our community and culture
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Background

Youth Advisory Council Committee members Sean Van Den Wielen and Nat Njeri are proposing to start a program in local high schools to educate the youth of Bunbury about the Australian voting process and obligations, encourage enrolment and to encourage active citizenship.

The following information was provided by Sean:

About

Voting in Federal and State elections is compulsory in Australia. Despite this, the enrolment rate for those aged between 18 and 24 is 86.9% (March 2018, AEC), at least 9% below the national average of 96.3% (December 2017, AEC). Pre-enrolling (enrolling before 18) in particular is extremely low, with only 159 people in the electorate of Forrest pre-enrolled (March 2018, AEC). This program will seek to increase the number of Year 11 and 12 students either enrolled or pre-enrolled.

It will also seek to address the problem of informal voting. 5.85% of all votes in the electorate of Forrest were informal in the 2016 Federal Election. In most areas of the City of Bunbury, the informal vote was higher at around 7.5%. The program will seek to teach Year 11 and 12 students to formally vote at a federal, state and local level.

Target Audience

The target of the program will be Year 11 and 12 students at high schools in the Bunbury, with a particular focus on those enrolled in public high schools.

How

The program will be conducted by attending high schools and making presentations. This will be followed by going to a computer lab to enroll the students to vote and/or handing out paper enrolment forms. There may also be the opportunity for a Question and Answer session with a local elected member if available.

Council Policy Compliance

There is no council policy applicable to this report.

Legislative Compliance

Local Government Act 1995

Officer Comments

Officers are presenting the proposal on behalf of Sean Van Den Wielen for the Committee's review.

Analysis of Financial and Budget Implications

There are no financial or budgetary implications associated with this report.

Community Consultation

Not applicable

Councillor/Officer Consultation

Nil

Applicant Consultation

Not applicable

Outcome of the Meeting held 6 June 2018

The recommendation was moved Sean van der Wielen, seconded Dylan Fry.

The Youth Mayor put the motion to the vote and it was adopted to become the Committee's decision on the matter.

Committee Decision

That the Youth Advisory Council Committee endorse the proposal subject to the following:

- (a) no party political content, agendas, advocacy or promotion;
- (b) approval to undertake this by the Electoral Commission; and
- (c) Electoral Commission material only being distributed.

CARRIED

7 votes "for" / Nil votes "against"

11. Applications for Leave of Absence

Nil

12. Questions from Members

12.1. *Response to Previous Questions from Members Taken On Notice*

Nil

12.2. *Questions from Members*

Nil

13. Urgent Business

Nil

14. Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on 5 September 2018 at 4:30pm.

15. Close of Meeting

The Youth Mayor closed the meeting at 5:01pm.