

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL



City of
Joondalup

MEETING OF THE JOONDALUP YOUTH
ADVISORY COUNCIL HELD IN MEETING
ROOM 3 – 3rd FLOOR – CITY OF
JOONDALUP ADMINISTRATION
BUILDING ON WEDNESDAY 18 AUGUST
2004.

ATTENDANCES

Kate Maassen	Chairperson	Jeremy Manning	Youth Project Officer
Silke Losch			
Lauren Hicks			
Claire Hand			
Noura Huneidi			
Michael Blanchard			
Amy Kauler			
Lauren Carr			
Jakara Enders			
Rowan Ziegler			
Blade Shaw			
Chantelle Handley			
Katriese Dalgety			

APOLOGIES

Sarah Flatters
Dearne Kinsella
Astrid Lee

ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The minutes of the meeting of the Youth Advisory Council held on June 2004 in the Meeting room 3, were accepted as a true and correct record.

Role / Function of Youth Advisory Council.

For the benefit of new members, the Youth Advisory Council reviewed its Terms of Reference and discussed the function of the committee within the larger City structure. Discussion followed about the role of the committee and the formal and informal connections that it has with Commissioners and City Staff. The Youth Projects Officer outlined the current situation in regards to the Commissioners invitation to attend Youth Advisory Council meeting and suggested that the “policy process” and the “Youth Advisory Council / Commissioner relationship” will form the basis of a future council report that is currently being compiled and will be presented to Commissioners in the near future. The Youth Projects Officer briefly informed the committee of the contents of the report. The committee indicated its support for the direction outlined within this current report.

Members also discussed the need to ensure that the Youth Advisory Council fulfils its role in the process by ensuring that it discusses and provides quality feedback on important issues for young people in the City. Members suggested some strategies to ensure that this occurs in the future.

ACTION

Members agreed to

- 1. Support the direction suggested in the report being currently written by City staff regarding the relationship between Commissioners and the Youth Advisory Council.*
- 2. Undertake the various strategies discussed to ensure the Youth Advisory Council fulfils its advisory role in the youth policy process.*

CBD Enhancement Committee

The Youth Projects Officer reported that the position on the CBD Enhancement Committee that was occupied by a Youth Advisory Council member was currently vacant. He outlined the role of the committee and asked if any members were interested in nominating for the committee. Michael Blanchard indicated his interest in the position on the committee and members agreed to support his nomination.

ACTION

Members agreed to

- 1. Support the nomination of Michael Blanchard as youth representative to the CBD Enhancement Committee.*

Keyfund Opportunities

Michael Blanchard reported to members that he had recently attended a workshop held by Michael Evans from Keyfund. Keyfund is a youth education project that operates in the United Kingdom and supports young people to make their ideas a reality. The process involves funding young people in stages and an appropriate adult mentor closely monitors the process. The main criteria are that the project must be safe, legal and achievable.

Members discussed the possibility of initiating a similar type of project as a pilot in Joondalup. Many possibilities were suggested to raise the required money to conduct this pilot and it was suggested that the Youth Advisory Council investigate the possibility of having a component of the Community Funding Program allocated to conduct a pilot of a similar program with young people.

The Youth Project Officer requested any background materials regarding the project to use as support materials.

ACTIONS

- 1. The Youth Project Officer will investigate the possibility of having a component of the Community Funding Program allocated to conduct a pilot of a program similar to the Keyfund program.*

Youth Curfew

It was highlighted that recent indications suggest “Crime and Safety” will be a key issue in any upcoming state election campaign and that the policy of “youth curfews” may form an integral part of the “Crime and Safety” policy for the major parties involved. With this in mind, members suggested that it was timely for members to research and debate this issue with a view to recommending an official position that the Council will take in regards to the issue of youth curfews.

Members agreed to research the issue of youth curfews before next meeting in order to conduct an informed debate regarding the issue. Following this debate it is hoped that a recommendation reflecting the opinion of the members on this issue can be agreed and presented to Staff and Commissioners for their endorsement.

ACTION

- 1. Members to research the issue of youth curfews before next meeting*

STANDING REPORTS

The Scene Newspaper

The Youth Project Officer circulated copies of the latest edition of the Joondalup Scene for members to read. He highlighted the timetable to complete the October edition and suggested that members would need to give thought to content for this edition in the near future. A plan to circulate content ideas was devised and agreed to by members.

ACTION

- 1. Members to give thought to content ideas for next edition of "The Scene" and email to Jeremy Manning for compilation and distribution*

Poetry in Motion

It was highlighted that insufficient entries were received through the last entry round for this competition and it was decided to try the project again. Members suggested that they would be happy to distribute to their schools and asked for a number of entry forms to be delivered to them for this purpose. The Youth Project Officer agreed to distribute these to members by mail immediately.

ACTION

- 1. Youth Project Officer to distribute entry forms to members by mail immediately.*

CORRESPONDENCE

Volunteering WA

Correspondence from Karyn Lisignoli - Volunteering WA was read for the benefit of members. The letter sought an invitation to attend a future meeting of the Youth Advisory Council. Members agreed that this was appropriate and suggested that a letter be drafted and circulated to members inviting Karyn Lisignoli to a future meeting of the Youth Advisory Council.

NEXT FORMAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, 15 September 2004
Time: 5.45pm
Venue: Meeting Room 3

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 7.30 pm.