



**WHANGANUI
DISTRICT COUNCIL**
Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui

MINUTES

**Youth Committee Meeting
10 August 2020**

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**MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING
HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, 101 GUYTON STREET, WHANGANUI
ON 10 AUGUST 2020 AT 4.00PM**

PRESENT: Cr Louis Devine, Yth Cr Ariana Cronshaw, Yth Cr Myles Simpson, Yth Cr Charlotte Hardy, Yth Cr Firooze Colaabavala, Yth Cr Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse, Yth Cr Sophie Archer, Cr James Barron, Yth Cr Brittanie Goodgame-Archer, Yth Cr Miriama Joseph, Yth Cr Siobhan Sarkar, Yth Cr Tiana Absolum, Yth Cr Chez-Ashli Peters, Yth Cr Jacob Brown, Yth Cr Ranee Nikora-Rehu

ABSENT: Mayor Hamish McDouall

IN ATTENDANCE: Cr Josh Chandulal-Mackay, Kate Barnes (Senior Democracy Advisor), Nicole Grey (Youth Committee Project Support Officer)

1 REFLECTION

Yth Cr Siobhan Sarkar ran an icebreaker activity for the Committee members.

2 APOLOGIES

Nil

3 CO-CHAIR'S WELCOME

Co-chair Charlotte Hardy briefly explained her role and her recent reporting to the Council.

- PROCEDURAL MATTERS

Committee Resolution YC/2020/13

Speaking Rights

Moved: Yth Cr Sophie Archer

Seconded: Cr James Barron

That Cr Josh Chandulal-Mackay be granted speaking rights at this meeting.

CARRIED

4 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

4.1 MINUTES OF THE YOUTH COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 29 JUNE 2020

Author: Nicole Grey - Youth Committee Project Support Officer

Authoriser: Kate Barnes - Senior Democracy Advisor

Significance of decision – In terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy 2018, the decision is not significant.

Committee Resolution YC/2020/14

Moved: Yth Cr Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse

Seconded: Yth Cr Brittanie Goodgame-Archer

That the minutes of the Youth Committee Meeting held on 29 June 2020 are confirmed as a true and correct record.

CARRIED

5 REPORTS TO COMMITTEE

5.1 HE IERE RANGATAHI - JAY REREKURA

Author: Nicole Grey - Youth Committee Project Support Officer

Authoriser: Kate Barnes - Senior Democracy Advisor

Discussion

Mr Rerekura spoke about his role and the role of Nga Tai O Te Awa. He also outlined the recent history of collaborative activities in the youth sector in Whanganui. He Iere Rangatahi is a living strategic document where youth workers have agreed to work towards shared goals.

Committee members asked Mr Rerekura for his thoughts on a proposed Youth Hub in Whanganui. He noted general support for the concept but his preference was for community hubs across the city rather than 1 central location. He supports any initiative that would provide young people with a sense of belonging in a safe, creative, and vibrant environment. The strategy document is similar to those used in other locations, but Mr Rerekura noted the Whanganui version was more 'organic' and involved less bureaucracy.

Committee Resolution YC/2020/15

Moved: Yth Cr Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse

Seconded: Yth Cr Miriama Joseph

That the Youth Committee receive the report – He Iere Rangatahi - Jay Rerekura.

CARRIED

5.2 YOUTH COMMITTEE BUSINESS PLAN 20/21

Author: Nicole Grey - Youth Committee Project Support Officer

Authoriser: Kate Barnes - Senior Democracy Advisor

Significance of decision – In terms of the Significance and Engagement Policy 2018, the decision is not significant.

Discussion

The Youth Committee Project Support Officer summarised her report, providing rationale for the focus on the Youth Hub within the business plan. The Youth Hub is intended to be a vehicle for a range of committee initiatives in future, however in the short term it will mean less funds are available for other activities. Members will be asked to 'step up' and take on more tasks to help action the business plan. Co-chair Louis Devine talked committee members through the content of the business plan with a focus on key tasks – the Youth Hub, uplift activities, and growing committee members.

Committee Resolution YC/2020/16

Moved: Yth Cr Ranee Nikora-Rehu

Seconded: Yth Cr Myles Simpson

That the Youth Committee adopts the Youth Committee Business Plan 2020/2021

CARRIED

5.3 COUNCIL RELATED UPDATES AUGUST 2020

Author: Nicole Grey - Youth Committee Project Support Officer

Authoriser: Kate Barnes - Senior Democracy Advisor

Discussion

Cr Barron noted he was resigning from the Youth Committee, and it was anticipated that Council would appoint Cr Chandulal-Mackay in his place, as he was a champion of the Youth Hub initiative. Cr Chandulal-Mackay briefly introduced himself and summarised recent Council activities, particularly the long term plan and decisions around recycling.

The Youth Committee Project Support Officer encouraged members to provide input on Council projects and other activities, this was encouraged by Cr Barron.

The Youth Committee Project Support Officer summarised her recent activities and highlighted key events for the remainder of the calendar year.

Committee Resolution YC/2020/17

Moved: Yth Cr Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse

Seconded: Yth Cr Siobhan Sarkar

That the Youth Committee receive the report – Council Related Updates August 2020.

CARRIED

The Meeting closed at 5.29pm.

The minutes of this meeting were confirmed at the Youth Committee Meeting held on 28 September 2020.

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