



# WHANGANUI DISTRICT COUNCIL

Te Kaunihera a Rohe o Whanganui

## AGENDA

### Youth Committee Meeting 25 November 2019

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Meeting of Youth Committee will be convened on:

**Date: Monday, 25 November 2019**

**Time: 4.00pm**

**Location: Council Chamber  
101 Guyton Street  
Whanganui**

**Kym Fell  
Chief Executive**

**Youth Committee****Membership**

Yth Crs Ahimsha Saravanapavan, Mia Perkins (Co-Chairs),  
Ariana Cronshaw, Brianne Drefko, , Charlotte Hardy,  
, Firooze Colaabavala, Haris Khan, Jonty Tripe,  
Sophie Archer, Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse, and  
Cr James Barron (Councillor appointed to Youth Committee).

**Terms of Reference****Purpose**

- To empower Whanganui young people to be the best they can be.

**Key tasks**

The role of the Youth Committee is to:

- Represent the community's young people.
- Promote opportunities for youth participation.
- Develop and monitor policy on youth issues.
- Provide opportunities for Youth to contribute to the decision-making of Council.
- Advise the Council on matters of interest for Youth in the Whanganui District.

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### 4.1 COUNCIL RELATED UPDATES NOVEMBER 2019

**Author:** Nicole Grey - Youth Committee Project Support Officer

**Authoriser:** Kate Barnes - Senior Democracy Advisor

**References:**

1. Strategy and Policy Update November 2019
2. Resignation Zach Anderson November 2019
3. Resignation Charith De Silva November 2019
4. Actions Arising (Hubble)
5. Actions Arising (InfoCouncil)

#### Recommendation

That the Youth Committee receive the report – Council Related Updates November 2019.

#### Strategy and Policy Update – Kirsty Milham

The November 2019 Strategy and Policy update (**Ref 1**) is attached.

#### Membership Update – Co-chairs

The Youth Committee's Terms of Reference require that the Committee comprises of 14 youth to form its membership. The purpose of this report is to advise Youth Councillors of changes to the membership, by way of noting Zachary Anderson and Charith De Silva's resignations (**Refs 2 and 3**)

Yth Cr Zachary Anderson was appointed to the Youth Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and tendered his resignation on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2019.

Yth Cr Charith De Silva was appointed to the Youth Committee on 19<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and tendered his resignation on 11<sup>th</sup> November 2019.

#### Governance and Administration Update - Nicole Grey

Nicole Grey, Youth Committee Project Support Officer will provide a verbal summary of her new role & availability, the role of the (new) appointed councillor, the expectations around LGOIMA and the facebook communication, and some details of connections made and events attended so far.

#### Administrative update

- Confirming process for administration, records management and communication of Youth Committee activities, internally and externally.
- The Youth Committee Project Support Officer attended some network meetings and met with organisations, including: Nga Tai o Te Awa, MSD Youth Service, Te Ora Hou, YMCA, Life to the Max, SENZ (Pasifika Training & Employment), 5-6 church youth groups, Light Youth, Waioara Trust, Palmerston North Youth Space, CCS Disability, Des Te Weri, Lez (Frank/Mint), Upper Hutt Youth Council, Ruapehu Youth Council, Prev Rotorua Youth Council. Further organisations to contact include: Sport Whanganui, Youth Services Trust, additional

churches, Napier & Hastings Youth Councils, PSAY representative. Attendance at these meetings by Youth Councillors is highly encouraged.

- Building connections within Council: Community Development, Policy, Venues and Events, Town Centre Regeneration, Whanganui & Partners.
- Recruiting volunteers for vibe event, including Ra Costello.
- Developing a method to measure how much youth voice has been provided on relevant council activities, policies, and decisions

#### Key issues for Youth Councillors

- Communication levels and engagement need improvement
- Recruiting - Consider shoulder tapping new members during recruiting, particularly with regard to growing diversity in age and location, as well as background, interests, and availability to commit to the role.
- Review of business plan required to align with Working Party Review
- Performance reviews to be conducted by Cr James Barron & Nicole Grey
- Compulsory workshop Date
- 2020 Formal Meeting Dates

#### **Actions arising from previous minutes update - Nicole Grey**

Actions arising from previous meetings attached (**Ref 4 and 5**)

#### **Council Update**

Youth Committee appointment Cr James Barron will give a verbal update from the Council.

#### **Welcoming Communities Update – Katy Newton**

Welcoming Communities has had a busy and productive 2019. Highlights include revamping the Welcome to Whanganui booklet in collaboration with the Whanganui Chronicle, supporting Multicultural March including leading our response to the Christchurch Mosque Attacks, holding our first Multicultural Puanga event and the expansion of the Festival of Cultures to a three week celebration of our increasingly diverse community. Connections between groups/organisations have been enhanced and within Council, a multicultural lens has been applied to many aspects of business. Nationally the Welcoming Communities accreditation framework has been finalised.

The Youth Committee has generously contributed to the upcoming Futsal Weekend (7 and 8 December) – this is a collaboration between Central Football, Football Whanganui, Sport Whanganui and Welcoming Communities. The Futsal Weekend provides an opportunity for locals and newcomers of all ages and ethnicities to come together and work towards a common goal. It includes Have-A-Go sessions along with a tournament and there will be New Zealand level football and futsal stars to inspire and motivate, along with loads of prizes and giveaways. I encourage the Youth Committee to participate in the weekend by entering a team and also sharing this event widely through their networks. Registrations close 25 November 2019.

The Welcoming Communities Advisory Group will be holding a strategic planning workshop in February 2020 to look at how we can be more effective at supporting our newcomers and multicultural communities. A representative (or two) from the Youth Committee are welcome to attend – more details to follow when confirmed.



# Strategy and Policy Update

November 2019



## Town Centre Regeneration Project



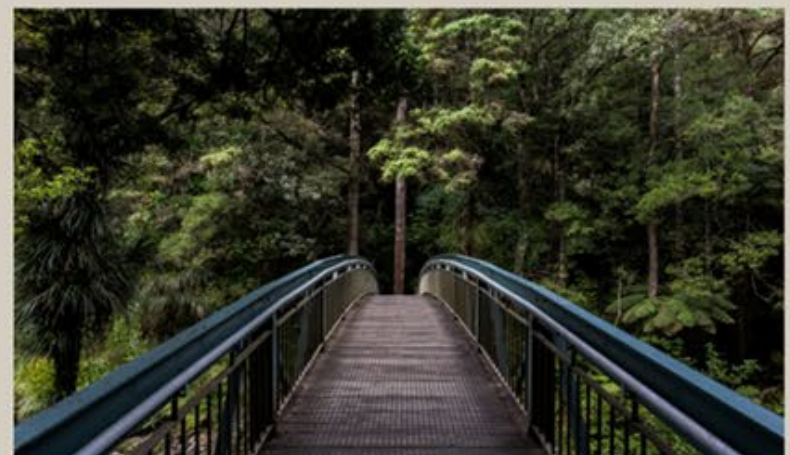
### What's Happening Now

The planned opening for the Maria pop-up is 30 November, and the giant pool table is under construction.

A project and engagement plan for the Rejuvenation of Majestic Square has been developed and agreed by the Town Centre Regeneration Steering group. Consultation on this is scheduled to begin in the first week of December,

Work is continuing on plans for Guyton Street and the painted road in Drews Avenue.

## Climate Change Strategy



### What's Happening Now

A significant amount of feedback was received during the community engagement period, including feedback from Climate Strike attendees. This is being analysed and informing the development of a proposed Strategy and Action Plan. Workshops with Iwi are planned and will ensure we progress this work in partnership.

Work is also underway with the other territorial authorities across the Horizons Area to progress a Vulnerability Assessment for the Region and to ensure we address climate change in a coordinated way.



## Housing Strategy



### What's Happening Now

A Housing Strategy was adopted by the Statutory Management Committee on 30 August 2019.

The Strategy is available on our website at <https://www.whanganui.govt.nz/housing-strategy>

## Local Approved Products Policy



### Whats Happening Now

In 2014 Council adopted a Local Approved Products Policy that will restrict the locations from which any Psychoactive Substances that were approved for sale would be able to be sold in Whanganui. Such policies much be reviewed every five years.

A paper on the review of this Policy is expected to go to Council in December. Notably, since the Policy was adopted no Psychoactive Substances have been approved for sale.

## Keeping Animals Bylaw



### What's Happening Now

This bylaw regulates the control of animals, poultry and bees to protect the public from nuisance, to maintain and promote public health and safety, and to protect the welfare of animals. All by-laws must be reviewed every five years.

Pre-engagement on the review of the bylaw is underway. A paper on the review of the bylaw is expected to go to committee early-2019.



To The Whanganui Youth Committee,

This letter is to inform the Whanganui Youth Committee, its co-chairs, and any council members or workers involved within the committee of my intention to resign from the youth council effective immediately. As the motions of my future become clearer, it comes fitting that my time on the committee must come to an end. In my resignation, the committee deserves to have someone to replace me who is more willing and committed to the initiatives of the youth council, much like the rest of the group is.

I joined the youth committee one and a half years ago, on a rapid whim. My friend was applying for it, and he managed to rope me in as well and since then, I have no regrets about that decision. The youth committee, more than anything for me, was an opportunity to plant myself within a community and branch out my usefulness towards a wider range of people, and an opportunity to meet new people across the different schools in Whanganui. But as the state of the committee shifts, I feel as though I have fulfilled that opportunity as much as I can, but what an amazing opportunity it has been. And that's the best thing about this youth council. For every single person that comes onto the youth committee, it serves as a completely unique opportunity for those individuals. A chance to grow, expand your skill set, meet new people, or create a difference, the committee has served myself and others in these ways and many more in our time.

As a token of a leaving member of this group, I would like to give some observational advice in reflection of my time on the committee:

1. Be proud of the committee. To be a part of something like this is truly unique and should never be something that its members or outside people doubt about being a waste of time because it, one hundred percent, isn't. Through the youth council, you have a method, title, and presence to create what you want out of the committee and with that you need to be absolutely proud of everything the committee stands for, what you have done, and what you will do.
2. Remember to support each other. The funny way the committee works is that you become familiar with your fellow members and become aware of their strengths, weaknesses, passions, pains; differences which attribute to the success of the group. You pretty much are friends despite you schooling, age group, and interests, and as good friends do, you must support each other in whatever venture, even outside of the committee. It makes all the difference knowing that even if one person stands beside you, you can be and should be free to be the best you that you can be, and for most people, it all starts from the people around them.
3. Be as committed as you can be. I can't speak for myself here but a floating issue surrounding the youth council is commitment. Ironically, the type of people that the committee attracts are the busiest people, and that's totally fine. They say that if you want to get something done, ask

a busy person, and I can't stand by that enough. The committee offers a chance to learn and grow in being a 'good' busy person. Think about why you joined the committee and how they compare to the other aspects of your busy life and always make sure that each commitment gets equal attention. In this new younger committee, which I am excited about, there will always be other commitments but hopefully integrating the committee into your normal routines should be a lot easier, I reckon.

I know I never took on any leadership roles despite being an elder member of the committee, I didn't dedicate as much time as I could, or at times stand up and speak out for the things I said I would, but I believe I've done enough to justify my time here and certainly gained a lot of awesome things out of it. I'd just like to remind you all of what I think the values of the committee are and what we stand for and that is: diversity, opportunity, empathy, representation, growth, friends, and joy. For the newer members or those who weren't particularly versed in who I was, I'd like you to prioritise these key ideas in everything you do that involves the committee and in fact, in whatever sub-communities you are involved in. I'd just like to say thank you for time that has been a memorable experience and I hope the committee got some benefit out of having me on it.

Terrima Kasih Banyak, Thank you so much,  
Zachary Anderson

Dear Youth Committee Co-Chairs, Claudia, and Josh.

After much thought, I have decided that I cannot stay in the Whanganui District Council Youth Committee. I've been unable to make the majority of meetings, and it'll only get worse from here. At this point I feel I am just taking up a seat, without being able to provide as much value as a new member of the YC could do. This was a hard decision to make, but I believe it is for the best. I truly do love this Committee, what it has done, and what its striving to do for our lovely little city. Being apart of the Youth Committee felt like being part of a family. There were adults and seniors to guide me, and juniors for me to guide. My time as a part of this family was so joyful and has had such a positive impact on my life. There are so many hilarious, fun, and fulfilling moments that come to mind. Josh's classic rapping, which had such flow and passion. Haris, Josh, Zach and I giving everything we had into putting up the vibe 2019 billboards, only to have it blow down just as we're about to leave. The insanity induced laughter which followed was a treat too. The retreats, which allowed us to form stronger bonds with each other. These are just a few examples of the memories I will remember fondly.

I'd also like to thank the past and current Co-Chairs and Working Party leaders. Their hard-work and dedication is what allowed the YC to perform at such a high level. They kept our formal and weekly meetings light, but controlled, and gave us all valuable experiences for this type of work. I'd also like to thank Claudia, Josh and Kim for the huge amount of support they gave us.

Once again, thank you so much for allowing me to be a part of such an impactful group and I look forward to what you guys will achieve in the future years to come.

Thank you,  
Charith De Silva

	Item	Resolution	Action	% Completed
1	3 September 2018 6. Child Protection Policy	<p><u>THAT</u> the Youth Committee work with Whanganui District Council's Human Resources department to develop an appropriate process for police vetting, with this brought back to the Youth Committee for endorsement.</p> <p><u>THAT</u> Youth Councillors participate in any relevant training in relation to the Child Protection Policy as necessary.</p> <p><u>THAT</u> a draft photography consent form is developed and brought back to the Youth Committee for approval.</p>	<p><b>Nicole Grey</b> This process is minimal, but there hasn't been time to put together the simple details.</p> <p><b>Nicole Grey / HR</b> HR have provided an online training tool to be completed. Nicole suggests we make a time to complete this together at the computer clubhouse or council IT room, there is some important trick to getting set up so we don't have to go back to Oranga tamariki.</p> <p><b>Nicole Grey</b></p>	<p>40</p> <p>0</p> <p>0</p>
2	7.Strategy and Policy Update	<u>THAT</u> the Youth Committee participates in a workshop about the Parks and Open Spaces Strategy.	<p><b>Policy team / Youth Committee</b> Work on policy is presently on hold</p> <p>Suggest we wipe this action due to the delay not being Youth Committees responsibility</p>	0
3	25 March 2019 Youth Committee and Governance Administration	<u>THAT</u> the Youth Committee supports Whanganui & Partners with Youth Week.	<p><b>Nicole Grey</b> This action can be removed as the deadline has passed</p>	0

Nº	Meeting	Item Title	Resolution	Officer	Action Note	% Complete
1	Youth Committee 29/07/2019	Police Vetting Process	<b>Committee Resolution 2019/15</b>  <u>THAT</u> the Youth Committee endorses the police vetting process established for all Youth Committee members over the age of 16.	Nicole Grey	<i>All those that have recently turned 16, need to complete the forms, take one if you haven't received it already.</i>	30



**4.2 YOUTH COMMITTEE BUSINESS PLAN - 2019/2020**

**Author:** Nicole Grey - Youth Committee Project Support Officer

**Authoriser:** Kate Barnes - Senior Democracy Advisor

**References:**

1. Current Business Plan 2019/20
2. Draft design of new Business Plan

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

**Recommendation**

That the Youth Committee

- (a) receives the activity updates from the working parties
- (b) rescinds the current business plan 2019/20
- (c) approves the new business plan 2019/20

**Working Party Updates**

Below are activity updates from some of the working parties:

**Youth Hub (Nikita)**

Nicole and Nikita have had an initial discussion and are on the same page around a youth hub. Many conversations have taken place (Nga Tai o Te Awa, AYM, Te Ora Hou, Youth Cluster, Wellbeing Network) Nicole has visited Palmerston North's council-funded Youth Space, priced one Victoria Ave premises and has started to document various youth organisations interest, current premises suitability and budgets or current expenditure. It is recommended that the Committee raise this project's priority as it will leave a lasting impact on the town.

**Vibe (none)**

Without a working party leader or headline act confirmed, the Vibe event for the 2019/20 Business Plan has been adjusted to a smaller, collaborative event still focused on Mental Health awareness and based around Majestic Square. There have been some great brainstorming and planning meetings and huge engagement from other organisations. The resulting business plan changes are evaluated below.

**Consultation - Youth Connect (Mia)**

Youth Connect has been postponed until Term 1 2020 to enable it to reach a wider audience, and include over 18s. If William Pike is still used as a guest speaker, the budget would need to be expanded. An initial planning meeting has taken place with further working party meetings to happen.

**Art Projects (none)**

Whanganui and Partners have interest in developing a youth arts council along with others. Town Centre Regeneration wants to give an alleyway to Youth Committee to design and complete. Budget would be provided, and the committee could run a competition to decide the artist(s).

#### Advertising (Brianne)

The Committee's Social Media accounts are relatively inactive so we need to develop a workable process so that posts from many directions can be shared. Social Media posts communicate the views of the entire committee. We should look to create a master list of advertising for events or opportunities.

#### CCE (Charlotte, Nikita)

Funding has been approved for futsal Tournament, as well as the Arts Review Youth Award. Both events require attendance. The Black Stacks have applied. If approved, this would conclude the funding available for the year unless the budget was adjusted.

#### Admin Costs NA

To be updated as shown

Youth Committee members are asked to consider future Working Party leadership and membership.

### **BUSINESS PLAN ADJUSTMENTS**

#### **Executive Summary**

The purpose of this item is for the Youth Committee to decide on some adjustments to the Business Plan 2019/20.

Vibe in its original state has been unable to happen in this financial year. There is a similarly focused event with a much smaller budget happening on Dec 13<sup>th</sup>.

In order to re-allocate the money responsibly, a decision around the future of Vibe as a whole is recommended.

The Youth Committee's capacity and strategic direction should influence this decision.

Some budget details also were not included in the existing business plan (admin costs).

Staff recommend removing the Youth Community Support working party as this has no leader or working party members, was originally allocated a very small budget, and appears to be a specific small, single project that requires a lot of administration.

The staff recommendations are all included in the draft new Youth Committee Business Plan 2019/20 attached.

#### **Background**

Due to the Working Party review of the Terms of Reference and direction of the Youth Committee, as well as the new project support officer role, there are some changes to the current business plan required to better enable the current Youth Committee to achieve their purposes and strategic alignment in this financial year.

**Considerations**

- The large number of vacancies currently and the smaller number on the committee due to the updated terms of reference.
- The current age, time availability, inexperience, performance and motivation of those on the youth committee, for example non-RSVP by many members to the recent progress workshop focused on Vibe's future.
- Whether using a large amount of financial and time resources to run a single event is a responsible use of not only ratepayers' money, but also in how to achieve the key tasks of the youth committee to the highest possible level – asking the question, "Could we achieve more with this money and time towards the key tasks if we didn't run Vibe?".
- The working party areas that will suffer as a result of deciding to run Vibe with the current capacity of the youth committee
- The commitments and freedom that new youth committee members will be required to operate under as a result of these decisions
- The large scale of Vibe, for example the Health & Safety requirements alone are significant,
- The possibility that Vibe can still exist for the Rangatahi of Whanganui but not be reliant on the Youth Committee

**Options**

The options below are listed in order of preference.

1. Outsource the leadership of Vibe and contribute \$15,000 per year to the leadership (to retain the ability to have a headline act included) and support where possible with running.
2. Outsource Vibe entirely (which would mean no guarantee of its survival).
3. Seek to collaborate significantly and run Vibe with other organisations.
4. Continue to run Vibe entirely from Youth Committee's resources.

## SUMMARY OF CONSIDERATIONS

**Fit with purpose of local government**

Adjusting the Youth Committee Business Plan to better reflect the resources and direction of the Youth Committee, fulfils all purposes of local government

[Link: Section 10 of the Local Government Act 2002](#)

**Fit with strategic framework**

Select checkboxes to indicate whether the decision / report contributes, detracts or has no impact

	Contributes	Detracts	No impact
Leading Edge Strategy	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Long-Term Plan	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Infrastructure Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Economic Development Strategy	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other Policies or Plans -	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

The Business Plan aligns with the leading edge strategy and the youth connect strategy after any changes considered here

[Link: Leading Edge Strategy](#)

**Risks**

The recommended decision has a minor degree of risk.

The following risks have been considered and identified:

- ☒ **Financial** risks related to the financial management of Council and the ability to fund Council activities and operations, now and into the future
- ☒ **Service delivery** risks related to the meeting of levels of service to the community
- ☒ **Reputation / image** risks that affect the way the Council and staff are perceived by the community - nationwide, internationally, by stakeholders, and the media
- ☐ **Legal compliance (regulatory)** risks related to the ability of management to effectively manage the Council, comply with legal obligations and avoid being exposed to liability
- ☐ **Environmental** risks related to the environmental impacts of activities undertaken by the Council. Includes potential or negative environmental and / or ecological impacts, regardless of whether these are reversible or irreversible
- ☐ **Health, safety and wellbeing** risks related to the health, safety and wellbeing of Council staff, contractors and the general public when using Council's facilities and services
- ☐ **Information technology and management** risks related to the integrity of the Council's IT network, including security, access and data management
- ☐ **Infrastructure / assets** risks related to the inability of assets to provide the required level of service in the most cost effective manner

☒ **Project completion** *risk of failure to complete on time, on budget and to plan*

The changes proposed are intending to further minimize all risks.

The financial risk is around any changes causing possible confusion about Youth Committee budget and/or bringing the expenditure into question. This decision and changes are proposed to aid responsible expenditure of the Youth Committee Budget.

The decision impacts an event that has a real need and value in the community and holds a high level of reputation due to previous successful delivery. Accurately assessing the current capacity of the Youth Committee to deliver these events and adjusting the business plan to reflect this may result in a lower level of service delivery and reputation by the Youth Committee.

The decision may impact on the number and size of projects completed by the Youth Committee in the financial year, however it will not negatively affect the ability to stay to target budget.

[Link: Risk Management Policy](#)

**Policy implications**

Not applicable

**Financial considerations**

Vibe's current budget in the Business Plan is \$24,500

The suggested budget for the replacement event is \$5,000 or under.

This leaves a remaining \$19,500.

Options that could be considered when determining re-allocation of this budget are

- Reserving all or some for the next financial year, with or without a target allocation in mind
- Re-allocating all or some funds amongst other Working Parties (Youth Hub, Arts, Youth Connect, CCE Funding)
- That this excess could remain unallocated for the time being

☒ Nil

☐ Approved in LTP / AP

☐ Unbudgeted \$

**Legislative considerations**

**Significance**

The recommended decision is considered not significant as per Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.

[Link: Significance and Engagement Policy](#)

[Link: Determining significance overview](#)

**Engagement**

There has been a progress workshop held on 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019. There was also discussion around the initial decision to not run Vibe this year and a further look into the working party review and the Youth Committee's key tasks at an informal meeting (and via the Facebook group) on 14<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

The Project Support Officer has had multiple conversations with Council staff members around the working party review, terms of reference, and current business plan and the differences around the priorities that these documents display, not to mention significant quantities of networking around other youth organisations in Whanganui since starting her role. The overwhelming direction of these is that the Youth Committee's core business is not running events independently. This knowledge should assist with decision making.

This decision is based around necessary adjustments to the Business Plan and needs to be based on the capacity, competency and desires of the current Youth Committee members.

[Link: Significance and Engagement Policy 2018](#)

<b>PRE-ENGAGEMENT Community groups / stakeholders</b>	<b>Date / Status</b>	<b>Techniques to engage</b>

<b>CONSULTATION Community group / stakeholder</b>	<b>Level of engagement on spectrum</b>	<b>Techniques to engage</b>





## **Whanganui District Council Youth Committee Business Plan 2019/2020**

### **Introductory Statement**

This Business Plan has been prepared by the Whanganui District Council Youth Committee to inform its priorities over the 2019/2020 financial year. The priorities included in this Business Plan were drafted by Youth Councillors at the 2019 Annual Retreat (26-28 July 2019) with budget allocations made at the Business Plan meeting held on 27 July 2019.

This Business Plan includes a budget allocation of \$65,000, consisting of:

Project, governance and administrative costs which will be advised in detail in the near future.

From time to time, additional revenue can be drawn upon from grants and donations, this money is applied to projects and initiatives as appropriate.

This year's Business Plan reflects the directive issued from the District Council to be more focused and deliberate in the type of projects delivered by the Youth Committee. The Committee recognises that advocacy must be a critical part of the 2019/2020 programme, this is reflected in an increased emphasis on consultation and engagement with young people in Whanganui. Accordingly, the Committee has committed to holding an annual interschool student forum (Youth Connect) to engage young people in a discussion on issues, challenges and solutions facing their sector in the Whanganui District.

A key aspect of the Youth Committee's engagement programme over the 2019/2020 financial year will be the continuous support of the flagship event 'vibe.'

For the 2019/2020 financial year, the Youth Committee will channel its efforts into one key event:

1. 'vibe.' Music Festival. The 2018/2019 financial year saw the annual event 'vibe.' grow and doubling its numbers of visitors from the previous year. The Youth Committee recognises that placemaking involves providing activities and events for young people to participate in. The Committee still sees a gap in the Whanganui event calendar for a high quality music festival that brings established New Zealand talent together with local artists, and considers itself to be in a good position to provide this event. Additionally, the Youth Committee sees 'vibe.' as an opportunity to promote mental health and well-being amongst young people.

The Youth Committee has identified a possible collaboration with 'Nga Tai O Te Awa' in terms of establishing a Youth Hub in Whanganui. With Whanganui being an established and renown art community, the Youth Committee wants to get involved in art projects like the Whanganui walls and similar future projects. A working party has been formed to progress in this matter.

A new initiative will be on 'climate change' with several activities and initiatives regarding awareness and education in the matter will be discussed in the working party.

The Youth Committee wants to give back to the youth in our town and take on a supporting role by forming a 'peer support' working party attending to needs within our youth community and additionally continue with the Collaborative Community Funding Scheme.

Funding is granted to organisations who meet the Fund's criteria on the proviso that the Youth Committee participates in the project. This allows the Youth Committee to contribute towards improving outcomes for young people.

Finally, the Youth Committee has allocated a portion of its budget towards funding advertising initiatives, in recognition of the need to promote effectively in order to engage with young people and to ensure high turnout at events organised by the Committee.

Each project included in the 2019/2020 Business Plan will have a working party of youth councillors associated with it. Each project will be led by a working party leader, who is responsible for reporting back to the Youth Committee at each formal meeting. The Co-Chairs will present progress reports to the Whanganui District Council as required.



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## Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020

Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
<b>Youth Hub</b>	<p>Collaborating with Nga Tai O Te Awa to create a Youth Hub in Whanganui.</p> <p><b>Co Leaders:</b> Nikita Ebutt-Moorhouse, tba</p> <p><b>Working party:</b> Full YC</p>	<p>Building a broad and comprehensive space for a wide variety of youth to congregate in support of providing opportunities, youth empowerment, growth and development. A space where young people want to be.</p> <p>Supplying support for youth in form of professional groups dealing with "youth related problems".</p> <p><u>Developing Youth Capacity</u> - The Youth Hub would ideally include courses which could enable youth to gain a qualification (such as a barista course) to include on their CV as well as tools to help them find employment. There would also be opportunities for study help and support.</p>	ongoing	<p>Youth Committee report</p> <p>Working with Nga Tai O Te Awa, Council and the community to establish a working party to drive the Youth Hub forward</p> <p>Scoping community interest</p>	12-24 years	\$200

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
		<p><u>Health and Well-being</u> - Having a nurse and councillors available at the Youth Hub would be that young people feel supported and stay healthy. There would also be many fun games which could be held in the space.</p> <p><u>Place-making</u> - Having a Youth friendly space in which young people can feel valued and develop a sense of belonging. When the ideas and views of young people are considered in the design of spaces and initiatives and young people are involved in the implementation – it is much more likely that other youth will respect and use the space and or participate and enjoy the service.</p>				

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
<b>vibe.</b>	<p>Music Event based around “youth wellbeing and self -care”</p> <p>Known musicians plus Whanganui based musicians and artists.</p> <p>Youth market, Food stalls, Activities, Mental Health providers</p> <p><b>Co Leaders:</b> Brienne Drefko, Firooze Colaabavala, Charith De Silva</p> <p><b>Working party:</b> Full YC and volunteers</p> <p><b><u>Sub working parties:</u></b></p> <p><u>Advertising:</u> Charlotte Hardy, (L) Brienne Drefko, Firooze Colaabavala</p> <p><u>Stalls:</u> Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse, (L) Charlotte Hardy</p>	<p>Bringing youth together and providing support with “youth” related mental health issues.</p> <p><u>Health &amp; Wellbeing</u> - Ensuring that youth have a fun, friendly space in which they can learn about the different mental health services available in Whanganui.</p> <p><u>Place-making</u> - Having a music event which Whanganui is known for. Attracts people to Whanganui and showcases our town as a thriving place to be.</p> <p><u>Developing youth capacity.</u> Allows young people to have the opportunity to showcase their performance talents at a large event.</p>	14 December 2019	<p>High ticket sales and increased participation rates</p> <p>Successful partnership with existing youth organisations</p> <p>Achieving artistic diversity</p> <p>Secure additional funding and sponsorship</p> <p>Attracting attendees from outside the Whanganui District</p> <p>Attracting high profile music talent</p>	12-24 Community	\$24,500

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	<u>Technical Support:</u> Haris Khan, (L) Jonty Tripe  <u>Music:</u> Sophie Archer (L) Firooze Colaabavala  <u>Funding:</u> Mia Perkins (L) Nikita Ebbut-Moorhouse  <u>Activities:</u> Jonty Tripe, (L) Brianne Drefko  <u>Health &amp; Safety:</u> Brianne Drefko, Haris Khan					



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<b>Climate Change</b>	Environmental awareness activity  <b>Leader:</b> Ahimsha Saravanapavan <b>Working party:</b> Mia Perkins, Sophie Archer, Charith De Silva, Charlotte Hardy, Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse	<u>Health &amp; Wellbeing</u> - Addressing the issue of litter means that youth realise the importance of having a healthy environment and treating spaces with respect. <u>Place-making</u> - Ensuring that this environment is looked after and maintained means that youth can continue to use and visit the space	2019/2020	Number of participants	12-24 years	\$1000

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
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<b>Consultation</b>	<p>Surveys</p> <p>Rivertraders' Market Stall</p> <p>Suggestion boxes in schools and public facilities</p> <p>School engagement programme reaching all demographics</p> <p>Utilising social media to collect feedback</p> <p><b>Co Leaders:</b> Ariana Cronshaw, Sophie Archer</p> <p><b>Working party:</b> Full YC</p>	<p><u>Developing Youth Capacity</u> - Through consulting with the public the Youth Committee will be able to see which aspects of life the Youth would like to see improved and developed.</p> <p><u>Advocacy</u> - Giving young people greater control over what happens to them, through seeking their advice, participation and engagement.</p> <p><u>Communication and Marketing</u> - Ensuring youth are aware of information regarding Youth Committee and Council initiatives and communicating this information effectively.</p>	ongoing	<p>Number of surveys and feedback</p> <p>Number of market stalls held (4 Youth Councillors present at each stall)</p> <p>Number of schools presented to</p>	12-24 years	\$100

## Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020

Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
	<b>Youth Connect</b>  Correlating ideas and needs of youth in Whanganui through a day long forum consisting of around 200 student participants from around the Whanganui District Region  <b>Leader:</b> tba <b>Working party:</b> Full YC	<u>Developing Youth Capacity</u> - Youth attendees at the Forum would develop their leadership skills and realise their potential to be a positive part of the student body. <u>Advocacy</u> - Students will have a clear opportunity to acknowledge key issues in their schools and will be able to present their solutions and influence change. <u>Communication and Marketing</u> - Giving young people an opportunity to network and share ideas with others from different ages and backgrounds.	Tba (annually)	Successful meeting outcomes  Recommendation report to council and school principals  Variety of issues presented and discussed in different workshops  Attendance from all schools in the district	12-24	\$2000

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
Art Projects	Supporting the work of local, young artists by collaborating with various art outlets and give young artists a strong platform to showcase their artwork  <b>Leader:</b> tba  <b>Working party:</b> Brienne Drefko, Firooze Colaabavala	<u>Developing Youth Capacity</u> - Having the opportunity to take part in youth art projects would allow youth artist to gain skills and experience for their personal creative growth. <u>Place-making</u> - Giving youth artists the opportunity to participate in art projects means that they will feel supported in the prominent art space.	2019/2020	High number of artwork entries  Number of attendees viewing the artworks and participating	12-24 years	\$1000

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
<b>Advertising</b>	<p>Boost of the Youth Committees Advertising scheme for upcoming events, viewpoints and attraction of more diverse youth audiences.</p> <p>Facebook advertising boosts, Posters (with QR codes) in empty shop windows, Presenting at school assemblies, Presenting at UCOL,</p> <p><b>Leader:</b> Brienne Drefko</p> <p><b>Working party:</b> Charlotte Hardy, Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse, Haris Khan</p>	<u>Communication and Marketing</u> - Ensuring that youth know who the Youth Committee are and what the Committee's purpose is.	2019/2020	<p>Higher facebook visits, likes and comments</p> <p>High participating numbers at events</p>	12-24 years	\$1000

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
<b>Collaborative Community Events</b>	Supportive role of existing events	<u>Health and Well-being</u>	2019/2020	Media coverage	12-24 years	\$1000
	Pop up	<u>Place making</u>				
	<b>Leader:</b> Charlotte Hardy, Nikita Ebbutt-Moorhouse  <b>Working party:</b> Jonty Tripe, Sophie Archer	<u>Support of youth in Whanganui</u>				



Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
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Community Youth Support and Peer Support	Supplying support for youth in form of strategically placed boxes where items of need (like clothing, sanitary products etc) can be taken.  <b>Leader:</b> tba  <b>Working parties:</b> tba	<u>Health &amp; Wellbeing</u> - Ensuring that youths in need have clothes, sanitary products and other youth related items available for them.  <u>Developing Youth Capacity</u> - The support groups enable youth to lead a "normal life" and give them opportunities for study help and support.  <u>Place making</u>	2019/2020	Number of participants	12-24 years	CY Support: \$1000  Peer Support: \$200

Youth Committee Business Plan 2019-2020						
Priority Initiative	Activity	Strategic Relevance	Dates	Success Indicators	Demographic Targets	Budget
Admin Costs	Employing of Project Officer	Developing Youth Capacity Place-making	ongoing	Financing the Youth Committee	N/A	tba
	Governance costs	Communication and Marketing				
	Meeting fees	Advocacy				



**Provide Space for Council  
decision-making Input**



**Represent Whanganui  
Rangatahi (12-24)**

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# YOUTH COMMITTEE

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**BUSINESS PLAN 2019/20**



**Advise Council on  
Youth Issues**



**Encourage Youth  
Participation**



**Develop &  
Monitor Policy**



# STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

## RANGATAHI HONONGA (YOUTH CONNECT)



Health  
&  
Wellbeing



Communication  
&  
Marketing



Developing  
Youth  
Capacity



Place-making



Advocacy

### CONSULTATION



### YOUTH HUB



### EVENT



### ADVERTISING



### CLIMATE CHANGE



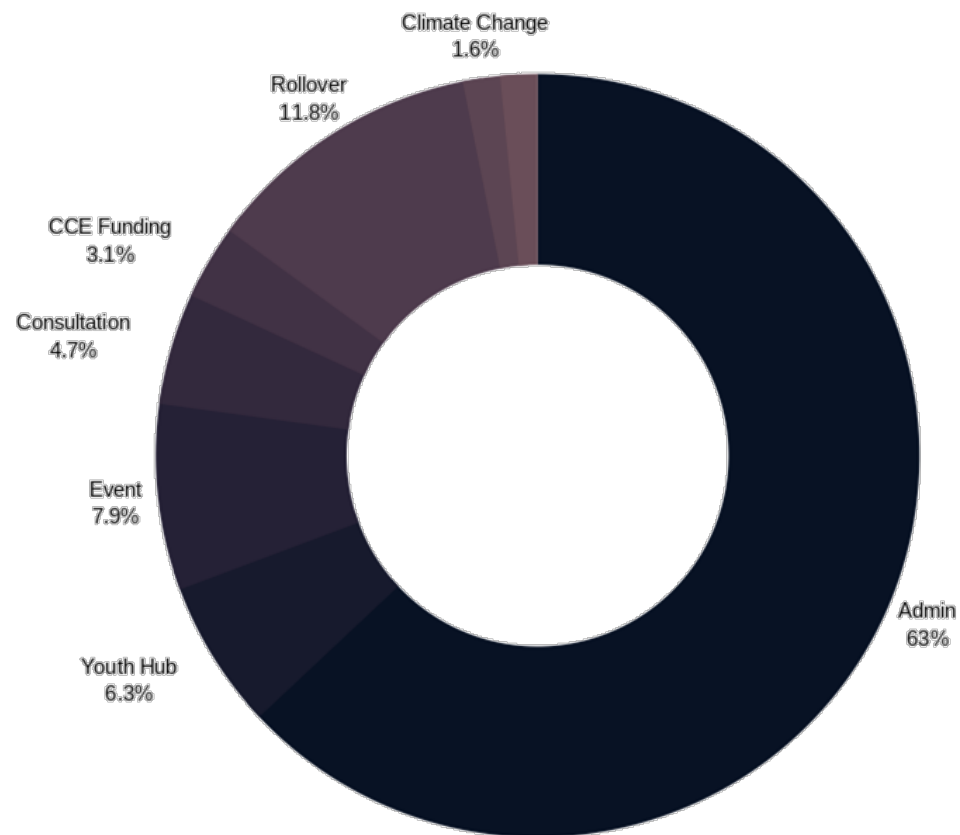
### ART PROJECTS



### CCE FUNDING



# BUDGET



CONSULTATION	\$3,000
YOUTH HUB	\$4,000
EVENT	\$5,000
ADVERTISING	\$1,500
CLIMATE CHANGE	\$1,000
ART PROJECTS	\$1,000
CCE FUNDING	\$2,000
ADMIN	\$40,000
ROLLOVER	\$7,500

**TOTAL = \$65,000**

# **CONSULTATION**

## **ACTIVITY**

## **OUTCOMES**

- **Surveys**
- **Stalls or engagement at various locations events (ie. RiverTraders markets)**
- **Suggestion boxes in schools and public facilities**
- **Social Media**
  
- **Youth Connect**

**A forum including workshops that focuses on ideas and needs of youth in Whanganui. Rangatahi selected or invited to attend from around the region**

**Discover which aspects of life Rangatahi would like to see improved and developed in Whanganui. Give young people greater control over what happens to them, through seeking their advice, participation and engagement. Ensure youth are aware of the Youth Committee and Council initiatives and communicates this information well.**

**Rangatahi attending the Forum would develop their leadership skills and realise their potential to be more engaged in the community. A key opportunity to acknowledge issues in their world and present their own solutions. Rangatahi can network and share ideas with others from different ages and backgrounds.**

# **YOUTH HUB**

## **ACTIVITY**

**Networking with other organisations in the town to develop ideas, needs and realistic requirements.**

**Working towards providing a space that belongs to Rangatahi in Whanganui, is owned by them, and improves lives in every way.**

## **OUTCOMES**

**A workable plan that enables Youth Committee involvement but not ownership. Allowing youth organisations to retain their identity and purpose but also collaborate and pool resources.**

**Plan provides a full experience - training, job seeker support, access to health care of all types, addiction support, entertainment and activities, resources, youth-led wherever possible, suitable for those from all backgrounds.**

**Develop an action plan that includes language that explains what it "feels" and "looks" like.**



# EVENT

## ACTIVITY

**An event that has a Mental health focus and provides interactive activities for all Rangatahi Local Bands participating Collaborating with other organisations**

## OUTCOMES

**Rangatahi have an increased feeling of things to do in their own town. Local youth have opportunities to run events, engage, and perform among peers. Mental health support and awareness is improved. Youth Committee raises awareness of being a collaborative contributor in Whanganui**

# ADVERTISING

## ACTIVITY

**Youth Committees Advertising for recruiting, upcoming events, viewpoints and attraction of more diverse youth audiences.**

**Facebook, Instagram and other social media, newspaper, posters, other printed media.**

**Presenting at schools, organisations and events.**

**Sharing and promoting other great events, kaupapa or organisations, both locally and from around the world.**

**Creating other initiatives to better promote Youth Committee, gain youth voice and other local youth organisations.**

## OUTCOMES

**Awareness of the Youth Committee and it's purpose and activities is lifted. Buy-in and engagement across all Youth Committee activities and consultation is increased.**

**Local organisations and activities feel supported. The reputation of our town and the opportunities for young people to participate are promoted. The Youth Committee begins to be seen as a collaborative network and a place to come and find information for Whanganui rangatahi.**

# **CLIMATE CHANGE**

## **ACTIVITY**

## **OUTCOMES**

**Environmental Awareness Activities**

**Helping youth realise the importance of having a healthy environment and treating spaces with respect.**

**Ensuring that the environment is looked after and maintained means that youth can continue to use spaces.**

# ART PROJECTS

ACTIVITY	OUTCOMES
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**Collaborating with various art outlets to give young artists a platform to showcase their artwork**

**Showcasing and promoting Whanganui rangatahi's artwork. Youth artists gain skills and experience for their personal creative growth. Young Artists feel supported in the local art space and others feel that their town is an interesting, creative place to be. Local spots benefit from designs, ideas or artwork created by rangatahi**

# **ACTIVITY**

# **CCE FUNDING**

# **OUTCOMES**

**Review applications and approve/decline  
for Collaborative Community Event Funding**

**Promote the CCE Funding**

**Evaluate the usefulness and  
process of this working party**

**Local events are supported and  
encouraged. Youth Committee are  
engaged in events. There are  
applications over and above the amount  
budgeted. The purpose of this working  
party becomes clear.**

# **ADMIN**

## **ACTIVITY**

**Employment of Project Officer**

**Governance costs**

**Meeting fees**

# **COSTS**

## **OUTCOMES**

**The Youth Committee is given adequate administrative support, operates under the terms of reference and standing orders, continues in the right strategic direction and undertakes continuous improvement.**

# LEAVING A LASTING LEGACY FOR THE RANGATAHI OF WHANGANUI



Whanganui District Council  
**YOUTH  
COMMITTEE**

**SPEAK UP  
SPEAK OUT  
BE HEARD.**



