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<b>Venue:</b>	Meeting Room, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde	
<b>Date:</b>	31 <sup>st</sup> October 2018	
<b>Time:</b>	6.00pm	Started at: 6.05pm      Closed at: 7.30pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Jose Francisco	
<b>Meeting Support (MS):</b>	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors	
<b>Staff Convenor:</b>	Andrew Marselos – Community Project Officer – Young People	
<b>Circulation:</b>		

**Committee Role:****The primary roles of the Ryde Youth Council Advisory Committee are:**

- To advocate for the needs of young people and provide a mechanism for their participation and involvement in decision making on community issues.
- To act in an advisory and consultative capacity to Council and staff on matters affecting young people in the community.
- To assist young people in developing skills in various areas including, leadership, communication, advocacy, governance and administration.

**Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference**

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
	x	Councillor Penny Pedersen	Delegate	City of Ryde
x		Councillor Jordon Lane	Delegate	City of Ryde
		Councillor Chris Moujalli	Delegate	City of Ryde
x		Aidan Fisher	Youth Councillor	
	x	Muskaan Sidhu	Youth Councillor	
x		Anthony Kim	Youth Councillor	
		Kavisha Shah	Youth Councillor	
		Tim Zhang	Youth Councillor	
x		Emily Simmons	Youth Councillor	
X		Sophie Xiao	Youth Councillor	
	X	Alice Sun	Youth Councillor	
x		Cosmin Luca	Youth Councillor	
	X	Michael Apostolou	Youth Councillor	
X		Tasnia Ahmed	Youth Councillor (Deputy Chair)	
X		Lucy Fang	Youth Councillor	
X		Yusriya Amin	Youth Councillor	
		Chan-Jin Yun	Youth Councillor	
	x	Keats Mackay	Youth Councillor	
X		Gabriel Van Duinen	Youth Councillor	
X		Miffy Song	Youth Councillor	
x		Sam Pheeney	Youth Councillor	
X		Jose Francisco	Youth Councillor (Chair)	
		Sarthak	Youth Councillor	

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
X		Andrew Marselos	Community Project Officer – Young People	City of Ryde
X		Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
x		Michael Paine	Acting Senior Coordinator – Social Development	City of Ryde
	X	Lindsay Godfrey	Manager Community & Ranger Services	City of Ryde

**Details****Action**

1.	<b>Apologies and Welcome</b> Attendance and apologies were noted as above.	Noted.
2.	<b>Acknowledgement of Country</b>	

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<p>The Chairperson, Jose Francisco gave an Acknowledgement of Country as follows:-</p> <p>I would like to acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land that we are meeting on, the Darug people of the Eora nation, and recognise their continuing connection to land, water and community. We pay our respect to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and cultures, and to Elders both past and present and acknowledge our youth, the future leaders.</p>	Noted.
<p>3. <b>Acceptance of Minutes from previous meeting</b></p> <p>The Minutes from the previous meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2018 were confirmed - moved by Tasnia Ahmed and seconded by Gabriel Van-Duinenen.</p>	Noted
<p>4. <b>What's been happening in Ryde</b></p> <p>A round table discussion was held and the following matters raised:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Korean Festival held on 27<sup>th</sup> October was well attended.</li> <li>• Jose had enjoyed following the recent visit of the Duke and Duchess of Sussex (Harry and Meghan)</li> <li>• Gabriel advised that the drainage issue at 88 Talavera Road has been fixed</li> <li>• In relation to a matter he had raised previously regarding harassment and requests for donations of money near Macquarie Centre – Fair Trading has advised that such activity is not illegal.</li> <li>• It was noted that the City of Ryde Venue Hire policy states that applicants need to be over 21 years of age. This seems to be age discrimination – staff to investigate</li> <li>• An event will be held at Macquarie Uni on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018 featuring Bettina Arndt speaking about “the myth of campus rape”</li> <li>• Youth Council members have raised reservations with the Uni about the above talk but have been advised by the University that free speech is allowed and that the event will be permitted.</li> <li>• A fundraising day by 2RRR will be held soon.</li> <li>• Youth Council members are encouraged to become involved in the Korean Festival in 2019.</li> <li>• It has been observed that a number of children remain in the vicinity of Eastwood library after it closes. This is of concern for safety reasons.</li> <li>• It was noted that Ryde Secondary College is looking a youth mental health quite closely.</li> <li>• It was suggested that City of Ryde conduct a public speaking competition</li> <li>• The development occurring near Melba and Moncrieff streets should see an improvement in the footpaths in that area</li> <li>• Council has recently resolved to install sanitary bins and soap in all public toilets.</li> <li>• A community and social wellbeing plan will soon be devised by Council</li> <li>• It will include access to services dealing with drugs, alcohol, homelessness etc.</li> <li>• A cultural plan is also being developed to encourage the arts and culture. It will include opportunities for people in and out of Council</li> <li>• A community safety plan is also being developed.</li> <li>• Very positive feedback was provided about the recent Youth Theatre event</li> <li>• Granny Smith was also considered a positive event</li> <li>• Comment was made about the laneway from the 711 store at West Ryde leading to Victoria Road which is considered in need of improvements for safety of use.</li> </ul>	<p>Noted.</p> <p>Andrew and Michael to investigate the policy regarding venue hire in relation to the age of hirers by 3rd November.</p> <p>Issue of laneway to be passed to relevant staff for possible improvement re safety issues by November 5th.</p>
<p>5. <b>Mental Health in the community</b></p>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- As a Youth Ambassador, Cosmin provided a speech at the Mental Health event held in Coxs Road on 8<sup>th</sup> October 2018.</li> <li>- Cosmin spoke about the stigma of being young and not taken seriously in respect of mental health issues.</li> <li>- Cosmin was congratulated on his speech which many people said was excellent</li> <li>- The night was considered inspirational and a great initiative.</li> </ul>	Noted.
<p>6. <b>Social Media Working Group</b></p> <p>A meeting of the working group will be held on 7<sup>th</sup> November 2018</p> <p>Over 200 followers have now been signed up to Instagram which is excellent.</p>	Noted
<p>7. <b>Standing Item – Concession Opal Cards</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A meeting will be held between Council staff, the Mayor, Cllr Pedersen and the Shadow Minister for Transport and others on 6<sup>th</sup> November 2018.</li> <li>- Andrew will provide briefing notes to the group and update this committee after the meeting</li> </ul>	Noted.
<p>8. <b>City of Ryde Youth Strategy 2018-2022</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filming was recently undertaken as part of the strategy preparation.</li> <li>• A first draft of the strategy should be complete soon</li> <li>• The draft will go to a Council briefing on 13<sup>th</sup> November 2018</li> <li>• The draft will later go to Council for adoption.</li> </ul>	Noted
<p>9. <b>Granny Smith – The Core - Feedback following the Festival</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The event went well and everyone was pleased with arrangements.</li> <li>• The photo booth was very popular and the highlight of the youth area</li> <li>• The silent disco was also a success.</li> <li>• Everyone who took part was congratulated.</li> <li>• Special thanks to those who looked after the young boy left in the care of the group.</li> </ul>	Noted.
<p>10. <b>Public Speaking Workshop and future training</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Feedback from the workshop was very positive, especially in relation to the booklet provided.</li> <li>• Eight people attended the training and all considered it useful.</li> <li>• Future training ideas included marketing or pitching of ideas training.</li> <li>• Other suggestions were leadership/election process/job interviews</li> </ul>	Noted
<p>11. <b>Emerging Civic Leaders Course</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Five of the ten available spots have been filled</li> <li>• Youth Council members are now welcome to invite friends to participate.</li> </ul>	Noted
<p>12. <b>Summer Events</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Ideas were sought as to activities the Youth Council could arrange over the warmer summer months.</li> <li>- Suggestions included:</li> <li>- A pool party with sausage sizzle</li> </ul>	Noted

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Outdoor films at Meadowbank TAFE which would allow ratings of M or MA to be shown</li> <li>- An amazing race/scavenger hunt event – to take place in Meadowbank Park to Kissing Point. Would include people on activity stations and timed courses.</li> <li>- A colour run, trivia night or model UN event.</li> </ul>	
<p>13. Youth Week 2019 events</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The dates for Youth Week in 2019 are 10<sup>th</sup> to 18<sup>th</sup> April</li> <li>- ShoreShocked will be held on the weekend</li> <li>- It was suggested a cinema event could be held on the Friday night</li> <li>- Both Meadowbank and Ryde TAFE's have agreed to permit their grounds to be used for movie nights.</li> <li>- Could hold a Ryde Archibald Prize with an exhibition at Ryde or Meadowbank TAFE – See Street Gallery</li> <li>- Could send stimulus ideas to schools for activities to be undertaken in Youth Week</li> <li>- Sponsorship or prizes would be required.</li> <li>- A study skills/meditation course could be offered.</li> </ul>	Noted
<p>14. <b>Any Other Business</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The International Metropolis Conference is being held</li> <li>- Cameron was welcomed to his first Youth Council meeting</li> <li>- There are three applications for new members to the Youth Council to be submitted to Council for approval.</li> <li>- The NSW Business Chamber offers a job interview skills initiative which includes an online quiz to identify areas of employment you are suited to</li> <li>- Discussions on going with Meadowbank and Ryde TAFE's which offer job skill workshops in subjects such as barrista training, resume writing, job interview skills etc.</li> <li>- Young entrepreneurs are being encouraged as are starter courses for people who want to commence their own business.</li> </ul>	Noted
<p>18. <b>Confirmation of Next Meeting:</b></p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 28<sup>th</sup> November 2018 in the Committee Room at Level 1A Pope Street, Top Ryde</p>	Noted.