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Date and Venue:	23 rd September 2015 Meeting Room 2, Level 5, Civic Centre			
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm	Closed at: 7.30pm	
Chair:	Aidan Fisher			
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors			
Staff Convenor:	Michael Paine - Project Officer – Young People			
Circulation:				

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
		Councillor C Chung	Delegate	City of Ryde
		Councillor R Maggio	Delegate	City of Ryde
Х		Nichola Gregory	Youth Councillor	
	х	Sophie Lara-Watson	Youth Councillor	
Х		Aidan Fisher	Youth Councillor	
		Sarah VanDerMeer	Youth Councillor	
	х	Venetia Cameron	Youth Councillor	
		Nicolas Kyriazis	Youth Councillor	
		Ben Kyriazis	Youth Councillor	
Х		Rorie Fisher	Youth Councillor	
		Anthony Kim	Youth Councillor	
		Aigerim Tulekova	Youth Councillor	
		Edward Fang	Youth Councillor	
	х	Dinushika Dias	Youth Councillor	
Х		Kavisha Shah	Youth Councillor	
Х		Mitchell Stubbs	Youth Councillor	
Х		Krystal-Jayne Ng	Youth Councillor	
х		James Kim	Youth Councillor	

Additional Attendees

Name	Position Title	Organisation
Michael Paine	Community Project Officer – Young People	City of Ryde
Linda Smith	EA to the Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
Ian Andrews	Section Manager – Open Space	City of Ryde

Details		ls	Action	Responsibility and Date
	1.	Apologies and Welcome		
		The attendees and apologies are as noted above.	The information was noted.	

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2	Follow up from previous meeting		
	The Minutes from the meeting dated 27 th August 2015 were confirmed.	The information was noted.	
	Training sessions		
	Mike is obtaining quotes for a networking/first impression course. Information will be sent to Committee to guage their preference re provider.		
	Training should occur at the end of November.		
	Carol Mikaelian will attend the October meeting to talk about creating a website and options available.		



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3. Sport and Recreation Strategy Consultation

XXX from Strategic Leisure Group and Ian Andrews of Council addressed the group.

Feedback is being sought regarding the type of youth facilities that are lacking in the local area.

Many sports are well catered for but more indoor facilities are required. (currently only RALC and ELS Hall provide indoor facilities)

Items that are popular with teenagers include:

- skate parks
- big spiderweb climbing frames
- water facilities
- electronic facilities/wifi in parks
- solar phone charger facilities in parks
- jacks for phones and speakers in parks

Items that those present said they would like to see provided:

- performance spaces in parks
 - indoor/outdoor facilities\
 - graffiti wall
 - youth precinct near transport Macquarie Park or Ryde Park
 - skate park as part of youth precinct
 - parkor
 - dancing areas
 - outdoor movie area
 - street youth area
 - squishy mats
 - tennis wall
 - padel handball/squash cross
 - volleyball
 - Frisbee
 - Trampolines
 - Bubble soccer
 - Running track
 - Life sized board games

Members of the Youth Council also made the following general comments.

- Whilst the RALC is popular for items such as lap swimming and the beach area, the surf rider is not popular with young people. It is very expensive.
- The idea of a youth precinct was popular.
 This could have items such as table tennis, basketball and a warehouse fee.
- Venues such as Chatswood Youth Centre and the centre opposite UTS in the city are popular.
- Outdoor gym equipment and extra seating areas in parks would also be well regarded.
- The idea of incorporating youth activities with areas that sell food was popular

The points raised were noted by the consultant and Council staff present.



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4.	 Granny Smith Subcommittee - Feedback from meetings The size of the area available on the day of the festival has been reduced as parts of the grounds and school buildings are used by a private organisation. There will be performances by two bands, David Taylor, a dance group and Ryde Youth Theatre. Afghan kite making will take place Henna painting and a cooking demonstration are also confirmed. Two inflatable items - bungy run and obstacle course will be installed. 	The next meeting of the subcommittee will take place on Thursday at 4.30pm.	
5.	NaNoWriMo Working Group – Feedback from meetings The Committee is looking to promote this event by placing relevant information on bookmarks to be distributed widely. Posters and videos will also be created to promote the event.	The information was noted.	
6.	Mike advised that a sum of \$800,000 has been made available by Council to establish a youth precinct. The Skate Working Party is now investigating various sites and will be ranking them according to availability of transport, size, location etc. A visit to existing well designed parks will be arranged.	The information was noted.	
7.	The Ryde Youth Council pitch to host the 2017 NSW Youth Council conference was successful. Mike will now seek Council endorsement to host the conference. Members of the Youth Council will be encouraged to address Council when it considers the report. Costings, advice on type of conference, logistics, activities to offer, guest speakers, sponsorship etc must all be addressed in the report to Council. Those who attended the Eurobodalla Conference agreed it was a good experience with interesting key note speakers and excursions arranged.	The information was noted. The theme for the 2017 conference may follow a technology theme and make use of the proximity and good relations between Council and various companies in Macquarie Park such as Microsoft, Foxtel, Optus etc.	
8.	Multiculturalism NSW Young Leaders Day Venetia was absent so no report was provided.	The information was noted.	

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9.	Ryde Youth Council – Youth Councillor Training Ideas This item was discussed in Matters Arising from the Minutes.	The information was noted.	
10.	Standing Item Future Events/interests/what's been happening Ryde Business Forum meeting Mike to follow up.	The information was noted.	
11.	Standing Item – Media and Communications Volunteers required for 2RRR interview Sophie was absent so no report on this matter.	Noted Mike to chase up recordings of previous interviews conducted at 2RRR.	
12.	Any other issues Provision of Ipad to Media and Communications coordinator Mike advised that Sophie has been provided with a mini ipad to assist her to carry out her role as media and communications coordinator. Ryde Youth Council Performance Mike advised that tickets are available to the next performance by this group on 9 th , 10 th and 11 th October 2015.	. The information was noted.	
13.	Next Meeting: DATE: Wednesday 28 th October 2015 TIME: 6.00 pm VENUE: Civic Centre Level 5 Room 2	The information was noted.	