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| Document Ref: | D19/135717 | |
| Venue: | Meeting Room, Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Ryde | |
| Date: | 28 th August 2019 | |
| Time: | 6.00pm Started at: 6.00 Closed at: 6.35pm | |
| Chair: | Youth Councillor | |
| Meeting Support (MS): | Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors | |
| Staff Convenor: | Andrew Marselos, Community 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 |
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| | x | Councillor Penny Pedersen | Delegate | City of Ryde |
| | | Councillor Jordon Lane | Delegate | City of Ryde |
| | | Councillor Chris Moujalli | Delegate | City of Ryde |
| x | | Jose Francisco | Youth Councillor (Chair) | |
| | | Aidan Fisher | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Muskaan Sidu | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Anthony Kim | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Kavisha Shah | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Emily Simmons | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Sophie Xiao | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Alice Sun | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Cosmin Luca | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Michael Apostolou | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Tasnia Ahmed | Youth Councillor (Deputy Chair) | |
| x | | Lucy Fang | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Yusriya Amin | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Chan-Jin Yun | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Keates Mackay | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Gabriel Van Duinen | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Miffy Song | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Sam Pheaney | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Emily Yun | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Sarthak | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Matthew Choi | Youth Councillor | |
| x | | Cameron Last | Youth Councillor | |
| | | Adelle Thomas | Youth Councillor | |

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| x | | Andrew Marselos | Community Project Officer – Young People | City of Ryde |
| x | | Linda Smith | EA to the Mayor and Councillors | City of Ryde |
| x | | Sue Verhoek | Senior Coordinator – Social Development and Capacity Building | City of Ryde |
| X | | Sean Willenberg | Community Projects Officer Social Inclusion | City of Ryde |

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| 1. | <p>Apologies and Welcome</p> <p>Attendance and apologies were noted as above.</p> | Noted. |
| 2. | <p>Acknowledgement of Country</p> <p>The Chairperson, Jose Francisco, undertook the 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. |
| 3. | <p>Introduction and Notices</p> <p>All Committee members and visitors were welcomed.</p> | Noted. |
| 4. | <p>Acceptance of Minutes from previous meeting – 31st July 2019</p> <p>The Minutes from the previous meeting held on 31st July 2019 were endorsed.</p> <p>Gabriel Van Duinen moved to accept the minutes. This was seconded by Cosmin Luca</p> | Noted |
| 5. | <p>What's been happening in Ryde</p> <p>Members of the group raised the following issues:-</p> <p><u>Transport</u> – The issues with the train system in Sydney and the subsequent disruption to services has had an impact on many members of this committee. Students and others have been inconvenienced.</p> <p>The metro is still not working reliably.</p> <p>Transport officers are conducting a blitz on student travel usage.</p> <p>The 506 service has recently improved in frequency which is an improvement for many in the local area.</p> <p>Buses at Ryde Secondary College are often overcrowded. Many students</p> | Noted. |

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| | <p>are now making their own way and not attempting to use the buses.</p> <p><u>Wear it Purple Day</u> – 30th August – being celebrated at Riverside Girls High</p> <p><u>Organ donation</u> An event was held at Holy Cross today to focus attention on organ donation – all students were encouraged to become organ donors.</p> <p><u>News from Council</u></p> <p>Slow down traffic signage will be installed near Ryde Secondary College.</p> <p>Holy Cross School will be receiving a safety audit soon. A barrier across Victoria Road to stop people crossing and a pedestrian walkbridge is being sought.</p> <p>22nd November – White Ribbon Walk will be held at Macquarie Park. Committee members are asked to let their schools know about the event. Clr Pedersen will supply further details.</p> <p><u>Macquarie University</u> has recently held its open day which was a great success.</p> | |
| 6. | <p>Social Inclusion Week Event</p> <p>Sean Willenberg – Council’s Community Projects Officer Social Inclusion addressed the group and advised:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A series of events will be held during the last week of November - One event of interest to this group is an inclusive fashion parade. - It will showcase fashion from Top Ryde shopping centre and will involve people both abled and disabled who will help with the organisation and execution of the event. - A rehearsal will be held on 17th November. - The event will be held on 23rd or 24th November - A working party comprising Sean, Julie Hill, Kathy Nair, DJ Joe, Jim Towers, Fiona Stewart, and Clr Pedersen and interested members of the Youth Council will arrange the event - Jose, Cosmin and Tasnia expressed interest in joining the working party. - Other events being held during social inclusion week include: - Zumba in the plaza will be held in West Ryde Plaza. - A silent disco will be held at West Ryde Library - An accessible travel expo will be held - An accessible disco will be held - A LGBTIQ prom style event with DJ, food, party will be held - Creativity unleashed – migrants, refugees etc will be invited to showcase their works to the public. | Noted |

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| <p>6. Review of Youth Participation Model</p> <p>Andrew advised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Still working on the model. - Discussion paper to be forwarded to committee members soon. - The term of this committee will be extended to November 2019. - The matter will be discussed at the next meeting of this group. - The paper will then be reported to Council for adoption in October. <p>The committee agreed with and accepted the extension of the term of the current Youth Council to November 2019.</p> | Noted |
| <p>7. Public Speaking Program</p> <p>Andrew advised as follows:</p> <p>Council has approved the program, following support by Cllr Pedersen. A working party has been established and will meet dependent on HSC commitments of the people involved.</p> | Noted |
| <p>8. Youth Ambassador Program</p> <p>Andrew advised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Online training has previously been undertaken - Face to face training will be held this weekend - Former youth ambassadors will mentor the new ambassadors - At the conclusion of the training, ambassadors will be allocated events at which to speak. | Noted. |
| <p>9. Granny Smith Festival – Youth Space</p> <p>Andrew advised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A working group meeting needs to be arranged. - Staff have most things under control with regard to activities, stalls, how arrangements on the day will work etc. following previous input from the working group. - Promotional material to be distributed - Possibility of marching in the parade to be considered – could wear the Youth Council tshirt - Youth ambassadors could also be invited to take part in the parade - Stress ball apples to be considered - Photo booth will be featured again - A book swap could be considered for the day | Noted. |
| <p>9. Marketing and Promotion</p> <p>Andrew advised as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A working group will be held soon to investigate the Ryde Rhino mascot which will be used to highlight the activities of the Youth | Noted |

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| | <p>Council</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social media has been quiet but there has been a lot going on at Council | |
| 11. | <p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Clr Pedersen advised that a young girl spoke at Council last night in support of school safety measures at Gladesville Public school</p> <p>Australian Afghanistan young people group met recently and Clr Pedersen feels they may be in contact with this group</p> <p>Link Housing arts hub has now opened. It is a lovely space for exhibitions etc.</p> | Noted. |
| | <p>Confirmation of Next Meeting:</p> <p>The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 26th September 2019 from 6.00pm to 7.30pm in the Committee Room at Level 1A, 1 Pope Street, Top Ryde</p> | Noted. |