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<b>Date and Venue:</b>	29 <sup>th</sup> June 2016 Meeting Room 2, Level 5, Civic Centre	
<b>Time:</b>	6.00pm	Started at: 6.00pm Closed at: 7.15pm
<b>Chair:</b>	Kavisha Shah	
<b>Meeting Support (MS):</b>	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors	
<b>Staff Convenor:</b>	Michael Paine - 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
		Councillor C Chung	Delegate	City of Ryde
		Councillor R Maggio	Delegate	City of Ryde
x		Sophie Lara-Watson	Youth Councillor	
	x	Aidan Fisher	Youth Councillor	
	x	Sarah VanDerMeer	Youth Councillor	
	x	Nicolas Kyriazis	Youth Councillor	
		Ben Kyriazis	Youth Councillor	
	x	Rorie Fisher	Youth Councillor	
x		Anthony Kim	Youth Councillor	
	x	Dinushika Dias	Youth Councillor	
x		Kavisha Shah	Youth Councillor	
	x	Mitchell Stubbs	Youth Councillor	
	x	James Kim	Youth Councillor	
xx		Krystle-Jayne Ng	Youth Councillor	
		Phillip Mathew	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

**Details**

**Responsibility and Date**

**Action**

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<p><b>1. Apologies and Welcome</b></p> <p>The attendees and apologies are as noted above.</p>	Noted	

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<p><b>2. Follow up From Previous Minutes and adoption of minutes</b></p> <p>The minutes from the meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were confirmed and endorsed.</p>	<p>The previous minutes were confirmed and adopted.</p>	
<p><b>3. Update on Council relocation and amalgamations</b></p> <p>No further advice since the last meeting of this committee. Court cases are continuing. KPMG reports relied on by the State Government have been called into question and are being examined by legal teams. The judge hearing the case is now on leave so no decision expected until at least August.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
<p><b>4. Guest speaker – Christene Squires – Australian Bureau of Statistics – August Census</b></p> <p>9<sup>th</sup> August 2016 is National Census night. The Census will look at population and dwellings ie the type of dwelling is being counted ie homeless, living in unit, house etc.</p> <p>Homeless are counted with assistance of groups such as Salvation Army and food van operators who look in well known areas such as local parks. Sometimes the homeless are counted by observation ie a male of approx. age.</p> <p>People of all ages are counted. People visiting from other countries on census night are counted.</p> <p>The Census provides a picture of the population on that night. Helps determine the facilities and amenities needed by the population.</p> <p>61 questions. – age, sex, marital status, country of birth, work you do, income, number of hours, qualifications, transport to work,</p> <p>You can't identify people by the information provided on the form. All information is confidential and not able to be shared with other government agencies.</p> <p>Statistical data only.</p> <p>The form is to be completed on line if possible this year</p>	<p>A request was made that members of the Youth Council spread the word amongst their friends regarding the census and its importance.</p>	

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<p><b>5. Dance Block Party Update 9<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm in Eastwood</b></p> <p>The event is confirmed.</p> <p>The event is being run by Dancekool who will provide all equipment and run the event including dance comps, etc.</p> <p>Security will be present as it is a drug and alcohol free event.</p> <p>Judges, including a member of Justice Crew will be present.</p> <p>Headspace will be in attendance and will be giving away prizes.</p> <p>Event has been advertised through schools, on social media and youth organisations etc.</p> <p><u>Skate event being organised for 24<sup>th</sup> September 2016.</u></p> <p>Looking to start to work with local skate groups to allow consultation for possible future skate facility.</p> <p>Youth policy also to be developed in the future and this would be a good tie in for that.</p> <p>Event to be held at Hunters Hill Skate Park.</p> <p>Totem will run the event and provide coaching, run competitions, etc.</p> <p>Scootering and bmx bikes might also be included.</p> <p><b>Possible ideas for future consultation opportunities</b></p> <p>School debates, battle of the bands, dance event, community bbq, movie night, Saturday sport community would be good to consult,</p>	<p>Noted</p> <p>All members are asked to spread the word about the event.</p> <p>Provision of refreshments to be investigated</p> <p>Ryde Youth Council happy to support the event.</p> <p>The information was noted.</p>	
<p><b>6. NSW Youth Council Conference 2017 – update 22<sup>nd</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> Sept 2017</b></p> <p>The group met yesterday to work on the agenda for this event.</p> <p>Speakers, guidelines, activities now determined. After each speaker will be an activity based on the topic covered.</p> <p>Next meeting 12<sup>th</sup> July when activities to be determined.</p> <p>Trying to arrange tours to technological companies and groups during the event. Trying to work out how to make this relevant to the group rather than just good fun for those attending.</p> <p>Invitations to speakers being issued.</p> <p>Youth Opportunity grant is being applied for. Council to be asked for funding. Corporate sponsorship and support also being sought.</p> <p>Report to Council being undertaken.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	

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<p><b>7. Training proposals – consultation training and other ideas</b></p> <p>Career training to produce resumes, interview skills could be of interest</p> <p>Could open the training to a wider group than just the Youth Council members if vacancies are available.</p> <p>Emotional intelligence course – training in this area to provide confidence in this area could be worthwhile.</p> <p>Consultation training will be beneficial to the youth consultation to take place in the future and also the Youth Council Conference.</p> <p>Consultation training would take place over three sessions.</p> <p>Would also open to Hunters Hill students.</p> <p>The lessons learned may be able to be included in the Youth Council Conference in some way.</p>	<p>Noted</p>	
<p><b>8. Tax Workshops – Sophie Lara-Watson</b></p> <p>The workshop would aim to help people lodging a return for the first time when they need to pay tax.</p> <p>Could also help people with small businesses/start ups which many young people are doing.</p> <p>Need to decide whether to run face to face sessions or provide notes which can be handed out.</p> <p>The idea is not to do people’s tax returns for them but to provide them with the skills.</p> <p>Could contact the business/tax school at Macquarie Uni for assistance.</p> <p>Contact the ATO to see if it is already running workshops such as above.</p>	<p>Mike to contact ATO. If it isn’t running a suitable course, then Sophie to create outline of her proposal.</p>	

