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Date and Venue:	31 August 2016	31 August 2016 Meeting Room 2, Level 5, Civic Centre		
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.05pm	Closed at: 7.40pm	
Chair:	Aidan Fisher			
Meeting Support (MS):	Amanda Janvrin, Senior Coordinator - Governance			
Staff Convenor:	Michael Paine, Community Project Officer - Young People			
Circulation:	Draft Minutes circulated to Staff Convenor (Michael Paine) on 6 September 2016			

### **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 Craig Chung	Delegate	City of Ryde
		Councillor Roy Maggio	Delegate	City of Ryde
	Х	Sophie Lara-Watson	Youth Councillor	
Х		Aidan Fisher	Youth Councillor (Chair)	
Х		Sarah VanDerMeer	Youth Councillor	
		Nicolas Kyriazis	Youth Councillor	
		Ben Kyriazis	Youth Councillor	
	Х	Rorie Fisher	Youth Councillor	
Х		Anthony Kim	Youth Councillor	
	Х	Dinushika Dias	Youth Councillor	
Х		Kavisha Shah	Youth Councillor (Deputy Chair)	
Х		Mitchell Stubbs	Youth Councillor	
		James Kim	Youth Councillor	
Х		Krystle-Jayne Ng	Youth Councillor	
	Х	Phillip Mathew	Youth Councillor	

## **Additional Attendees**

Name	Position Title	Organisation
Michael Paine	Community Project Officer - Young People	City of Ryde
Amanda Janvrin	Senior Coordinator - Governance	City of Ryde
Patrick Baffoun	Amnesty International	Amnesty International
Brendon Zhu		
Sophie Xiao		

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1.	Apologies and Welcome		
	The attendees and apologies are as noted above.	Noted.	
	Mr Aidan Fisher thanked Ms Kavisha Shah for being Chairperson and Ms Krystle-Jayne Ng for being Deputy Chairperson while he was away and for doing a fantastic job.		
2.	Follow up From Previous Minutes and Adoption of Minutes		
	The minutes from the meeting held on 27 July 2016 were confirmed and endorsed.	Noted.	
	Matters Arising from Previous Minutes		
	Radicalisation in local young men		
	Mr Michael Paine advised that he is arranging for a guest speaker to attend the next meeting to speak about Youth Transitions Program.	Noted.	
3.	Update on Council Amalgamation News		
	With respect to Council Amalgamations, Mr Aidan Fisher advised that there is no new news.	Noted.	
	Mr Michael Paine confirmed that following a decision being handed down regarding the Woollahra appeal, it is likely that the Judge will hand down a decision regarding the Hunter's Hill and Lane Cove Court case, however this decision is not expected until October 2016 at the earliest.		
4.	New Candidates for Ryde Youth Council – Brendon Zhu and Sophie Xiao		
	Mr Aidan Fisher introduced potential new candidates Mr Brendon Zhu and Ms Sophie Xiao and welcomed them to the Committee.	Noted.	
	Mr Zhu and Ms Xiao then introduced themselves to the Committee members and provided an overview of what they do, their interests and why they would like to be a member of the Ryde Youth Council.		
	All Committee members then introduced themselves to Mr Zhu and Ms Xiao.		
	Mr Zhu and Ms Xiao left the meeting at 7.30pm. The Committee members discussed the new candidates and then voted as follows:-		
	That the Committee accept Mr Brendon Zhu as a new member of the Ryde Youth Council (voting was unanimous).		
	That the Committee accept Ms Sophie Xiao as a new member of the Ryde Youth Council (voting was unanimous).	Mr Paine to advise Ms Zhu and Ms Xiao of their acceptance as	
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5.	Guest Speaker – Patrick Baffoun – Amnesty International		
	Mr Patrick Baffoun from Amnesty International provided the Committee members with a briefing regarding a Youth Engagement Program that he is running with Lane Cove Council. Mr Baffoun distributed some flyers to the Committee members for their information.	Noted.	
	Mr Baffoun advised that there are different action groups of Amnesty and that he is currently working with Lane Cove Council and their youth team to engage young people on Social Justice issues. Mr Baffoun confirmed that the Forum they are holding could be a place for young people to voice their concerns regarding Social Justice or any issues they may feel confronted by. Mr Baffoun advised that they are developing a play for and by young people about Juvenile Justice and would like to invite the members of the Ryde Youth Council to be a part of the play and the Forum.		
	Mr Baffoun advised that there are 2 free 'Forum Theatre' workshops which will be held in the 'Living and Learning Centre" at 180 Longueville Road, Lane Cove on Thursday, 1 September 2016 and Thursday, 8 September 2016 (from 6pm to 8pm). Any interested Committee members are requested to register with Mr Baffoun.	Noted – any interested Committee members are	
	The Forum Theatre Event is called 'Through Our Eyes' and is being held at Lane Cove Library on Thursday, 15 September 2016 (from 5.30pm for 6.00pm start to 8.30pm).	requested to contact Mr Baffoun.	
	Mr Aidan Fisher thanked Mr Baffoun for attending the meeting and requested any interested Committee members to contact Mr Baffoun. Mr Fisher also requested Committee members to spread the word regarding the Forum and to update the Ryde Youth Council's facebook page.	Committee members are also requested to spread the word regarding the Forum and put it up on the Ryde Youth Council's facebook page.	
6.	Granny Smith Update		
	Mr Michael Paine confirmed the following with regards to the Granny Smith Festival:-	Noted.	
	<ul> <li>Granny Smith Festival is being held on 15 October 2016.</li> <li>The Youth Zone (the CORE) has the same venue again this year which is Eastwood Public School.</li> <li>Wheelchair Basketball has been booked again for this year.</li> <li>Bubble Soccer is not a suitable activity for the Granny Smith Festival, however Mr Paine advised that it may be suitable for the Youth Council Conference.</li> <li>Foot Darts could be a suitable activity to run at the Granny Smith Festival. Mr Paine advised that he has requested some quotes for this event.</li> <li>A Dance Block Party will be the main activity this year – A dance studio called Dancekool has been engaged to conduct the Dance Block Party which will consist of a talent quest, free dance and a soul train.</li> <li>Dancekool have agreed to hold free dance lessons on a Wednesday evening commencing on 14 September from 6pm to 7pm in the Eastwood Community Hall.</li> <li>Any young people from the age of 12 to 25 can engage in the dance lessons and then will be able to join the Granny Smith Parade.</li> <li>Mr Paine will be meeting with members from Dancekool tomorrow to give them some direction regarding how the Youth Council would like the event to run.</li> <li>Mr Paine confirmed that the Youth Area needs to be closed by 6.30pm so that people can make their way to the Main Stage to see a</li> </ul>		



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6.	Granny Smith Update (continued)		
	The Committee agreed to open at 11am and close at 5pm with the Block Dance Party to run from midday to 5pm and other events such as Wheelchair Basketball to run concurrently.	Noted.	
	Mr Paine requested the Committee members to have a think about anything else they would like and to let Mr Paine know.		
	Mr Krystle-Jayne Ng confirmed that she would look at spinning board people and provide an update back to the Group.	Noted.	
	With regards to decorations – Mr Mitchell Stubbs suggested to have two flags with Ryde Youth Council on them and a banner to go above the gate at the entrance which also has Ryde Youth Council and the logo on it. Mr Paine confirmed that he would need to get costings on the	Noted.	
	decorations.  Mr Paine confirmed that he would book a Granny Smith Meeting for Tuesday, 6 September 2016 to commence at 5.30pm/6.00pm in a Meeting Room at Ryde Library. Mr Paine will advise members once the Meeting Room has been booked.	Noted – Mr Paine to confirm Granny Smith Meeting on 6 September 2016.	
7.	Skate Competition Update and Update from Skate Park Working Group		
	Mr Aidan Fisher confirmed that he had taken some photos of Skate Parks while on his travels which he will email through to the Committee members.	Noted.	
	Mr Michael Paine provided the Committee members with an update on the progress of the Skate Park Working Group. Mr Paine confirmed that the Working Group held its last meeting on 21 July 2016 and they have narrowed down the possible locations for the Skate Park to Meadowbank (near Field No. 2) or at Eastwood Lower Oval.		
	Mr Paine advised that if Eastwood Lower Oval is chosen, the Oval will need to be rotated 90 degrees so that the Skate Park can be accommodated, while ensuring that the sporting groups will still be able to utilise and play sport on Eastwood Lower Oval.		
	Mr Paine advised that if Meadowbank is chosen, there may be an issue with residents that live near the Park.		
	Mr Paine confirmed that while the location at Eastwood is more accessible than Meadowbank, there are pros and cons for both locations.		
	Mr Paine advised that a report regarding the Skate Park proposed locations will be presented to Councils Works and Community Committee Meeting on 20 September 2016 commencing at 5pm. Mr Paine confirmed that it would be great to have the voice of some young people attend and speak at the meeting, either on behalf of themselves or on behalf of the Youth Council. Mr Aidan Fisher and Ms Sarah VanDerMeer both volunteered to attend the Works and Community Committee Meeting on 20 September 2016.	Noted – Mr Fisher and/or Ms VanDerMeer to attend the Works and Community Committee Meeting on 20 September 2016.	
	Mr Paine confirmed that the Youth Council are holding a Skate Competition on 19 November 2016 at Hunters hill/Gladesville Skate Park, where the Youth Council will be conducting some community consultation (following the training they will receive in October 2016).	Noted.	

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8.	NSW Youth Council Conference 2017 - Update		
	Ms Kavisha Shah advised the Committee that they had a meeting recently and will be providing an update regarding some actions as the meeting which will follow this Youth Council Meeting.	Noted.	
	Ms Sarah VanDerMeer advised that she has been working on Expressions of Interest and getting the registration packs together and she will give an update at the next meeting which will be held at 7.30pm tonight (straight after this meeting).		
	Mr Michael Paine confirmed that the Conference will be held on 22 to 24 September 2017 and the title of the Conference is 'Making IT Happen'.		
9.	Training		
	Mr Michael Paine confirmed that Consultation Training is being held on Sunday, 2 October 2016 from 1.30pm to 6.30pm at a meeting room in the Ryde Library. Mr Paine will confirm with the training company tomorrow.  Committee members are to confirm their availability with Mr Paine and are more than welcome to invite others to attend the training. Attendees of the training will not be asked to pay for the training, however, everyone who attends the training, there is an expectation that they will give up their time to assist with the community consultation.	Noted – all attendees at the training are expected to assist with the community consultation.	
10.	Standing Item:  Discussion on Topical Item – Stabbing, Party Safety – Response from Ryde Youth Council  Mr Michael Paine provided the Committee members with a brief update regarding the stabbing at the party and whether the Ryde Youth Council would like to respond to this issue.  Due to time constraints, the committee agreed for this Item to be carried over to the next meeting.	Noted – Item to be carried over to the next meeting.	
11.	Confirmation of Next Meeting:  DATE: Wednesday 28 September 2016  TIME: 6.00pm – 7.30pm  VENUE: 1A Pope Street – Meeting Room to be confirmed	Noted.	