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File No:	CLR/22/60/7			
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Venue:	Pope Street Committee Room and MS Teams			
Date:	Thursday 30 th November 2023			
Time:	6.00pm	Started at: 6.05pm	Closed at: 7.09 pm	
Chair:	Jasmine Ye acted as Chair as Cameron Last was delayed.			
Meeting Support (MS):	Linda Smith – EA to the Mayor and Councillors			
Staff Convenor:				
Circulation:	Working Group members and website			

Committee Role:

Committee Members as per the Terms of Reference

Present	Apology	Name	Position Title	Organisation
х		Clr Sophie Lara-Watson	Councillor	City of Ryde
		Clr Jordan Lane	Councillor	City of Ryde
х		Bailey Linton-Simpkins	Community Representative	
		Hannah Young	Community Representative	
		Armaan Patni	Community Representative	
х		Will Brown	Community Representative	
х		Cameron Last	Community Representative	
х		Jasmine Ye	Community Representative	
x		Raj Thiagarajan	Community Representative	
		Anju Dhanushkodi	Community Representative	
		Sewan Kim	Community Representative	
		Josh Zuback	Community Representative	
х		Cassidy McKay	Community Representative	
		Aarzu Patni	Community Representative	
х		Esther Kim	Community Representative	
		Aanya Vashist		
х		Matthew Fu	Community Representative	
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Present	Apology N	lame	Position Title	Organisation
х	5	Sue Verhoek	Senior Coordinator Community Services	City of Ryde
	١	Nicky Hammond	Community Development Officer	City of Ryde
х	L	inda Smith	EA to Mayor and Councillors	City of Ryde
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1.	Acknowledgment of Country	
	Sue Verhoek provided the Acknowledgement of Country	Noted
2.	Attendance and Apologies	
	Attendees and apologies are as above	Noted

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3.	Confirmation of minutes – 31st August 2023 The minutes from the last meeting were confirmed.	Noted
4.	Actions arising from the minutes	
	 Ryde Live Music Plan Staff advised that Council is developing a live music plan and some of the Youth Council members attended a workshop. It is anticipated that the Live Music Plan will be finalised by March 2024. 	Noted
	 Youth Zone - Granny Smith Festival 2023 No meeting attendees attended the 2023 GSF so unable to provide feedback. It was noted that the 2023 Youth Zone was in a more central location to that of previous years. A survey undertaken on showed there was an 84% satisfaction rate with the Youth Zone activities and 83% of respondents stated they would attend the Youth Zone again. Suggestions included more interactive activities and shade. 	
6.	Indigenous Signage	
	 This matter was listed on the agenda by Anju and is to be deferred to the next meeting, as she was not present at the meeting. 	Noted
7.	Council's Updates	
	Youth Creative Competition	
	 76 submissions were received in the categories of art and creative writing. As this was the inaugural year it was an excellent rate of participation. The Awards will be presented next week to the winner and runner up in each of three age categories. The competition will be held again in 2024. 	Noted
	Need a Lift Competition- Youth	
	 A Youth Photographic Competition to celebrate positive mental health by capturing a photo of something uplifting, positive, or joyful in life or the community. The competition was for young people aged 12-24 who live, work or study in the Northern Sydney area. Judging was carried out by Headspace representatives. 	

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	 Shortlisted entries have been displayed in various locations. This is a partnership project between various local Councils, youth service providers and Headspace. 	
	Youth Week 2024	
	 Youth week will be held at the end of February 2024. Working group members can submit their ideas for activities to celebrate Youth Week. Events planned include: Battle of the Bands and a skate competition at Meadowbank Park. 	
	Social Media Sub-Group	
	- Deferred to the next meeting, as no members present.	
8.	General Business	
	- Jess Runge, Youth Community Development Officer, who is currently on maternity leave will return in March 2024 and will recommence support of the Youth Council.	
	Guest Speakers 2024	
	 Youth Council members are asked to email Jennie Dang if there are specific speakers or topics, they would like addressed in 2024. One suggestion was for members of Council's environment section to address the group. It was noted that the swim site is due to open next year and it would be good to hear from Council re the process for "cleaning up the river". 	
	Date of first meeting for 2024.	
	 It was suggested that the date of the first meeting be brought forward so it is not so close to Youth Week. Suggested the first week in February 2024. 	
	Update CIr Lara-Watson	
	 It was noted there are a number of community celebration events planned prior to Christmas. The electric vehicle charging report will be submitted to Council early next year. Submissions on this issue would be welcome from Youth Council members – perhaps the environmental sub committee could submit something to Council. Members of this committee were encouraged to write in about any matters they see listed on the Council agenda. 	

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	 It might only be a few lines, but CIr Lara-Watson assured all present that all submissions are provided to Councillors and read. 2024 will be a big year for asset renewal projects including the swim site activation and EV charging. The Events Plan will be submitted to Council soon Thanked all for their participation during the last twelve months and wished everyone a good break. 		
10.	Next meeting		
	To be advised.	Noted	