

CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ADVISORY GROUP

Wednesday 12 October 2022 at 6pm

Venue: Vincent Community Centre

City of Vincent Councillors:

Cr Alex Castle (Chair)

Cr Ron Alexander (RA)

Community Representatives:

Daniel Langlands (DL)

Fiona Buswell-Smith (FBS)

Maria Daniele (MD)

Nicci Salley (NS)

Suzanne Lawrence (SL)

Shari Stockdale (SS)

City of Vincent Officers:

Lisa Williams – Manager Marketing and Partnerships (LW)

Courtney Aylett – Community Development Advisor – Children, Young People & Community

Funding (CA)



1. Welcome / Declaration of Opening

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 6.03pm and delivered the Acknowledgment of Country.

2. Apologies

Cr Ron Alexander

Shari Stockdale

Suzanne Lawrence

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

AC confirmed the minutes from the 17 August 2022 meeting.

4. Business

4.1 Update of Recent Youth Programs and Initiatives

Youth Action Plan 2023 – 2026

CA advised the Youth Action Plan (YAP) went to Council Workshop in September. Council commented on the resourcing and budget for the YAP's implementation, advising that there may be potential to request additional resources in the mid-year review. Next stage is that the draft YAP will be presented to Council for permission to advertise for consultation.

Interschool Debating Competition 2022

CA advised that the Interschool Debating competition took place on 15 September. The West Australia Debating League (WADL) facilitated three debates with Sacred Heart Primary School's Team 1 being presented with trophies as the overall winning school. The feedback received was that it was an amazing day and students had a fun time taking part. Schools advised that event timing was good.

WAFL Grand Final

CA advised that recently, the WAFL grand final was held at Leederville Oval. There were several kids' activations for the event including face painting, colouring activities, street activities and a bouncy castle. The event had almost 16,000 people which was a great success.

YMCA Agreement

CA advised that the 3-year collaborative funding agreement had been finalised by the City and executive management at the Y. Harry Clark recently commenced in the role of Youth Services Manager and CA will be meeting with Harry shortly as an introduction and to discuss the collaboration and reporting moving forward.

AC mentioned that at Council Workshop it was discussed that given the limited internal resources where other organisations are aligning with objectives of the YAP, the City should partner with them to deliver the opportunity.

Addition of members to CYPAG

CA mentioned that at the last meeting it was discussed adding Sal Cleveray from Freedom Centre. The addition of Sal would require a report to Council to amend the Terms of Reference and request additional members.

AC commented that there is still a one-year term remaining for the group and suggested touching base with current members of the group that have not attended in some time just to check in. AC recognised that Freedom Centre are an identified community partner and provide great value to this group.

AC commented that as the report requires an amendment to the Terms of Reference it may be worth investigating whether an organisation can be appointed to be on the advisory group in contrast to an individual to provide additional flexibility.

Group members agreed on amending the Terms of Reference and requesting the addition of Sal (or Freedom Centre) and Harry (or The Y).

NS commented that we have previously discussed the importance of reaching marginalised networks and believed a stronger partnership with Freedom Centre was great. NS suggested that if service providers did not have capacity to be part of CYPAG we could request their input and share it with the group.

AC requested that the City explore the partnership potential with North Metropolitan TAFE as they are a network and resource that have a great level of potential in delivering the YAP actions and connecting with young people. In addition to this AC recommended exploring other partners in Mt Hawthorn or North Perth area.

DL commented that another option is that if there are multiple service providers interested in meeting we could potentially meet independently for collective input.

- ACTION 1): CA to check in with CYPAG members that have not been in attendance for some time.**
- ACTION 2): CA to request feedback from Governance on whether it is possible to have an organisational 'seat' on an advisory group instead of a nominated individual.**
- ACTION 3): CA to complete report to council on the amendment of the Terms of Reference together with the request for addition of new members.**
- ACTION 4): CA to reach out to North Metro TAFE for potential partnership or collaboration opportunities.**

Constable Care

CA advised that they met with the Community Safety Officer and the CEO of Constable care to discuss the development of a partnership MOU and what opportunities for young people were included. CA advised that the draft MOU includes the delivery of performances for primary schools, libraries and youth centres, up to three rapid response forum theatre workshops on topics such as bullying, mental health or anxiety, and up to two City After Dark tours. The City would like to look at partnerships with service providers in the delivery of these opportunities.

AC commented that there is community need for these programs and these are brilliant opportunities for young people.

FBS commented that her daughter went to one of their puppet shows at her daycare and it was a really great experience.

4.2 Update of Recent Youth Programs and Initiatives

Spirit of Christmas Banners Project

CA advised that all seven primary schools have indicated their participation. The Mayor and CEO will judge the artwork with the winner's artwork being printed onto banners and placed on banner poles across two Town Centres. Winners will be presented with certificates and framed art at school assemblies over November and December.

Young Makers Christmas Market 2022

CA advised this will be held on November 13 at North Perth Town Hall and Multicultural Gardens. We currently have 78 stalls registered in contrast to the 46 registered for last year. Registrations will close on Sunday. Stallholders have all received confirmation and the logistics and marketing for the event are now being considered.

AC asked if food options will come in. CA advised that there are not food trucks, however Kyilla P&C will run a sausage sizzle and some stalls have baked goods.

NS asked if we had data on how many of the stallholders were residents. CA said that this information had been captured this year and would share this with CYPAG after the event.

NS recommended a couple of stalls of local youth service providers there at the event to share their information or resources. CA advised that this hadn't yet been explored yet.

ACTION 5): CA to share data from Young Makers Christmas Market with CYPAG post the event.

ACTION 6): CA to investigate interest of youth service providers in attending event or hosting a stall.

Student Citizenship Awards

CA advised the EOI's had been sent out to the eight schools which are due back at the end of this month with prizes and certificates being presented at graduation ceremonies across each of the eight schools.

Queer D and D proposal for collaboration

CA advised that City staff met with representatives from the Youth Pride Network and Freedom Centre to discuss a potential collaboration opportunity. The event is anticipated to be a Queer Dungeons and Dragons event for pride month and will therefore take place in November if it does proceed.

Youth at Risk Network

CA advised the City was fortunate enough to be part of the Youth At Risk Network (YARN). YARN is a committee made up of over 20 youth service providers and the City of Vincent is the only Local Government. The committee works to support the youth sector to improve service provider collaboration through the coordination and facilitation of youth-focused community events, with a focus on improving outcomes and providing positive pathways for young people. The City will be hosting the next meeting on 16 November. The group is led by young people and YARN is currently recruiting for more young people (age 18-25).

CA advised that YARN will be hosting a Pride at the Park event on 4 November 2022 from 1-4pm at Hyde Park. The event will provide young people with the opportunity to be part of the Pride Parade and will also have interactive stalls, food and a vaccination clinic.

AC commented that it would be good to look at the models of the YARN Youth Leadership Group and the Youth Squad and see what would need to be done to successfully run the VYN.

NS asked what was happening with the VYN. CA advised that we have not been running the Vincent Youth Network as the community value in running the group when evaluated with the staffing time required to do it was not viable. The City is focusing on partnerships and supporting young, passionate groups of young people which already exist within our community, rather than trying to establish and run our own.

AC advised that when CYPAG was formed it had an end goal of becoming redundant and having young people take over and recognised that this was something that hadn't yet been progressed. AC commented that we have spoken about getting VYN members to come along and suggested potentially getting young people involved in other groups such as Freedom Centre or Youth Squad involved with the idea that they may potentially be able to take it over.

LW recognised that there was a great opportunity for the City to be more involved with the Youth Squad to use them as a voice to connect with young people rather than trying to attract kids that are already overscheduled to come to a meeting.

NS suggested hosting CYPAG meetings at locations which are visible to young people like The Y or at Foyer Oxford.

ACTION 7): CA to try and schedule the next meeting at The Y or at Foyer Oxford.

4.3 Upcoming Business

Mount Hawthorn Youth Skate Space

AC advised that the next stage of the skate space concept design is at Council in October. The next stage is that the draft concept plan will go out for consultation.

RYDE

AC asked how Foyer was going with recruitment of volunteers for RYDE. DL advised that they are still looking for volunteers so any help would be appreciated. AC asked if information on the program could be distributed to the group. It was suggested that the City pass on community contacts to DL so Foyer could reach out to them direct.

ACTION 8): CA to distribute RYDE information to CYPAG.

ACTION 9): CA to provide community contacts relevant for RYDE volunteering to DL.

5. Close / Next Meeting

The meeting was closed at 7.26pm. The next meeting was scheduled for December 7 however it was agreed that an update on what has happened would be distributed to CYPAG instead.

Next meeting date TBA.

ACTION 10): CA to send out end of year summary to CYPAG in December.

Signed _____
Councillor (Chairperson)

Dated this _____ day of _____ 20__

ACTIONS

Summary of Actions	Date	Status
CA to investigate how the City can support the Y and Foyer with employment / training opportunities.	June	In progress
CA to group Young Makers Market stallholders of similar age in the same area at the market.	November	Not Complete
CA to investigate partnership opportunities for delivering the Constable Care workshops.	August	Not Complete
CA to investigate formal induction of SC as a member of CYPAG.	August	In progress
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