

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ADVISORY GROUP

Wednesday 21 October 2020 at 6pm

Venue: Committee Room  
City of Vincent  
Administration and Civic Centre  
244 Vincent Street Leederville

### Attendees:

#### City of Vincent Councillors

Cr Alex Castle (Chairperson)  
Cr Sally Smith (SS)

#### Community Representatives

Laura Dunlop – o/b David Reid (LD)  
Abid Imam (AI)

#### City of Vincent Officers

Virginia Miltrup – Executive Director Community & Business Services (VM)  
Kate Allen – A/ Senior Community Partner (KA)  
Carla Stevens – Community Partner (CS)

.....

### 1. Welcome/Declaration of Opening

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 6.05pm and delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

### 2. Apologies

Daniel Langlands  
Shari Stockdale  
Suzanne Lawrence  
Rosslind Ellis  
Karen Balm

### 3. Business

#### Late Agenda Item – Pop Up Play Consultation

KA advised that a late item had been requested to be discussed, that was not on the agenda. KA introduced CS who is researching options for new Pop Up Play locations and ideas. CS advised that from reviewing the previous Pop Up Play, our Public Open Space Strategy and consulting with our Parks team, that 4 parks had been identified as possible new Pop Up Play sites:

- Leake St Reserve
- Edinboro St Reserve
- Blackford St Reserve
- Redfern St Reserve

Following discussion, the group agreed that Leake & Alma St Reserve and Edinboro St Reserve would be their preferred locations. It was suggested that Leake St Reserve could have a sand play area and/ or a swings/ ropes play area. Cubby building, obstacle course and climbing equipment were suggested for Edinboro St Reserve, under the shade of the trees.

It was also suggested that Matlock St Reserve and Shakespeare St Reserve be considered.

The group were also keen to see pop up skateable objects/ furniture at other parks or open spaces across the City.

AI advised that as he was experienced in working with kids on functional movement and obstacle course type equipment through his gymnastics work, that he would be happy to provide assistance with the design of these types of play areas.

CS advised the group that their feedback would be taken back and incorporated into planning for the public consultation, which will see signage placed at the proposed reserves with options for people to submit feedback on what they would like to see.

KA advised implementation was proposed for around March next year, before Easter School Holidays. The Chairperson asked whether the implementation could be brought forward for any small projects eg sand play areas, as they would be quick and easy to do for summer holidays.

**ACTION: Administration to explore feasibility of implementing Pop up projects prior to Summer Holidays**

#### 4.1 Adoption of the Youth Action Plan

The Chairperson advised that the Youth Action Plan was formally endorsed at the Ordinary Meeting of Council on Tuesday 20 October. The Chairperson advised that this was a great achievement and congratulated everyone involved in the development of the Plan.

KA advised that work was now beginning on implementation of the plan, particularly considering actions that address key areas such as mental health – with workshops being planned with Headspace and employability – with research being conducted into subsidising some skills courses and employment skills sessions. Other activities such as BMX learning sessions were also being investigated.

#### 4.2 Young Makers Christmas Market

KA advised that the Young Makers Christmas Market (formerly the Kids Christmas Market) was being planned for Sunday 6 December. The City is currently accepting applications for stallholders and the group were encouraged to refer any under 18s who were interested. Advised that marquees and tables would be provided, with stallholders required to bring their products, cash for change and chairs.

LD asked whether it was possible for under 25s to be accepted. KA advised that if there were young people linked with youth services who were under 25 and really keen to be involved that we would accept these applications.

KA advised there were around 25 stallholders already registered following a callout to last years' stallholders and we had 40 last year but were looking to have a few extra this year as the space could accommodate this. Advised that there was a range of products last year from baked goods, jewellery, art, Christmas cards, plants as well as old toys and second hand goods. This year the aim is to attract more homemade products, arts and crafts. Last year there was a coffee cart, unsure yet whether this will return this year. It was suggested that there could be a deal with the nearby bubble tea store (Utopia) if they were interested in participating. KA advised she would investigate however as they are a franchise it may be difficult.

KA advised that there were also opportunities for emerging musicians to play at this event and confirmed this would be a paid opportunity.

SS asked whether there were additional requirements this year for COVID-19 safety and KA advised that discussions with the Environmental Health team confirmed that we would just need to complete a COVID-19 Safety Plan and the usual measures would be taken with regards to food sales (permits required etc) with extra handwashing facilities and hand sanitiser to be available.

**ACTION: 1) KA to distribute promotional information for the Young Makers Christmas Market to the CYPAG members.**

4.3 Vincent Youth Network Update

KA advised that the Vincent Youth Network (VYN) had been meeting around once a month and had confirmed that the Barista Course which was cancelled due to COVID-19 earlier this year should be rescheduled. The VYN were also interested in seeing some events such as employment networking for young people with panels of employers and social events eg BBQs. There was further discussion around VYN and Youth Action Plan events such as Responsible Service of Alcohol (RSA) courses, other basic job skills courses etc. Jobs skills courses were discussed – the group agreed these were important skills to learn but could be difficult to attract attendees. It was noted that the City would need to consider if RSA training was appropriate – KA will check this with the Environmental Health Team who are currently developing the Public Health Plan.

LD also brought up that driving licences were a big barrier for many young people, particularly if they did not have family who were able to teach them or access to a car. LD mentioned that there was a course in City of Swan that was a 10 week program teaching young people DJ-ing skills but also teaching them other skills alongside this such as how to set up an ABN, how to self-promote and build a business. This kind of program appealed to young people but was also very useful in the modern day ‘gig’ economy.

Other suggested employment opportunities that could be targeted were tutoring and childcare. It was noted that working with children checks and other checks and certificates were items that could possibly help young people to gain employment and the City could consider assisting with these.

AI suggested that Gymnastics WA would be keen to participate in any employment networking events as they employed many young people in coaching roles as did certain other sports. The Female Participation in Sports grants were also suggested as a means to train more young people as coaches for female sports teams or athletes.

- ACTION: 1) KA to send out information about the Barista Course to the CYPAG members.**
- 2) KA to speak to the Health Officers about appropriateness of offering RSA training.**

4.4 Other Business

LD advised that YMCA HQ and WA Aids Council were partnering to deliver a peer support mental health event on 30 October and 1 November at HQ. The event will combine fun activities with opportunities to learn about supporting peers with their mental health needs.

AI noted that lots of comments had been received from users about the new toilets at the Loftus Recreation Centre, advising that the basins and equipment are too high for young children to use. WA Gymnastics have had to bring in stools to help young kids use the bathrooms. He asked whether future renovations could consider this. VM advised she would follow this up with the Engineering team.

AI also asked whether the Female Sports Participation grants were still available and KA confirmed they are.

- ACTION: 1) VM to follow up with engineering team regarding the height of new toilets at Loftus Recreation Centre**

**5. Close/Next Meeting**

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor (Chairperson)

Dated this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_