



## CITY OF VINCENT

### CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ADVISORY GROUP

Wednesday, 12 October 2016 at 6.00pm

Venue: Committee Room  
City of Vincent Administration and Civic Centre

#### UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

#### Attendees:

City of Vincent Councillors  
Cr Emma Cole (Chair)

City of Vincent Officers  
Lucinda Keillor – Community Development Officer (CDO)

Community Representatives  
Alex Castle  
Lee Cooper  
John Thomson  
Amina Currimbhoy

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#### 1. Welcome / Declaration of Opening

Cr Cole opened the meeting at 6.08pm and delivered Acknowledgement of Country.

#### 2. Apologies

Cr Matt Buckels – Council Member  
Cr Susan Gontaszewski – Council Member  
Michael Quirk – Director Community Engagement  
Caris Mooney – A/Manager Community Partnerships  
Joel Birch – Community Representative  
Dee Rowse – Community Representative

#### 3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes

The Minutes of the Children and Young People Advisory Group meeting held on 20 June 2016 were unanimously accepted as a true and correct record.

#### 4. Business

##### 4.1 Programs/Events

##### *Schools Planning Forum*

- Cr Cole updated the Group that the Forum would no longer be held in November 2016 as the Minister for Education announced on 28 September 2016 that City Beach High School would open in 2020. with a potential to partner with the Cities of Cambridge and Stirling for the event.
- Minister Collier held a separate forum about the new City Beach High School that Cr Cole attended. It was mentioned by the Minister that there was no urgent need for a new Inner City High School.
- Preliminary conversations have begun with Highgate, North Perth, Mt Hawthorn and Kyilla Primary Schools about the need for these new high schools.
- Lesson taken from event – it will take a lot of time and planning for a new inner city high school

It was noted that an education forum for Labor in the Electorate of Perth will be held early November where there will be opportunity to discuss plans, concerns and push for the new Inner City High School.

**Action:** CDO to find out about the education forum and share information with Group.

#### *STRIVE Leadership Summit 2016*

CDO noted that information about the STRIVE Leadership Summit was sent out to schools after last meeting but no interest was received. This was likely due to the short timeframe and was noted to revisit this in future years.

#### *Rae Street Play Initiative – Update*

The Rae Street Play Initiative successfully received funding from the City through the 2016/17 Budget Bids program. CDO updated Group that the City is about to begin discussions to support the training of community members in traffic management. This play out concept is currently of interest to Transition Town Mt Hawthorn and Leederville Connect. Main concerns about the initiative were hurdles to overcome:

- Cost of road closures
- Cost to train community members in accredited traffic management
- Implementation of a Risk Management Plan
- Need to inform Police for every event

Examples other current activities discussed included Axford Park Hawkers Market on Friday evenings over summer, Mt Hawthorn Hub's Food Truck Fridays, What's Up Wednesdays and Garage Sale Trail.

#### 4.2 Community Development Plan

CDO gave an update on the Community Development Plan, now called Community Partnerships Strategy. Updated Group on plans for engagement including promotion campaign and 'vox pop'. Consultation for this plan would be completed by 23 December 2016 with the Strategy to be completed by March 2017 to ensure enough time for budget submissions in the new financial year.

#### *Engagement Opportunities*

Amina shared with the Group the City of Belmont's youth engagement process for their Multicultural Action Plan. They developed a three year plan to be able to adapt to change in populations. This included:

- Engagement at schools, the youth centre and shopping centre
- Online survey
- Eight community forums for different target groups
- Engaged an external reference committee
- Individual meetings

Discussion around what age group we aim to target as different age groups have different priorities. Possibility of engaging the younger members of Leederville Connect and Beaufort Street Network and to identify what resources already exist in the community. Discussed the use of Facebook and the need to pay to get the best results, suggestions to engage young people on other mediums including Instagram and Snapchat.

Discussion around how we proceed from here and the general consensus was a dual approach:

1. Identify opportunities that already exist (or are a work in progress) by looking to consult with young people connected to existing youth networks/organisations/schools in Vincent. Some examples that came up are:
  - YMCA Youth Advisory Group
  - The Mt Hawthorn Hub are talking about setting up a young people sub-committee called "Hubsters". They are about to embark on a series of 3 consultation sessions during Nov-Jan with the assistance of Skate Sculpture to talk with Mt Hawthorn kids about what they would like to see/do in their area.
  - David Galloway, Chair of Leederville Connect has identified that a number of members are in the 20-25 year old age bracket.
2. Research Metropolitan Youth Engagement Modes/Advisory Groups that are contemporary and effective.

*Asset Map – Parks and Playgrounds*

CDO showed the Group the City's new Neighbourhood Map that includes the City's parks and playgrounds. Discussion around the map included:

- Inclusion of fees and charges for use of facilities
- Increased marketing and making facilities more available
- Inclusion of process of hire for events
- Advertise the multi-use of facilities

**Action:** Community Development team to list current and emerging youth networks, organisations (including non-age specific organisations that have young people involved) and opportunities to consult with Vincent youth in liaison with the City's Place Managers and Town Centre Teams.

**Action:** CDO to send link for Neighbourhood Map to Advisory Group.

**Action:** Community Development team to commence desk top review of Metropolitan Youth Engagement Modes/Advisory Groups that are contemporary and effective.

4.3 Community Partnerships

*Presentation by Josh Cunniffe from Youth Affairs Council of Western Australia (YACWA)*

Main points from the presentation included:

- YACWA defines young people as 12-25 years old. The Group unanimously agreed that the amendment to the Terms of Reference should include young people up to the age of 25, not 24 as discussed at previous meetings.
- YACWA advocates for young people to have their say in different areas relating to policy and advocacy and provide a voice for the youth sector.
- What is the youth sector? Organisations that work with/for young people.
- Overview of Catalyst Youth Summit Report – an event for young multicultural Western Australians to discuss issues and solutions important to them.
- Roger Hart's Ladder of Young People Participation.
- Key considerations to engage young people:
  - Tailor effective communication for specific groups.
  - Ask them what they want.
  - How can we support them to be involved?
  - Manage and support expectations of young people.
  - Empower young people.
  - Examples of this include City of Fremantle and the headspace Youth Reference Group model.
- Look at models of youth reference groups that are working and use these ideas.

City of Vincent and YACWA agreed to keep the conversation between organisations open.

*YMCA Youth Advisory Group*

CDO advised that as part of the funding agreement between YMCA and City of Vincent, they are encouraged to develop a Youth Advisory Group to guide YMCA and their youth activities. Methods to engage young people discussed during YACWA presentation.

**Action:** CDO to organise YMCA to attend next meeting as a guest.

4.4 Terms of Reference – Amendment

CDO advised the amendment to the Terms of Reference to increase the definition of young people to the age of 25 will go to Council in the coming months.

**Action:** Amend ToR for age for young people to be up to 25 years old

5. **Close / Next Meeting**

Group discussed the option for next meeting to assist and provide feedback for the City of Vincent's Community Partnerships Strategy engagement. The Chair closed the meeting at 7.40pm.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_  
Councillor Emma Cole (Chair)

Date this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2016