

## CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE ADVISORY GROUP

Wednesday 16 March 2022 at 6pm

Venue: Online via Zoom

City of Vincent Councillors:

Cr Alex Castle (Chair)  
Cr Ron Alexander (RA)

Community Representatives:

Daniel Langlands (DL)  
Fiona Buswell-Smith (FBS)  
Laura Dunlop (LD)  
Maria Daniele (MD)  
Nicci Salley (NS)  
Shari Stockdale (SS)  
Suzanne Lawrence (SL)

City of Vincent Officers:

Gemma Carter- Manager Marketing and Partnerships (GC)  
Courtney Aylett – Community Development Advisor – Children, Young People & Community Funding (CA)



**1. Welcome/Declaration of Opening**

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 6.04pm and delivered the Acknowledgement of Country.

**2. Apologies**

Fiona Buswell-Smith  
Maria Daniele

**3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes**

Confirmed minutes from 19 January 2022.

**4. Business**

4.1 Update on recent youth programs and initiatives

Dance In Heels Workshop

CA advised that the City partnered with Foyer Oxford to offer a four-week Dance in Heels workshop to young people age 16-25. The workshop was delayed one week due to COVID-19, however commenced March 22. The workshop had 16 registrations and 12 attendees.

Drag and Stage Makeup Workshop

CA advised that a second Stage and Drag Makeup workshop was planned (again in partnership with Foyer) to commence March 29, however had been delayed until June due to COVID. The workshop is for young people aged 16-25 and had already received 12 registrations prior to its delay.

RA asked how the City promotes. CA advised that information is sent to a community stakeholder contact list and promoted via social media and the website.

AC noted that it is a difficult age group to attract and that it is great to see events targeted toward a particular cohort.

GC noted paid social and promotion are an option.

DL noted it was a pleasure to work with the City to put on events.

## 4.2 Youth Week 2022

CA advised that Youth Week 2022 is running from the 8-16 April and given the community climate of COVID 19 administration will be proceeding with an outdoor / online suite of activities for this year. Activities include;

- Skateboarding Workshops – 4 x sessions to be held at Leederville Skatepark. Sessions are targeted at specific cohorts.
- Nature Craft at Woodville Reserve – participants will be making dream catchers and creating cards and bookmarks through nature printing.
- Superhero Strengths Workshop (online) - participants will explore some famous superheroes whilst creating a character that represents themselves. They will develop sketching, drawing and perspective skills whilst reflecting on personal skills that give them strength in everyday life.
- Moorditj Mural Masters – the City has partnered with Propel Youth Arts WA to offer this workshop for First Nations Artists. The workshop, led by Jade Dolman, will involve 3 full days of teaching participants about the mural arts process whilst they plan and paint their own mini-mural on a wall located at 201 Beaufort Street. A closed exhibition event is scheduled for April 22 at 4:30pm.
- Agility and Pop-Up Play Workshop – Young people who live in the area surrounding Edinboro Street Reserve will be invited to attend a workshop to run through the draft pop-up play design and suggest tweaks. The workshop will involve a fun fitness and agility session followed by a walk through of the planned obstacle course mapped out in the reserve.
- Vincent Young Achievers – the City has accepted nominations for 'Vincent Young Achievers' and plans to promote the positive contributions of young people within our community via social media throughout Youth Week. All nominees will receive a certificate and prize pack as a thank you for their contribution to the community. The City has only received 1 nomination and requested CYPAG nominate young people and share this opportunity. DL noted that there may be an issue with the nomination link.

CA noted that in discussions with other LG's and youth sector stakeholders it was recognised that it is difficult to engage with young people online. The City has planned one online event to ensure access and inclusion for all young people.

LD recommended narrower age groupings on some activities as some young people will not engage when they see broad age demographic attending.

**ACTION: CA to distribute Youth Week information to CYPAG members.**

## 4.3 Upcoming / Ongoing Key Priorities

### Neighbour Day

CA advised that Neighbour Day is coming up on 27 March 2022. Administration is supporting this initiative through the promotion of methods that encourage neighbours to create safe and welcoming communities for families with children and young people.

### Online Resume Writing Workshops

CA advised that the City has partnered with North Metropolitan TAFE Perth to offer two online resume writing workshops;

- 28 March 2022 workshop for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People
- 31 March 2022 workshop open to all young people

AC noted that the flyer does not specifically mention youth and wondered if this was intentional.

**ACTION: CA to review promotional material.**

### School Holiday Activities

CA advised that the Vincent Library is offering school holiday activities targeted towards younger children. A Lego Mazes session (ages 4+) will be held on Tuesday April 12, and a sensory nature collage session (ages 4+) will be held on Tuesday April 19.

### YMCA HQ Leederville Partnership

CA advised that at Council meeting on 08 February 2022 Council approved a 3-year funding agreement with the Y WA in the amount of \$50,000 (ex GST) per year, commencing July 2022.

AC mentioned that the long-term partnership approval was great news and highlighted the importance of The Y in connecting with young people within the City. LD advised that this was integral in planning more long-term partnership outcomes.

#### Vincent Youth Network (The VYN)

Discussions evolved as part of The Y's partnership agreement included funding towards activities hosted by their Youth Squad. CA advised that a meeting took place with LD to discuss the Youth Squad and connection to the VYN / City.

The Y's Youth Squad is for young people age 16-25. The group organise events and workshops and are willing to provide feedback on major plans and strategies.

CA advised that the current VYN is open to young people age 12-25 and there is concern that given the broad age bracket, young people may be hesitant to become involved or young people may not be satisfied with the discussions and purpose of the group. CA advised that the City would be facilitating the transition of older VYN members into the Y's Youth Squad, and ensuring a stronger level of support and communication is maintained with the coordinator of the Youth Squad.

NS asked about demographic of the current VYN. CA advised there are currently 3 members with quite similar interests and that the City is conducting the review of its current structure prior to promotion to target a greater level of diversity and better retention of members.

**ACTION: CA to update VYN flyer and coordinate distribution to CYPAG and Youth Stakeholders.**

#### 4.4 Terms of Reference

Discussions of the proposed Terms of Reference took place.

NS noted the language was great and reflected comments made by the group at the previous meeting. NS advised that there was one typo where the document outlines '6' community members when it should read '7'.

DL noted that the changes read well, and AC noted that the changes are reflective of the groups evolution and where it stands now from where it started.

**ACTION: CA to send revised Terms of Reference through for Council endorsement.**

#### 4.5 Proposed meeting dates for 2022

CYPAG reviewed the proposed dates for future meetings. AC noted that there may not be enough meetings scheduled in.

It was agreed that the group would proceed with these dates, and should another meeting be required it could be scheduled between those proposed.

#### 4.6 Other Business

LD advised that COVID has led to lower numbers and reduced referrals from schools. Schools are spending time and resources reacting to COVID requirements and this reduces the ability for them to focus on students.

LD advised that The Y have gigs and programs planned, and they are trying not to move to operating online.

LD advised that the Y has a new Youth Worker who is indigenous and would like to know what the City is doing in this space to connect in.

**ACTION: LD to share gigs and programs so that CYPAG can promote.**

**ACTION: CA to contact LD to discuss how the City and Y can link with employment / training opportunities.**

DL advised that Foyer Oxford is looking for more volunteers to help young people with the RYDE, learner drivers program. DL advised he would contact CA to discuss how the City can promote and support this initiative.

NS commented that it is great to see how much is happening, even in the last few weeks and that activities and programs have not been cancelled. AC also advised that she was impressed that opportunities were taking place together with the coordination of Youth Week.

Further to this, the promotion and awareness of these opportunities within CYPAG was discussed with some members not aware of opportunities taking place. AC asked if there was a dynamic calendar which could be

shared with CYPAG. CA mentioned that there was a 'What's On' calendar on the City of Vincent website that details some upcoming activities.

CA advised that there may be potential for a monthly stakeholder newsletter down the track, however advised that she would include all CYPAG in her mail outs advising of upcoming opportunities.

**ACTION: CA to investigate the potential for a monthly stakeholder newsletter.**

**ACTION: CA to add CYPAG to stakeholder mailing list for notifications of upcoming opportunities.**

## 5. Close/Next Meeting

The meeting was closed at 7.10pm. The next meeting is scheduled for 8 June 2022.

Signed

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**Councillor (Chairperson)**

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

## ACTIONS

Summary of Actions	Date	Status
CA and AC to bring Mt Hawthorn Skate Park information to CYPAG meeting for discussion and feedback when available.	January	In progress
CA to distribute Youth Week information to CYPAG members.	March	Completed
CA to review online resume workshops promotional material.	March	Completed
CA to update VYN flyer and coordinate distribution to CYPAG and Youth Stakeholders.	March	In progress
CA to send revised Terms of Reference through for Council endorsement.	March	Not started
LD to share gigs and programs so that CYPAG can promote.	March	Completed
CA to contact LD to discuss how the City and Y can link with employment / training opportunities.	March	Not started
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