

MEETING MINUTES	
YOUTH COUNCIL	
MONDAY 03 MARCH 2025	6.03 pm



Minutes of a meeting of the Youth Council held on Monday 03 March 2025, which commenced at 6.03 pm, Te Āhuru Mōwai, Manawatu Community Hub Libraries, Pātiki Tahuaroa room.

Present: Kahupounamu Potaka (Chair)
Kaea Tahi-Martin (Deputy Chair)
Ruth Doyle (Finance Officer)
Mackenzie Carman (Marketing/Social Media) Finn Macdonald
Madeleine Lloyd (Marketing/Social Media) Wiremu Bray
Kyle England (Health and Safety Officer) Sam McLean
Aislinn Kuriger (Alumni Liaison Officer)

Attended: Joey Mckechnie (Youth Engagement Co-ordinator)
Cr Lara Blackmore (MDC Liaison Councillor)
Tori Short (Staff Governance Support)
Eric Schuster (Community Support)
Barbara Bowling (Community Support)
David Gurney (Strategy Manager)

Apologies:

Briar Higgle, Rose Jeffery

YC 22-25/310

MEETING OPENING

Kahu Potaka opened the meeting with karakia.

YC 22-25/311

APOLOGIES

Briar Higgle, Rose Jeffery

YC 22-25/312

DAVID GURNEY – COMMUNITY ISSUES

David spoke to us about his role at MDC. We discussed global warming and financial sustainability.

What are 1 or 2 issues we can push onto council? What does YC want to focus on?

Housing, Vaping, Marijuana were a few of the discussions the group had.

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TERMS OF REFERENCE

Our ToR are due for renewal.

As a group we discussed what we wanted to update, Joey has this noted.

YC 22-25/314

YOUTH WEEK

We have an \$1000 grant we can use towards this.

What event do we want to do?

Ideas are...

- Paint the skate park
- Open mic night
- Session with Ben Caldwell from RDC
- Mental Health & Wellbeing
- Cyber safety

This will be discussed more at the next meeting.

YC 22-25/315

CALENDAR PLANNING

We have agreed to have no meetings during the holidays and our final meeting for 2025 will be on 3rd November to work around exams.

Youth market – aiming for July, to be discussed again at the next meeting.

YC 22-25/316

MDC INFRASTRUCTURE TOUR

Joey will speak with Maree Brown to organise this. Needs to be in the holidays or during school hours.

YC 22-25/317

MYC LOGO DESIGN

There is not enough in the budget to create a new logo. We discussed revamping and adding colour rather than a complete new logo. We will discuss this further also.

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GENERAL BUSINESS

Joey asked for volunteers to help out at the Family Fun day 16th March.

Joey is going to speak with Mr Frost from FAHS to see if YC students are eligible to get school credits through YC.

Kahu and Maca spoke about the meeting hours can be added into SVA.

YC 22-25/319

MEETING CLOSURE

Kahu closed the meeting at 7.44pm with karakia.

The next meeting of the Manawatū District Youth Council will be held at Te Āhuru Mōwai (Manawatu Community Hub Libraries), the Pātiki Tahuaroa room, on **Monday 17 March 2025** at 6:00 pm.