

MANAWATU DISTRICT YOUTH COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES



15 FEBRUARY 2021

Meeting commenced: 7:02pm

PRESENT

- Youth Council Members; Luca Luoni, Sarah Lockhart, Kate Jopp, Zoe Lister, Sadie Bruce, Jesse Devonshire, Patrick Coogan, Katelyn Anderson,
- Councilor Heather Gee-Taylor
- Councilor Shane Casey
- Barbara Bowling
- Shelley Ashton – Manawatu District Council
- Matt McKay – Manawatu District Council
- Rebecca Bell – Manawatu District Council

APOLOGIES

- Megan Karatea
- Garth Martin
- Alex Short

Moved

Kate Jopp

Seconded

Sadie Bruce

Motion Carried

MEETING MINUTES:

1. CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

- A conflict of Interest: “A situation where a person is in a position to derive personal benefit from actions or decisions made here today.”
- Councilors are reminded to always declare any conflicts of interest they may have with respect to certain items on the agenda. Confirmation of Interest

2. LONG TERM PLAN

Rebecca Bell: what are we saving up for?

Shelley Ashton

Good idea to have something in mind to spend money on. Good practice to accumulate money and make a plan so that you are focusing your income on where it needs to go. Rebecca would like Youth Council to be an advocate for the campaign around improving the printed feedback forms.

Long Term Plan

Long term plan is council's budget for what it's going to spend money on over next 10 years, the cost to do these things, and a budget for activities. The document is written for 10 years, yet reviewed and updated every three years. Focus on issues around waste management, parks and reserves, Kowhai park, storm water management and so forth.

Rebecca Bell

Rebecca's team are working on updating the long term plan through identifying the challenges that the district will face over this time period.

1. Should the council support owners of buildings which are earthquake prone? Should the rates of rate payers go towards supporting these business owners?
2. Should more money be made available to council to fund/support community events? For example Christmas Parade, colour run, gravel and tar etc.

ACTION: PLEASE READ THE DOCUMENT AND PROVIDE FEEDBACK AROUND THE TWO ISSUES MENTIONED ABOVE.

However, feedback is welcomed around the entire document. Feedback required from various perspectives;

- a. An individual
- b. A member of the Youth Council
- c. Share links/the message around providing feedback

Matt McKay

District Plan Review

What does the future look like? Important to look at Feilding and the Manawatu region. What does the rule book/district plan look like? How do we encourage growth? We need to engage in order to have a say around what we want the region to look like.

10-year plan is centered around the council and council activities. District plan issues include subdivision, and all things that apply to land are within the district plan.

3. MANAWATU DISTRICT COUNCIL REFRESH VIDEO

Zoe Lister and Luca Luoni spoke regarding the filming of MDC's Town refresh video involving youth in the community. Wanting to get a youth perspective/large scale youth events etc, bring Youth back into the centre etc. Zoe and Luca are to attend as interviewers. Thank you Luca and Zoe!

4. YOUTH WEEK 2021

Saturday 8th May to Sunday 16th May. Working alongside Feilding District Promotions and Activities. Market for Youth, discussed side hustles and talent within the community.

Planned date for the Colour Run is the day after the Feilding High School ball.

Luca Luoni made the motion that the original date of the colour run is moved from the 8th of May as it clashes with other activities.

Moved Luca Luoni **Seconded** Kate Jopp **Motion Carried**

5. GENERAL BUSINESS

Luca Luoni made the motion that the Youth Council amends the terms of reference regarding the meeting attendance of Youth Councilors, to change it to “Your term will be reviewed after missing three consecutive meetings with/without apology, or three meetings throughout the year without an apology.”

Moved Luca Luoni **Seconded** Kate Jopp **Motion Carried**

Leadership Weekend

Any ideas for the leadership weekend? Hold the leadership weekend sooner rather than later, good to bring team together asap.

River Valley is really cool, lodge has everything we need. Right environment. Rangitikei Youth Council could be good to accommodate. Would be nice to meet/interact with them.

Creative Communities Scheme

Easy to fill in the form. Patrick and Kate to fill in the form together please. Due 1 March. Please outline skeleton outline of the evening, job allocation etc.

6. NEXT AGENDA

1. Children’s Day/Whanua Day.

NEXT MEETING TO BE HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, MONDAY 1ST MARCH @ 5:30PM. DINNER STARTING 5:30PM, MEETING @ 5:45PM.

Meeting adjourned: 7:59pm