



NOTICE OF TUMUT YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING

Notice is hereby given that a Tumut Youth Council Committee Meeting of Snowy Valleys Council will be held in the Tumut Room located on the 1st Floor of the Riverina Highlands Building, 76 Capper Street, Tumut on, **Wednesday, 05 June, 2019**, commencing at **4:30 PM**.

Distribution: 22	Present:	Apology:	Absent:
Cr Cate Cross (Delegate)			
Council Representative-Youth Development Officer (Delegate)			
Executive:			
Chairperson – Lori Webb			
Vice Chairperson - Oscar Thornton			
Treasurer – Lulu Saunders			
Secretary – Natalie Erbacher			
Publicity Officer – Jeremy Hannah			
Members:			
Charlie Dodds			
Jorja Muir			
Lachlan McDonald			
Joe Post			
Hannah Veitch			
Daisy James			
Hunter Boyd			
Jeane Van Der Merwe			
Adult Facilitators:			
Teagan Fava – Adult Facilitator			
Information Only			
Mental Health Worker			
Samantha Hughes			
Batlow Technology School SRC			
Tumut TAFE Students			
Batlow Interact Club			
Public			

Business

1. Apologies
2. Confirmation of Minutes
3. Business arising from Minutes
4. Committee Reports
5. Correspondence
6. General Business

Matthew Hyde
General Manager



TUMUT YOUTH COUNCIL COMMITTEE MEETING – AGENDA
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APOLOGIES

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GENERAL BUSINESS

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting date is scheduled to be held Wednesday, 7 August 2019.

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MEETING COMMENCEMENT: 16:33

PRESENT:

Participants:	Present:	Apology:	Absent:
Cr Cate Cross	X		
Council Representative – Mark Mazzini	X		
Chairperson –Lori Webb	X		
Vice Chairperson - Oscar Thornton		X	
Treasurer – Lulu Saunders	X		
Secretary - Natalie Erbacher	X		
Publicity Officer – Jeremy Hannah	X		
Charlie Dodds			X
Daisy James		X	
Jorja Muir		X	
Lachlan McDonald		X	
Hunter Boyd			X
Jeane Van Der Merwe	X		
Hannah Veitch	X		
Joe Post	X		
Teagan Fava – Adult Facilitator			X

Council staff in attendance was Mark Mazzini.

APOLOGIES:

YC05 RESOLVED that the apologies from Oscar Thornton, Daisy James, Jorja Muir and Lachlan McDonald be received.

Jeremy Hannah / Hannah Veitch

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES:

YC06 RESOLVED that the minutes of the **Youth Council Committee** held on **06-February-2019** be accepted as read.

Jeremy Hannah / Hannah Veitch

BUSINESS ARISING FROM MINUTES:

1. New Youth Council BBQ has been purchased

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REPORTABLE POLITICAL DONATIONS

Nil

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Tumut Youth Council - April 2019 (YC1.)

1. Community Transport

- Fiona forwarded her apologies for being unable to make the meeting and forwarded relevant information to be presented.

- Community Transport can provide transport for youth/Youth Council as an alternative to buses for Youth Council hosted activities.
- Approximate cost for over 100km round trip is \$16.50/person.
- Jeremy raised the pricing is a reduction compared to per head pricing hiring a bus.
- All people using Community Transport would need to sign up to Community Transport prior to utilising the service.
- Community Transport regulations include there must be a community transport registered driver and a responsible adult in each vehicle when transporting under 18's.

2. Tumut Youth recreation area

- Youth Council members viewed pictures of and discussed the current condition of the Tumut youth recreation area.
- Discussion held around outdated signage that still bares the old Tumut Shire logo.
- Lori and Jeane proposed for a new signage be designed by youth and incorporate colour to make it more attractive.
- Update basketball backboards
- Possible need to install barrier
- Need for ongoing maintenance
- Discussion held around name, to make it more family inclusive.
- Name (Youth Precinct) to remain

RECOMMENDATION 1

That Council update signage at the Tumut Youth Precinct/Fitzroy Park to include current SVC branding in consultation with the Youth Council.

Jeremy Hannah / Jeane Van Der Merwe

RECOMMENDATION 2

That Council review the current condition of the Tumut Youth precinct equipment and repair/replace the basketball backboards.

Jeane Van Der Merwe / Lulu Saunders

3. Planning around youth based issues

- Discussion held around Tomorrow Man/Gotcha4Life workshops being run in lead up to the Colour Explosion Fun Run as a way to gain community buy in and to provide extra visibility in the community of Tomorrow Man/Gotcha4Life
- Discussion held around Batlow Interact and giving Youth of Batlow a voice through Council.
- Youth Council members discussed that by engaging Batlow Interact as an advisory group, Batlow Youth have the ability to raise concerns/issues through TYC and TYC will be able to provide a better representation of youth across the district.
- Concerns raised from Batlow Interact in relation to Batlow Skate Park.
- Concerns included the inability to use the skate park in summer due to being made from metal and becoming extremely hot and the impractical position of the basketball ring as the skate park impedes the ability to play even a game of half-court basketball. Also noted that signage for Batlow Youth Recreation Park still bares the old Tumut Shire logo.

RECOMMENDATION 3

That Council investigate the following works at the Batlow Youth Recreation Park:

- A. Installation of shade sails over the skate park as a temporary measure to ensure the skate Park can be used year round, until funding is secured to upgrade.**
- B. Repositioning the basketball ring to a more practical position.**
- C. Update signage to include current SVC branding.**

Natalie Erbacher / Lulu Saunders

- Chairperson Lori Webb discussed Community perceptions/common beliefs about youth that have been recently aired on social media.
- Youth Council members unanimously supported the stance that whilst there is a well-publicised 'youth crime issue' in Tumut, the offenders are a small group of individuals and by no means reflects the majority of youth in and around Tumut.
- Chairperson Lori Webb shared and discussed Police BOCSAR statistic for Tumut. Lori informed the Youth Council that the statistic do not reflect the perception that the community holds. Statistics show whilst there is crime, the rate is not alarming in comparison to the state averages.
- Mark Mazzini noted whilst car theft has dramatically increased, that Inspector Radford has informed that many of the stolen vehicles are being conducted by "out of towners".
- Youth Council members discussed the possibility of releasing a media release showcasing the positive contribution youth are making across the region.
- Youth Council discussed and welcomed the PCYC fit for life program, noting the success it has previously had for young people who have been under the attention of Police and/or disengaged from school.
- Discussion held around Youth Council formalising a view regarding full time PCYC/drop in centre in Tumut
- Members raised they could see the benefits in a PCYC however also raised that there were concerns that need to be discussed.
- Lori discussed that latest ABS statistics show there are only 745 young people aged between 10 & 19 in the Tumut region. This brings concerns of the ongoing viability of a PCYC or drop in centre in Tumut.
- Members agreed that Tumut Youth Council would support the creation of a PCYC in Tumut, if the PCYC offers activities/programs accessible to all young people, not just those considered as disengaged.
- Natalie raised that Tumut high school Year 9 current project is to create/develop an activity/facility designed for youth by youth, that lends to the current needs of youth in the area. May include drop in centre or motorbike riding track etc.
- Youth Council raised that they would like to view the projects voted by peers as being the most representative of what they want. Youth Council would then review and determine if any options are viable and forward to Council.
- Members discussed that any implemented program such as a PCYC should not affect the ability for a Youth driven model to be viewed on its own merit.
- Cr Cate Cross raised that SVC had made the decision late last year not to continue its membership with REROC and has joined Canberra JO

- YC members raised whilst they understood the rationale provided, it was disappointing that the regional schools will no longer have access to the youth forums.
- Lori discussed the opportunity for TYC to host SVC & surrounding regions youth forum in 2020, as a place where youth can come together and discuss/raise youth priority issues. The forum was discussed as being youth run and led, minimising the adult's attendees as a way to make all attendees feel comfortable.
- Possible locations maybe Laurel Hill or Batlow, running busses from all high schools.
- Current Chairperson Lori Webb to be the potential MC.

RECOMMENDATION 4

That Council supports the concept of Tumut Youth Council creating and hosting a regional forum for Youth in 2020.

Jeane Van Der Merwe / Lulu Saunders

4. Youth Week

- BBQ to be held in conjunction with Tumut Skate comp on April 18. Volunteers needed.
- Colour run update provided by Mark. Already 300+ registered
- Mark informed that he would rather all YC members have the option to participate in the run rather than be given tasks.
- Hannah and Lori to assist with ticket sales pre event.
- Tomorrow Man & Gotcha4Life came back to Tumut and surrounds as a way to support the efforts of the colour run raising funds and awareness for Tomorrow Man & Gotcha4Life.
- Movies under the stars on Friday night

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Nil

NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be held on June 5th at 16:30 in the Tumut Room

CLOSED:

The meeting closed at 17:43.

REPORT NUMBER: YC 1
SUBJECT: Tumut Youth Council Committee - June 219 (.)
REPORT AUTHOR: Mark Mazzini
RESPONSIBLE MANAGER: Gus Cox

PURPOSE OF REPORT: To present current youth matters for discussion

KEY ISSUES

- 1. Code of Conduct**
- 2. Youth Week**
- 3. Forward planning**
- 4. Planning around Youth Based issues**

COMMENTS

- 1. Code of Conduct**
 - General conduct obligations
 - Bullying behaviour
 - Complaint process
- 2. Youth Week**
 - Numbers of attendees at each event
 - Costing for each event
 - Constructive feedback
- 3. Forward planning**
 - Number of YC events to be hosted
 - Yearly planning – proposed activities
 - YW 2020
- 4. Planning around Youth Based issues**
 - Update Re: Gotcha4Life
 - Current identified issues

RECOMMENDATION

That the Committee discuss these matters.

ATTACHMENTS

Code of Conduct – General Conduct Obligations

PART 3 GENERAL CONDUCT OBLIGATIONS

General conduct

- 3.1 You must not conduct yourself in a manner that:
- a) is likely to bring the council or other council officials into disrepute
 - b) is contrary to statutory requirements or the council's administrative requirements or policies
 - c) is improper or unethical
 - d) is an abuse of power
 - e) causes, comprises or involves intimidation or verbal abuse
 - f) involves the misuse of your position to obtain a private benefit
 - g) constitutes harassment or bullying behaviour under this code, or is unlawfully discriminatory.
- 3.2 You must act lawfully and honestly, and exercise a reasonable degree of care and diligence in carrying out your functions under the LGA or any other Act. (*section 439*).

Fairness and equity

- 3.3 You must consider issues consistently, promptly and fairly. You must deal with matters in accordance with established procedures, in a non-discriminatory manner.
- 3.4 You must take all relevant facts known to you, or that you should be reasonably aware of, into consideration and have regard to the particular merits of each case. You must not take irrelevant matters or circumstances into consideration when making decisions.
- 3.5 An act or omission in good faith, whether or not it involves error, will not constitute a breach of clauses 3.3 or 3.4.

Harassment and discrimination

- 3.6 You must not harass or unlawfully discriminate against others, or support others who harass or unlawfully discriminate against others, on the grounds of sex, pregnancy, breastfeeding, race, age, marital or domestic status, homosexuality, disability, transgender status, infectious disease, carer's responsibilities or political, religious or other affiliation.
- 3.7 For the purposes of this code, "harassment" is any form of behaviour towards a person that:
- a) is not wanted by the person
 - b) offends, humiliates or intimidates the person, and
 - c) creates a hostile environment.

Bullying

- 3.8 You must not engage in bullying behaviour towards others.
- 3.9 For the purposes of this code, "bullying behaviour" is any behaviour in which:
- a) a person or a group of people repeatedly behaves unreasonably towards another person or a group of persons and
 - b) the behaviour creates a risk to health and safety.
- 3.10 Bullying behaviour may involve, but is not limited to, any of the following types of behaviour:
- a) aggressive, threatening or intimidating conduct
 - b) belittling or humiliating comments
 - c) spreading malicious rumours
 - d) teasing, practical jokes or 'initiation ceremonies'

- e) exclusion from work-related events
 - f) unreasonable work expectations, including too much or too little work, or work below or beyond a worker's skill level
 - g) displaying offensive material
 - h) pressure to behave in an inappropriate manner.
- 3.11 Reasonable management action carried out in a reasonable manner does not constitute bullying behaviour for the purposes of this code. Examples of reasonable management action may include, but are not limited to:
- a) performance management processes
 - b) disciplinary action for misconduct
 - c) informing a worker about unsatisfactory work performance or inappropriate work behaviour
 - d) directing a worker to perform duties in keeping with their job
 - e) maintaining reasonable workplace goals and standards
 - f) legitimately exercising a regulatory function
 - g) legitimately implementing a council policy or administrative processes.