

MINUTES OF YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 6 AUGUST 2025

- Present: Angelina Barnsdall (Chairperson)
Amelia Hague (Deputy Chairperson)
Amelie Lim
Nihal Bains
Kevin Hao
Josephine Crooker
Jiayi Fang
Matthew Hayes
Sophie Cattle
Tyne Jones (Online)
- Staff Present: Director Community, Janice Bevan
Youth Services Coordinator, Ryan Usher
Youth Development Officer, Jin Chang
- Others Present: Councillor Matthew Devlin
- Apologies: Amelia Watson
Jack okill
Kay Lynn Goh
Mishall Omair
Dena Sedghinezhad

The Meeting commenced at 4:30 PM

WELCOMES AND INTRODUCTIONS

- Jin Chang welcomed attendees to meeting, as well as introducing Angelina Barnsdall as elected Chairperson.
- Angelina Barnsdall introduced Ryan Usher, the new Youth Services Coordinator at Ku-Ring-Gai Council. Ryan Usher introduced himself to the committee and all those in attendance, telling the group about his background in the region prior to joining Ku-Ring-Gai council, and how he excited to see how the committee represents young people from the region.
- Angelina Barnsdall asked committee members, councillor's and staff present to quickly introduce themselves and provide one interesting fact about themselves.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. **Recap of the three priorities identified at the last meeting: Mental Health and Wellbeing, Community Connection and Support, Accessible Transport and Mobility**

Committee Members

Presentation on progress from previous YAC meeting.

Presented by: Angelina Barnsdall, Sophie Cattle, Amelie Lim, Jiayi Fang, Matthew Hayes

- Committee members presented about the progression of various ideas they had from previous meetings.
- Committee was told that they had been successful in receiving a \$550 grant for mental health month, with the funds to go towards hosting a community based event during October. This would include various activities and community services stalls to help spread awareness about mental health services and resources.
- Update and feedback was provided on intergenerational workshop that occurred in previous school holidays. Very positive feedback was provided around young people in attendance, and plans are already being discussed for another intergenerational event to occur.
- Update given into accessible transport and mobility within Ku-Ring-Gai area for young people, with an invitation from the Department of Transport being sent out for the Youth Advisory Committee members to be apart of community stakeholder engagement sessions to help shape the future of transport needs.
- Update provided by committee on other initiatives including proposed trivia night that is being planned, as well as an update on sustainability initiatives, which is a big focus of YAC.

People in attendance were then given the opportunity to make any comments and ask questions for committee members around these initiatives, with feedback provided very positive on the work that the Youth Advisory Committee is achieving.

2. **Debrief** on the Intergenerational Kitchen Workshop held during the Winter School Holidays

- Committee spent time chatting about Intergenerational Kitchen Workshop that was held during Winter School Holidays. Feedback received from those in attendance was very positive, and encouraged committee to hold more events like this in the future.
- Discussion also included other minor initiatives that committee is looking to hold, including a trivia night (complete with trivia questions).

3. **Youth Services Rebranding** – including logo design and potential merchandise ideas

- Committee members discussed rebranding the current youth services logo and wording, after seeing the effectiveness of branding in other council area's. Committee members began to create options for new logo and wording, with these to be worked on post meeting and proper proposal brought back to group for further discussion.

4. **October Mental Health Month** – planning and activity proposal

- Committee members began working on proposal for Mental Health Month event in October, following the successful application for a \$550 grant.
- Committee members began to discuss and lock in dates, locations, idea's around activities for the day, services and stall holders present, and how to advertise to community.
- Committee to activate this as current priority given time proximity and need to have details locked in as soon as possible.

The Meeting closed at 6:30PM