

Youth Advisory Committee

Meeting Date: Wednesday, 16 November, 2022
Location: Jervis Bay Rooms, City Administrative Centre, Bridge Road, Nowra
Time: 10:00am

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Membership

Chairperson – Appointed by Committee at each meeting

All Councillors

Member for Gilmore – Fiona Phillips MP or nominee Sophie Phillips

Member for Kiama – Gareth Ward MP or nominee Sebastien Riou

Member for South Coast – Shelley Hancock MP or nominee Jacob Williams

Representative - Shoalhaven Local Area Command NSW Police

Representative - Sanctuary Point Youth & Community Centre

Representative - Bay and Basin Community Resources

Representative - Nowra Youth Centre

Representative - Police Citizens Youth Club

Representative - Regional Development Australia

Representative - Shoalhaven Business Chamber

Representative - 330 Squadron Australian Air Force Cadets

Representative – Headspace

Representative - University of Wollongong – Shoalhaven

Representative – Country Universities Centre – Shoalhaven

Representative - CareSouth

Nathan Woodcock – Community Member

2 voting representatives from each local High School

Quorum – 6 members**Purpose**

- a) To represent the interests and views of young people to Council and the Community
- b) To provide an opportunity for young people to discuss issues of concern to young people
- c) To provide a mechanism for young people to make representations to organisations and various spheres of Government requesting appropriate action to improve facilities and services available to young people
- d) To give young people experience in Local Government and community affairs
- e) To create greater awareness and appreciation within the general community of the needs and talents of young people
- f) To provide a mechanism for young people to address youth issues themselves

Delegated Authority

Act within adopted budgets aligning with Council's strategic plans and documents to deliver youth programs and activities that meet the needs of local young people.

MINUTES OF THE YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Meeting Date: Wednesday, 17 August 2022
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The following members were present:

Mr Lachlan Congram – Country Universities Centre – Southern - Chairperson
Clr Moo D'Ath (remotely)
Clr Paul Ell – left meeting at 11:36am
Clr John Wells (remotely)
Clr Tonia Gray (remotely) – left meeting at 11:04am
Ms Sophie Phillips representing Ms Fiona Phillips - MP
Ms Veronica Burt-Leonard (remotely)
Craig Sutton - St John the Evangelist Catholic High School
Sophie Weller - St John the Evangelist Catholic High School
Georgia Coleman - St John the Evangelist Catholic High School
Serena McDonald - St John the Evangelist Catholic High School
Jessica Hart – Shoalhaven High School
Jorja Henderson – Shoalhaven High School
Hazel Marr – Nowra Youth Centre
Lily Wright – UOW Shoalhaven (remotely)
Nathan Andrews – Vincentia High School (remotely)
Destiny Pavitt – Vincentia High School (remotely)
Erin Clohessy - Vincentia High School (remotely)
Lisa Gilbert - Vincentia High School (remotely)
Ebony Wellman – Ulladulla High School (remotely)
Karina Maya – Ulladulla High School (remotely)
Manu Maya – Ulladulla High School (remotely)

Others Present:

Carly McWalters – Team Leader – Community Capacity Building
Jessica Richardson - Community Capacity Builder
Monica Kincade - Community Capacity Builder

The Chairperson gave an Acknowledgement of Country.

Apologies / Leave of Absence

An apology was received from Clr Patricia White.

Confirmation of the Minutes

RESOLVED (Georgia Coleman/Serena McDonald)

That the Minutes of the Youth Advisory Committee held on Wednesday 18 May 2022 be confirmed.

CARRIED

Declarations of Interest

Nil.

PRESENTATIONS

YA22.17 Open Round Table Discussion - Employment and Transport Challenges and Opportunities for Young People in the Shoalhaven

**HPERM Ref:
D22/315448**

There was discussion between YAC members, arising from the following Prompt Questions:

1. Introduce yourself and let us know how you arrived where you are today? I.e. Bus, car with parents, cycle, walk etc.
2. Are you currently working, studying and/or volunteering? Please briefly detail
3. Have you encountered any challenges in getting to and from your work, school, recreational activities etc?
4. What have you found easy/ helpful about getting to and from your work, school, recreational activities etc?
5. Have you encountered any challenges in engaging in employment, training or volunteering opportunities?
6. What have you found easy/ helpful about engaging in employment, training or volunteering opportunities?
7. Is what you hear from your friends/ peers similar to what you have said already?
8. Is there anything else you would like to share with the group today?

The main issues that arose from this discussion were:

- Lack of public transport throughout the Shoalhaven district, particularly wheelchair-friendly public transport.
- Reliance on private transport for youth to travel to school and places of employment.
- Challenges around obtaining employment in different locations due to limited transport options and limited vacancies in some of the smaller villages within the Shoalhaven.

YA22.18 Transport for New South Wales Presentation**HPERM Ref:
D22/315380**

Transport for NSW Communities & Place Project Team gave a presentation on the 16 Regional Cities Services Improvement Program and the broader Illawarra Shoalhaven Regional Transport Plan.

- The aim of the 16 Regional Cities Program is to provide better bus connections for residents in regional areas for work, school, health, social and recreational activities.
- There will be over 250 additional weekly services throughout the Shoalhaven.
- The new services are scheduled to commence from Monday 29 August.

A copy of the presentation is attached to these Minutes. Related links to today's presentation are shown below:

<https://future.transport.nsw.gov.au/plans/illawarra-shoalhaven-regional-transport-plan>

<https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/bus-feedback>

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/about-us/contact/complaints-and-feedback>

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/zero-emission-buses>

<https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/system/files/media/documents/2021/zero-emission-bus-transition-strategy.pdf>

<https://www.energysaver.nsw.gov.au/reducing-emissions-nsw/electric-vehicles/electric-vehicle-fast-charging-master-plan>

YA22.20 Action Table Update - August 2022**HPERM Ref:
D22/331723****Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)**

That the Youth Advisory Committee accept and receive the Update on Actions report for information.

RESOLVED (By consent)

That the Youth Advisory Committee:

1. Consider the Action - Nomination of Chairperson for the Next Meeting as complete and remove this action from the Action Table.
2. Accept and receive the Update on Actions report for information.

CARRIED

YA22.19 Shoalhaven Community Investment Committee Presentation**HPERM Ref:
D22/315429**

Brooke Gould representing the Shoalhaven Community Investment Committee provided a presentation to the YAC to explore collaborative and sustainable solutions to youth unemployment.

The presentation included a description of the committee's purpose, an outline of the Youth Employment Action Plan and an opportunity for engagement with the YAC on identifying youth focused responses to meeting needs and gaps in the service area.

The following issues were discussed:

- The biggest challenge for youth in obtaining employment is the limited transport options

available, as well as having to fit work around school hours and other commitments.

- Limited vacancies for work opportunities, especially in small villages across the Shoalhaven.
- Easy access to information on employment rights for young people separate from the place of work would be beneficial. This could be incorporated into careers information at school for the current situation rather than focussing on future career information.
- Links on school websites to external websites for employment rights and opportunities would be helpful for students.

A copy of the presentation is attached to these Minutes, as well as information regarding the Hire List to register for employment.

Note: Cllr Tonia Gray left meeting at 11:04am.

REPORTS

YA22.20 Action Table Update - August 2022

**HPERM REF:
D22/331723**

This item was dealt with earlier in the meeting.

GENERAL BUSINESS

YA22.21 YAC Leadership Workshop

**HPERM Ref:
D22/315453**

RESOLVED (By consent)

The Community Capacity Building Team advised that the proposed date for the YAC leadership workshop is Sunday, 2 October, based on the survey results from the previous informal meeting.

After further discussion the new proposed date is Wednesday, 12 October.

CARRIED

Note: Cllr Paul Ell left meeting at 11:36am.

YA22.22 Election of Chairperson for Next Meeting

**HPERM Ref:
D22/341394**

RESOLVED (By consent)

It was resolved that a student representative from St John the Evangelist Catholic High School will chair the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, 16 November 2022.

CARRIED

There being no further business, the meeting concluded, the time being 11:49am.

Lachlan Congram
CHAIRPERSON

YA22.24 Update on Actions - November 2022

HPERM Ref: D22/431876

Department: Community Connections
Approver: Jane Lewis, Director - City Lifestyles

Attachments: 1. Attachment 1 - Action Table Report - November 2022 - Youth Advisory Committee [↓](#)

Reason for Report

To provide the Youth Advisory Committee with a progress report on outstanding actions.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Youth Advisory Committee:

1. Accept and receive the Update on Actions report for information.
2. The following actions are considered complete and removed from the action table
 - a. YA22.18 - Transport for New South Wales - TfNSW - Presentation - 16 Regional Cities Services Improvement Program
 - b. YA22.19 - Shoalhaven Community Investment Committee Presentation - Youth Employment
 - c. YA22.20 - Action Table Update - August 2022
 - d. YA22.21 - YAC Leadership Workshop - 12 October 2022
 - e. YA22.22 - Chairperson - Next Meeting - 16 November 2022 - St Johns Representative

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Options

1. Adopt the recommendation as written.

Implications: The Youth Advisory Committee is updated on progress of actions and recommendations made at previous meetings.

2. Request more information.

Implications: Members of the Youth Advisory Committee request further information.

Background

This report is to update the Youth Advisory Committee on outstanding actions from previous meetings. All actions have been completed. Attachment 1 provides information regarding the status of actions and resolutions made at previous meetings.

Subject to the Group concurring that satisfactory progress has been made to complete the item on the October 2022 Action Sheet Report, the Group is requested to adopt the Recommendation to note completion of:

- a. YA22.18 - Transport for New South Wales - TfNSW - Presentation - 16 Regional Cities Services Improvement Program
- b. YA22.19 - Shoalhaven Community Investment Committee Presentation - Youth Employment

- c. YA22.20 - Action Table Update - August 2022
- d. YA22.21 - YAC Leadership Workshop - 12 October 2022
- e. YA22.22 - Chairperson - Next Meeting - 16 November 2022 - St Johns Representative

Should YAC members require further information on the status of the actions in the table attached, Council staff will provide as requested.

Community Engagement

It is important that the members of the Youth Advisory Committee are kept informed on progress towards the completion of actions and projects. This report provides a structured approach to facilitate this information exchange.

Youth Advisory Committee Completed: 8 August 2022 to 13 October 2022			Action Sheets Report
Meeting Date: 17/08/2022	Item No: YA22.18	Officer: Hollier, Leah	Completed: 01/09/2022
Title: Transport for New South Wales - TfNSW - Presentation - 16 Regional Cities Services Improvement Program			
<p>Transport for NSW Communities & Place Project Team gave a presentation on the 16 Regional Cities Services Improvement Program and the broader Illawarra Shoalhaven Regional Transport Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The aim of the 16 Regional Cities Program is to provide better bus connections for residents in regional areas for work, school, health, social and recreational activities. There will be over 250 additional weekly services throughout the Shoalhaven. The new services are scheduled to commence from Monday 29 August. <p>A copy of the presentation is attached to these Minutes. Related links to today's presentation are shown below:</p> <p>https://future.transport.nsw.gov.au/plans/illawarra-shoalhaven-regional-transport-plan</p> <p>https://transportnsw.info/contact-us/feedback/bus-feedback</p> <p>https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/about-us/contact/complaints-and-feedback</p> <p>https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/projects/current-projects/zero-emission-buses</p> <p>https://www.transport.nsw.gov.au/system/files/media/documents/2021/zero-emission-bus-transition-strategy.pdf</p> <p>https://www.energysaver.nsw.gov.au/reducing-emissions-nsw/electric-vehicles/electric-vehicle-fast-charging-master-plan</p>		<p>Notes:</p> <p>01 Sep 2022 10:51am Hollier, Leah Attach copy of presentation to Minutes</p> <p>01 Sep 2022 11:42am Hollier, Leah - Completion Completed by Hollier, Leah (action officer) on 01 September 2022 at 11:42:19 AM - Completed</p>	

Youth Advisory Committee Completed: 8 August 2022 to 13 October 2022	Action Sheets Report
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Meeting Date: 17/08/2022	Item No: YA22.19	Officer: Hollier, Leah	Completed: 01/09/2022
Title: Shoalhaven Community Investment Committee Presentation - Youth Employment			
<p>Brooke Gould representing the Shoalhaven Community Investment Committee provided a presentation to the YAC to explore collaborative and sustainable solutions to youth unemployment.</p> <p>The presentation included a description of the committee’s purpose, an outline of the Youth Employment Action Plan and an opportunity for engagement with the YAC on identifying youth focused responses to meeting needs and gaps in the service area.</p> <p>The following issues were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The biggest challenge for youth in obtaining employment is the limited transport options available, as well as having to fit work around school hours and other commitments. • Limited vacancies for work opportunities, especially in small villages across the Shoalhaven. • Easy access to information on employment rights for young people separate from the place of work would be beneficial. This could be incorporated into careers information at school for the current situation rather than focussing on future career information. • Links on school websites to external websites for employment rights and opportunities would be helpful for students. <p>A copy of the presentation is attached to these Minutes, as well as information regarding the Hire List to register for employment.</p>		<p>Notes:</p> <p>01 Sep 2022 10:52am Hollier, Leah Attach Presentation to Minutes.</p> <p>01 Sep 2022 11:42am Hollier, Leah - Completion Completed by Hollier, Leah (action officer) on 01 September 2022 at 11:42:27 AM - Completed</p>	

Youth Advisory Committee Completed: 8 August 2022 to 13 October 2022	Action Sheets Report
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Meeting Date: 17/08/2022	Item No: YA22.20	Officer: Richardson, Jessica	Completed: 01/09/2022
Title: Action Table Update - August 2022			
<p>RESOLVED (By consent)</p> <p>That the Youth Advisory Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider the Action - Nomination of Chairperson for the Next Meeting as complete and remove this action from the Action Table. 2. Accept and receive the Update on Actions report for information. <p>CARRIED</p>		<p>Notes:</p> <p>01 Sep 2022 12:15pm Richardson, Jessica</p> <p>The YAC resolved at the meeting on the 17 August 2022 , see YA22.20, that the Youth Advisory Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider the Action - Nomination of Chairperson for the Next Meeting as complete and remove this action from the Action Table. 2. Accept and receive the Update on Actions report for information. There are no further actions required for this report and this report can now be considered complete and removed from Actions. <p>01 Sep 2022 12:19pm Richardson, Jessica - Completion</p> <p>Completed by Richardson, Jessica (action officer) on 01 September 2022 at 12:19:15 PM - The YAC resolved at the meeting on the 17 August 2022 , see YA22.20, that the Youth Advisory Committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Consider the Action - Nomination of Chairperson for the Next Meeting as complete and remove this action from the Action Table. 2. Accept and receive the Update on Actions report for information. There are no further actions required for this report and this report can now be considered complete and removed from Actions. 	

Meeting Date: 17/08/2022	Item No: YA22.21	Officer: Richardson, Jessica	Completed: 12/10/2022
Title: YAC Leadership Workshop - 12 October 2022			
<p>RESOLVED (By consent)</p> <p>The Community Capacity Building Team advised that the proposed date for the YAC leadership workshop is Sunday, 2 October, based on the survey results from the previous informal meeting.</p> <p>After further discussion the new proposed date is Wednesday, 12 October.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>		<p>Notes:</p> <p>19 Sep 2022 4:59pm Richardson, Jessica</p> <p>Community Capacity Building Team have organised a Leadership Workshop for the YAC. Event Details - This Leadership Workshop will guide the YAC Members to develop their own personal leadership development plan, reflect on their personal leadership style and develop strategies to strengthen and build the qualities they wish to possess.</p>	

Youth Advisory Committee Completed: 8 August 2022 to 13 October 2022	Action Sheets Report
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	<p>When: Thursday 13th October, Time: 9:15am to 2:15pm, Where: Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre – Gallery Room, Council staff will provide a report on the Workshop in this meeting. This item is considered complete and can be removed from the action table.</p> <p>12 Oct 2022 6:23pm Richardson, Jessica - Completion</p> <p>Completed by Richardson, Jessica (action officer) on 12 October 2022 at 6:23:29 PM - This item is considered complete and can be removed from the action table.</p>
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Meeting Date: 17/08/2022	Item No: YA22.22	Officer: Richardson, Jessica	Completed: 12/10/2022
Title: Chairperson - Next Meeting - 16 November 2022 - St Johns Representative			
<p>RESOLVED (By consent)</p> <p>It was resolved that a student representative from St John the Evangelist Catholic High School will chair the next meeting to be held on Wednesday, 16 November 2022.</p> <p>CARRIED</p>	<p>Notes:</p> <p>01 ep 2022 12:19pm Richardson, Jessica</p> <p>The YAC resolved at the meeting on the 17 August 2022, see YA22.20, that the Youth Advisory Committee Consider the Action - Nomination of Chairperson for the Next Meeting as complete and remove this action from the Action Table., This directly relates to this action: YA22.22 and can be considered complete and removed from the action table.</p> <p>12 Oct 2022 6:18pm Richardson, Jessica</p> <p>Council staff will meet with the Chairperson prior to the meeting to review the agenda and meeting format., This item is considered complete and can be removed from the action table.</p> <p>12 Oct 2022 6:23pm Richardson, Jessica - Completion</p> <p>Completed by Richardson, Jessica (action officer) on 12 October 2022 at 6:23:50 PM - This item is considered complete and can be removed from the action table.</p>		

YA22.25 Youth Advisory Committee Leadership Workshop

HPERM Ref: D22/432499

Department: Community Connections

Approver: Jane Lewis, Director - City Lifestyles

Reason for Report

To provide a report for the Youth Advisory Committee on the outcomes of the Leadership Workshop held on 13 October 2022.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Youth Advisory Committee:

1. Receive this report on the Leadership Workshop 2022 for information.
2. Accept the use of YAC budget to cover the \$1,500 costs of the workshop.

Options

1. Adopt the recommendation as written.

Implications: The Youth Advisory Committee receive the report and approve the use of YAC funds for the delivery of the workshop.

2. Request more information.

Implications: Members of the Youth Advisory Committee request further information.

3. Amend the recommendation.

Implications: Members of the Youth Advisory Committee propose amendments to the recommendation.

Background

The Community Capacity Building Team held a leadership workshop with YAC members to take an empowering strengths-based approach to meeting the following requirement in the Youth Advisory Committee Terms of Reference:

3.3.3 Training: a) Annual induction and training opportunities will be offered to members to assist in skill development. Topics will be voted on by the Committee and could include Advocacy, Networking, Public Speaking, Speech Writing, the inner workings of Council etc. This leadership program will work towards meeting this requirement of the TOR's.

Event Details

This Leadership Workshop guided the YAC Members to develop their own personal leadership development plan, reflect on their personal leadership style and develop strategies to strengthen and build the qualities they wished to possess. Developing these leadership qualities for the Members in a safe, inclusive and encouraging environment will equip them to be more confident participants in the YAC Meetings and strengthen their skills as leaders in our community.

Council was excited to partner with Avalon Bourne from Sonder Youth who supported by facilitating the workshop and ensuring the sessions were engaging. Avalon runs the local Changemakers program and has a background in international relations and has been lucky enough to work on community-led change projects.

When: Thursday 13th October

Time: 9:15am to 2:15pm

Where: Shoalhaven Entertainment Centre – Gallery Room

18 Youth Advisory Committee members attended the workshop and all members reported strong to significant improvements across the leadership outcomes and all felt supported through the workshop. Participants feedback included:

“I had a wonderful time, can’t wait for the next one”.

“It was a thoughtful, grounding activity”.

“Thank you to everyone that helped make this day happen, I really enjoyed and appreciated it”.

The outcomes for the day included:

- Young people build on their leadership skills
- Young people become active and engaged participants in YAC meetings
- Young people develop a sense of purpose and confidence to raise their voice on the issues that matter to them
- Relationship building between YAC members – particularly in breaking down barriers between school cohorts and community members

Community Engagement

YAC members were consulted on the content and format of the workshop to ensure that a youth driven approach was taken. Through this consultation the YAC identified the following focus areas:

- Self-assessment
- Leadership styles
- Self-confidence
- Advocacy
- Teamwork
- Personal Development Plan

The workshop was developed and run to address the six areas listed above.

Financial Implications

The workshop expenditure came to \$1,500.00, it is proposed that this can be fully funded from the YAC budget allocation.

YA22.26 Youth Inclusion Grant - Community Grants Program 2022 Update

HPERM Ref: D22/432587

Department: Community Connections

Approver: Jane Lewis, Director - City Lifestyles

Reason for Report

To update the Youth Advisory Committee on the Youth Inclusion Grant - Community Grants Program 2022.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Youth Advisory Committee:

1. Receive this report on The Youth Inclusion Grant - Community Grants Program 2022 for information.
2. Endorse the use of \$5,000 from the Youth Advisory Committee budget to support the six (6) successful grant applicants:
 - a. Headspace - Headspace Nowra Movie and Market Extravaganza! - \$2,000
 - b. The Flagstaff Group – Tradie Training Program - \$2,000
 - c. Kangaroo Valley Lions Club Inc. Youth Project – Kangaroo Valley Youth Group Launch Events - \$2,000
 - d. Supported Accommodation and Homelessness Services Shoalhaven Illawarra – Aboriginal Mural for SAHSSI's Nowra Women's Refuge - \$1,835.25
 - e. Nowra Youth Services Inc. Trading As Nowra Youth Centre - NYC Cooking Program - \$1,500
 - f. Treading Lightly Inc. - Treading Lightly Inc. Youth Environmental Immersion & Team Building Day - \$2,000

Options

1. Adopt the recommendation as written.

Implications: The Youth Advisory Committee (YAC) receive the report and approve the use of YAC funds to support the Youth Inclusion Grant Recipients.

2. Request more information.

Implications: Members of the Youth Advisory Committee request further information.

3. Amend the recommendation.

Implications: Members of the Youth Advisory Committee propose amendments to the recommendation.

Background

Shoalhaven City Council's Youth Inclusion Grants program delivers flexible small-scale grants to fund a range of projects that will support communities to deliver community

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programs and initiatives that have a positive youth development focus and give young people the opportunity to develop a range of skills. Grants need to address young people’s identified needs in an innovative way and increase young people’s connection, representation and belonging to the community.

The Youth Inclusion Grant Program provides small grants of between \$500 and \$2000. The program supports collaborative efforts between community groups and organisations that are based in the Shoalhaven Local Government Area to deliver local projects that support the vision of Council.

Program Aim

To break-down barriers and increase young people’s (aged 12-25 years) access to and inclusion in the community, to increase the social and economic participation of young people in the Shoalhaven community and enhance wellbeing and a sense of community belonging for young people in the Shoalhaven.

Program Objectives

To empower young people to:

- recognise and celebrate the contribution young people make to their local community
- overcome barriers to participating in the community
- build community-based partnerships and networks
- feel a greater sense of belonging within their community
- feel empowered, as their ideas and opinions are respected, considered, and acted upon
- gain relevant training to support their participation by providing young people with knowledge and skills to strengthen their ability to participate in their local community such as developing teamwork, communication, decision-making, and leadership skills
- feel more confident within themselves and their abilities, having expanded their knowledge and skills
- seek further opportunities to participate and stay engaged in their community

Assessment

The Community Capacity Building Team at Council assessed the grant applications and provided the following recommendations for successful applicants:

Organisation	Project Name	Outcome	Recommendation
Headspace Nowra	headspace Nowra Movie and Market Extravaganza!	Successful	2000.00
The Flagstaff Group	Tradie Training Program	Successful	2000.00
Kangaroo Valley Lions Club Inc. Youth Project	Kangaroo Valley Youth Group Launch events	Successful	2000.00

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Supported Accommodation and Homelessness Services Shoalhaven Illawarra	Aboriginal Mural for SAHSSI's Nowra Women's Refuge	Successful	1835.25
Nowra Youth Services Inc. Trading As Nowra Youth Centre	NYC Cooking Program	Successful	1500.00
Treading Lightly Inc.	Treading Lightly Inc. Youth Environmental Immersion & Team Building Day	Successful	2000.00
			11,335.25

The Assessment Panel commented that these projects would provide opportunities for Youth Inclusion across the LGA.

Community Engagement

The priority Areas for this grant program were based on the priority areas set by the Youth Advisory Committee in the last 12 months.

- Sustainability and climate change
- Activities for young people
- Sexual health and mental health support
- LGBTIQ+ Inclusion

Financial Implications

The Youth Inclusion Grants came to a total of \$11,335.25.

\$5,000 of the funding required will come from the Youth Advisory Committee Budget to supplement the funds from the Community Grants Budget. This will allow for a wide range of diverse activities to be provided to the maximum amount of young people across the Shoalhaven.

YA22.27 Notification of Council Resolution - Youth Advisory Committee Re-establishment

HPERM Ref: D22/447088

Department: Business Assurance & Risk
Approver: Jane Lewis, Director - City Lifestyles

Reason for Report

Advise of Council’s resolution in relation to the membership and re-establishment of the Youth Advisory Committee.

Recommendation (Item to be determined under delegated authority)

That the Youth Advisory Committee receive the Notification of Council Resolution – Youth Advisory Committee Re-establishment report for information.

Options

1. As recommended.

Implications: The membership structure as resolved by Council is adopted for the period to 30 September 2023.

2. Propose a different membership arrangement.

Implications: Should the Youth Advisory Committee wish to make an alternative recommendation in relation to membership, this would need to be reported to Council for consideration/endorsement.

Background

Each year, Council reaffirms all its Committees for the next 12 months - Council has the option to: reaffirm its Committees; make any change to the membership, purpose, delegation, quorum, and the number of meetings required for those Committees; or disband Committees.

This report is provided to inform the Group members of the resolution of the Council. Should the Group wish to make any changes to the above, a recommendation to Council will be required to that effect.

At the Ordinary meeting on 26 September 2022 Council resolved as follows:

<u>Meetings per year</u> – Four (4) and others as required	Quorum – Six (6)
Commencement time – between 10am – 12pm	Terms of Reference: POL22/71 Amended: 11 April 2022
Purpose:	
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> To represent the interests and views of young people to Council and the Community To provide an opportunity for young people to discuss issues of concern to young people To provide a mechanism for young people to make representations to organisations and various spheres of Government requesting appropriate action to improve facilities and services available to young people 	

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- d) To give young people experience in Local Government and community affairs
- e) To create greater awareness and appreciation within the general community of the needs and talents of young people
- f) To provide a mechanism for young people to address youth issues themselves

Delegation:

Act within adopted budgets aligning with council's strategic plans and documents to deliver youth programs and activities that meet the needs of local young people.

Chairperson – Appointed by Committee at each meeting

2022-2023 Councillor/Staff Membership

All Councillors

Community / Organisational Representatives

Six (6) Young people aged between 12 and 25 years

High School Representatives: 2 students selected as voting members, and up to 3 other students from each local high school are invited to join Member for Gilmore or nominee

Youth representatives from the community and social service sector

Tertiary Education Representatives

Member for Gilmore or nominee

Member for Kiama or nominee

Member for South Coast or nominee

Policy Implications

There were no amendments to the Terms of Reference by this resolution.

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