



## MINUTES

### YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

Held on 29 January 2019 at 6.00pm at Caroline Springs Library.

**Present:** Kristie Lawson, Coordinator Young Communities Melton City Council  
Katriona Gauci, Team Leader Engagement and Activation, Melton City Council  
Leanne Getson-Ballan, Engagement and Activation, Melton City Council  
Brandon Rogers, Young Person  
Jayden Erol, Young Person  
Kiara Churchman, Young Person  
Makaila Mirabelli, Young Person  
Aken Angok, Young Person  
Binuri Fernando – Young Person  
Ali Bryant – Young Person

**Chairperson:** Aken Angok – Young person

**Co-Chair:** Kristie Lawson, Coordinator Young Communities, Melton City Council

**Minute taker:** Leanne Getson-Ballan, Engagement and Activation, Melton City Council

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#### 1. Welcome

The Chairperson read out the acknowledgment to Country.  
Melton City Council staff and young people members introduced themselves.  
Co-Chair advised the group that a rotating roster will be introduced for young people to Chair and Co-Chair the bi-monthly meetings with support from Melton City Council staff.

#### 2. Apologies

Bob Turner, Mayor Melton City Council  
Steve Abboushi, Councilor Melton City Council  
Melissa de Santis, Councilor Melton City Council  
Mnkong Agear, Young Person  
Marie-Claire Kasukulu, Young Person

#### 3. Declaration of interests and/or conflict of interests

Nil

#### 4. Confirmation of minutes of previous meeting

All actions completed and minutes adopted.

#### 5. Business Arising

Terms of Reference.

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### 6. General Business

#### 6.1 Terms of Reference (TOR) review

The Co-chair tabled the current TOR and read, reviewed and discussed it with the present members confirming that changes reflected discussion at last meeting.

##### Action

K. Gauci to send out the final TOR to all member with feedback required by the end of the week.

#### 6.2 Area of Interest

Members discussed possible opportunities and areas of interest.

- Youth Charter and Child Safety Messaging
- Domestic Violence
- Mental Health
- Anti-violence – domestic, social, animals, sports
- White ribbon day
- Health, racism drug awareness, bullying
- Year 12 pathways through YAC having a stall at the Careers Expo
- School counsellors to provide one on one pathways
- YAC young person were encouraged to participate at festivals and events

#### 6.3 Upcoming projects/events

The Co-chair tabled the following projects and events.

- Youth Mental Health Forum: 6 May Brookside College

Presentations to Year 9 students during the day and open to everyone in the evening  
Seeking young people to share their experiences, coupled with professionals.

- Summersault: 9 February, Caroline Springs

Any interested YAC members were encouraged to attend this festival for any period of time between 2-10pm to promote YAC.

- Harmony Day: 16 March, Moreton Homestead

K. Gauci gave an overview of the event and members came up with an idea to run a multi-cultural basketball tournament with teams from all cultures.

- Light up Lake Caroline, 29 March, Caroline Springs



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- o Youth Grants and Awards, 12 April

All YAC young people are encouraged to attend and participate on the night.

### Action

YAC young people to advise K. Gauci how they wish to be involved.

K Gauci to discuss all of the events and festivals with the young people at the next YAC catch up on 5 February 2019.

### 7. Other Business

YAC members discussed the following items:

- o Basketball tournament
- o African soccer tournament
- o YAC to communicate via an APP rather than via email
- o Quorum adopted a minimum of 5 people in attendance per meeting

The Co-chair thanked the group for their time and acknowledged the revised meeting format going forward.

### Action

K Gauci to discuss at the next meeting with the YAC young people possible communications apps

### 8. Next Meeting

Next meeting to be scheduled for 26 March 2019 at the Melton Youth Centre, invites will be sent and transport options made available for all Eastern Corridor members.

### Action

K Gauci to send out invites for regular catch ups with YAC young people and L. Getson-Ballan to send out the invites for the committee bi-monthly meetings in 2019.

### 9. Close of Business

The meeting closed at 7:10pm