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Hastings District Council: Hastings District Youth Council Meeting

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Open Minutes

Te Rā Hui:
Meeting date: **Wednesday, 4 November 2020**

Venue **Landmarks Room
Ground Floor
Civic Administration Building
Lyndon Road East
Hastings**

Time start - end **3.45pm – 4.35pm**

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Te Rārangi Upoko

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Kua Tae ā-tinana:
Present: Chair: Sophie Jones (Karamu High School)
Deputy Chair: Ondre Hapuku-Lambert (Karamu High School)
Tawhirimakea Karaitiana (E.I.T.); Thea Morton, Romona Wainohu and Keelan Heesterman (Karamu High School); Lucas d'Arbois de Jubainville (Lindisfarne College); Zoe Smith (Hastings Girls High School); Matilda Ellis (Woodford House); Sam Wixon (HNHS); and Louis Gaffaney (St Johns College)

Council Liaison - Councillor Wendy Schollum

Kua Tatū:
In attendance: Acting Group Manager: Community Wellbeing & Services – Dennise Elers (*present at start of meeting*)
Employer Connector - Pip Dixon
Democracy and Governance Advisor - Christine Hilton

Kei Konei:
Also present: Public Spaces Policy Planner - Alex Mabin

1. APOLOGIES

Louis Gaffaney/Sam Wixon

That apologies for absence from Tiaki Mildon (EIT), Brooke Hemmings (Karamu High School), Finley Duncan (Lindisfarne College), Eva Harper (Hastings Girls High School), Daisy Hill (Iona) and Janicka Tei (Taradale High) be accepted.

CARRIED

Acting Group Manager: Community Wellbeing & Services, Dennise Elers, was present at the very start of the meeting, but gave her apology as she had to leave by 4.00pm.

2. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

Ondre Hapuku-Lambert/Zoe Smith

That the minutes of the Hastings Youth Council Meeting held Wednesday 7 October 2020 be confirmed as a true and correct record and be adopted.

CARRIED

3. FACEBOOK PAGE UPDATES

There were no matters to be addressed under this item.

4. GENERAL BUSINESS

There were no matters to be addressed under this item.

5. DRAFT KEIRUNGA GARDENS RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN

(Document 20/889)

Public Spaces Policy Planner, Alex Mabin, circulated copies of a document titled “Summary of the Keirunga Gardens Draft Reserve Management Plan”. She explained the extent of the work proposed to be addressed under the management plan over the next 10 years – divided into Short Term (1-3 years); Medium Term (4-7 years); and Long Term (8-10 years) timeframes. Alex also explained that only certain parks had an individual management plan, like the one proposed for Keirunga.

The Proposed Concept Plan was outlined and it was explained that extensive public consultation had been undertaken in June-July 2020. The suggestions received by council had been incorporated into the Draft Management Plan.

The Youth Council members asked questions about various aspects of the Draft Management Plan and were advised that public submissions closed on 18 December 2020. The submissions would be addressed at a hearing in March 2021. Submissions could be made either in support of the Draft Plan as it stood, or some changes could be sought. The Youth Council members could consider making a submission from the group as a whole.

Matilda Ellis/Sam Wixon

- A) That the Hastings District Youth Council receive the report of the Public Spaces Policy Planner titled Draft Keirunga Gardens Reserve Management Plan dated 4 November 2020.

CARRIED

6. YOUTH COUNCIL – UPDATES

(Document 20/937)

Updates were given by the Youth Council representative on each of the Council Subcommittees or a member of the following Youth Council Committees, as set out below:

Youth Council Committee updates:

Health & Diversity Committee

Sam Wixon advised there was nothing to report in relation to this committee as the activities planned had not taken place due to the Covid-19 lockdown and various alert levels earlier in the year.

Art, Culture & Communications Committee

Louis Gaffney and Keelan Heesterman advised there had been no social media activity to report.

Information and links relating to the recent election had been circulated and there had been a lot of awareness and discussion in relation to the election.

Rangatahi Co-Lab Committee

Tawhirimakea Karaitiana advised that there was nothing to report in relation to the activities undertaken by this committee.

Environmental Committee

Sophie Jones advised that like the other committees, most of their activities planned had not gone ahead due to the effects of Covid. There was a clothes swap planned by Karamu High School and she suggested that if this was a successful event, perhaps the Youth Council could look to promote a larger scale community event of this type in the future.

Employer Connector, Pip Dixon, advised that the HB Regional Council was looking for a youth council member to be part of the work in regard to the coastal community and erosion and evacuation plans, but that member had to live in a coastal area. No current member of the Youth Council lived in a coastal area but it was something to keep in mind for the future.

Council Sub-Committee updates:

Eco-District Sub-Committee

Matilda Ellis and Councillor Wendy Schollum, who was also a member of this Subcommittee, updated the members, advising that the proposed plan for Keirunga Gardens had been discussed. A presentation had been given the previous day by Professor Bruce Clarkson from Waikato University on biodiversity in urban areas. The Council was looking at how it could best address biodiversity issues in its district plan.

District Development Sub-Committee

Keelan Heesterman, Sam Wixon and Louis Gaffaney advised that one of these meetings had been a workshop and one had been an informal session. Issues discussed had included speed limits, roading and housing developments.

Greater Communities Sub-Committee

Romona Wainohu and Councillor Wendy Schollum, who was also a member of this Subcommittee, updated the members. Brooke Hemmings had attended the meeting on 3 November. The Youth Council members were advised that the issues discussed at the 3 November meeting had covered a range of issues – City Centre Activation Plan (including lighting and sculptures); Hoops in the Parks Pilot; and Multicultural Strategy.

Active Transport Group Committee

Employer Connector, Pip Dixon, had attended the last meeting with Tiaki Mildon. This committee was chaired by Councillor Damon Harvey and Councillor Wendy Schollum is the Deputy Chair. The Committee was working on the promotion of more cycleways to encourage the community to become even more active. Some discussion had taken place regarding naming cycleways.

It was suggested that schools be given the opportunity to name some of the cycleways to help pupils become more interested in cycling. Any further ideas or issues regarding active transport can be forwarded onto Tiaki Mildon or Pip Dixon.

Ondre Hapuku-Lambert/Zoe Smith

- A) That the Hastings District Youth Council receive the report of the Youth Connector titled Youth Council - Updates dated 4 November 2020.

CARRIED

The meeting closed at 4.35pm

Confirmed:

Chair:

Date: