

12.1 MINUTES - BATHURST REGIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL - 5 FEBRUARY 2024

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RECOMMENDATION:

That the information be noted.

REPORT:

The Bathurst Regional Youth Council considered a number of items at their meeting held on Monday 5 February 2024, including the following:

- Guest Speaker – Tony Rothacker – gave information on how Youngster Co was founded and the current work they do within the community.
- Social media discussion.
- Youth Council project planning discussion.
- Youth Week 2024

The minutes of the Bathurst Regional Council Meeting, held Monday 5 February 2024, are **attached**.

FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS:

There are no financial implications resulting from this report.

BATHURST COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN – OBJECTIVES AND STRATEGIES:

Objective 4: Sustainable and balanced growth.

Strategy 4.1 Facilitate development in the region that considers the current and future needs of our community.

Objective 5: Community health, safety and well being.

Strategy 5.1 Provide opportunities for our community to be healthy and active.

Strategy 5.4 Make our public places safe and welcoming.

Objective 6: Community leadership and collaboration.

Strategy 6.1 Communicate and engage with the community, government and business groups on important matters affecting the Bathurst region.

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT:

01 **Inform** - to provide the public with balanced and objective information to help them understand the problem, alternatives, opportunities and/or solutions.

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Minutes 5 February 2024 [**12.1.1** - 3 pages]

MINUTES OF BATHURST REGIONAL YOUTH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 5 February 2024

PRESENT: Jessie Nunan, Kirilee Scott, Jasmyn Nankervis, Lachlan Wright, Sabina Short, Scarlett Hall, Meagan Justin, Kyle Destura, Aston Hornery, Aarnav Palak Shah, Harry Tayler, Isabella Morris, Nicholas Bellamy.

IN ATTENDANCE: Elise Dukes (Youth Development & Community Events Officer)

1. APOLOGIES: Henry Burnett, Soren O'Shannessy

2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY: Jasmyn provided an Acknowledgement of Country.

3. ADOPTION OF PREVIOUS MINUTES:

RESOLVED that the minutes of the meeting held 11 December 2023 be accepted.

MOVED: Aston Hornery

SECONDED: Jessie Nunan

CARRIED.

4. GUEST SPEAKER: TONY ROTHACKER-YOUNGSTER.CO-DISCUSSION ON YOUTH JOB OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN AN INTERGENERATIONAL PROJECT

Tony gave background information on how Youngster.Co was founded and what current work they do within the community. He went into detail on what current job opportunities are available within the Bathurst community and what role young people will play within their role. He invited the Youth Council along to the launch at Bathurst Library on Thursday 8 February at 1pm.

5. SOCIAL MEDIA DISCUSSION

- Engagement with Bathurst Youth Instagram page has increased, important to keep posting regularly.
- Kirilee mentioned that she is only receiving content from 2 Youth Councillors and has asked the Youth Council to start sending in more content.
- The reactivation of the Facebook page was discussed – Elise said it would be reviewed within the next month or so.
- Youth Council have asked for access to their official photos to post on social media. Kirilee mentioned all photos were taken off social media when new Bathurst Mayor was appointed.
- Jasmyn mentioned the possibility of getting new photos taken with the current Bathurst Mayor and Bathurst Council Youth Delegates.
- Upcoming content for sharing:
 - Harmony Day
 - International Women's Day

6. YOUTH COUNCIL PROJECT PLANNING

- Whiddon Aged Care facility visit to be held in late February 2024. Possible ideas were baking or bingo- Elise to contact Whiddon and confirm date and activity.

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- A Cuppa with a Youth Councillor is occurring on 18 March 2024 at the Rail Museum – Elise to put poll in group chat to confirm numbers.
- BRYC Connect- The first segment went live on January 25, 2024, at 5:30pm. An 'on-demand' page has been started on the 2MCE website for BRYC Connect. Each segment will be added to the page after it has gone live. 2MCE have put aside Fridays at 5:30pm the week of recording for the radio segment to go live.
- Olivia Robinson (Waster Officer) is organising a Waste Management and Junction Centre visit for Youth Councillors. Elise will put a poll in chat for dates given by Olivia. Elise to coordinate the development of 'Don't Waste Your Future' videos for Waste Management Section-Filming will commence late February.

7. NSW OFFICE OF SPORT FUNDING

NSW Office of Sport has been in contact with Elise regarding running a Youth Council led project for increasing local participation in sport and active recreation in Bathurst. The funding is to be used for an on-going project over 12 months.

Elise suggested a bush walking group that meet bi-monthly and walk a different track around Bathurst. Suggested walking tracks include the river and the kangaroo track. At the end of the 12-month program it was suggested that the group walk a track in the Blue Mountains. Youth Council are concerned about transport for the walking group-Elise to look into possible transport.

Other suggestions put forward by the Youth Council include:

- Ultimate frisbee
- Soft archery
- Multi-sport days: table tennis, running naughts and crosses.

Youth Council wanting to hold a working party meeting to confirm more details.

8. YOUTH WEEK 2024

- Discussed new date for Youth Week event as previous date falls on Bathurst Show weekend. Have decided on Sunday 21 April.
- Event to be held at the Fossil Museum forecourt or Kings Parade. Elise to look into availability.
- Event will include band performances, food trucks, market stalls, challenges/games, and prizes.
- Kirilee suggested setting up a QR code connected to the Youth Council Instagram page to vote for your favourite band to win a prize.
- Youth Council to coordinate the challenges in the Youth Council tent.
- Each participant in a game or challenge to receive a ticket in the lucky door prize.
- Expression of interest for bands and market stalls to be sent through the schools and put on social media.
- Elise to look into organising a BBQ on the day with Boys to The Bush.
- Youth Council would like to organise a working party meeting.

9. GENERAL BUSINESS

- Discussed Teen Mental Health First Aid Training with the first session to be held Monday 12 February 2024 in the committee room.
- Discussed creating a Youth Councillors reading list with the library. Elise to bring more information to the next meeting.

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- Kirilee noted that no Council delegates had attended any of the meetings. Elise advised that Council delegates were advised of meetings dates and times.

10. NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 4 MARCH 2024

The next meeting will be held at Bathurst Council Chambers. Youth Councillors are invited to arrive from 3:30pm.

11. MEETING CLOSE

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6:03pm.