

YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL



*City of
Joondalup*

**MEETING OF THE JOONDALUP NORTH YOUTH ADVISORY
COUNCIL HELD IN THE LIBRARY TRAINING ROOM ON
TUESDAY 17 APRIL 2001.**

ATTENDANCES

Tracey Lee McDonald	Chairperson	Bob Tomlins	Coordinator, Youth Services
Joshua King		Jeremy Manning	Youth Project Officer
Jennifer Dedman		Carol Morrison	HYPE Youth Worker
Viet Nguyen			
Anna Kim			
Sara McMillan			
Aman Pabla			
Emma Nolan			

APOLOGIES

There were no apologies.

The Chairperson opened the meeting at 4.40pm.

CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES

The minutes of the Joondalup North Youth Advisory Council meeting held on 19 March 2001 were confirmed as a true and correct record.

PRESENTATION OF BADGES

The YAC Coordinator presented members with their badges of office.

CORRESPONDENCE

The attention of members was brought to a letter from Worksafe Western Australia. Members were encouraged to nominate a young worker with a safe working record for a 'Youth Achievement Award'.

GENERAL BUSINESS

1. Introduction to the HYPE Program

The YAC Coordinator briefly introduced members to the HYPE Program. The Program aims to reduce anti-social behaviour by young people at shopping centres where they congregate. This is achieved by youth workers mediating between young people, police and centre security. The first project was developed at Hillarys Boat Harbour. Following its success a further project has been running successfully at Woodvale Boulevard.

Carol Morrison, a HYPE youth worker, attended the meeting and described the current activities of the project at Woodvale Boulevard. Carol provided details on the issues of concern to young people who participate in the project.

Members took the opportunity to ask questions in order to further their understanding of the program. They were asked to consider future directions for the Woodvale project and youth services in this area. Members raised the following possibilities:

- Parent workshop – 'living with teenagers'
- Improvement of facilities for young people in Woodvale
- Organised events for local young people

ACTION

Members expressed support for the HYPE Program. They agreed to discuss further their views on its future directions at the next meeting.

2. Hodges Drive – Safety Concerns

Sara McMillan expressed concern for the safety of large numbers of young people who cross Hodges Drive in the afternoon. She feels that the road features provided to ensure safe passage are inadequate. The problem is compounded by the fact that there are high schools (Ocean Reef SHS and Prindiville Catholic College) on both sides of the road.

Members discussed some possible solutions to the problem but felt that they did not have enough information to propose a solution. The YAC Coordinator suggested that the Traffic Project Engineer at the City of Joondalup, Mr Brad Lenton, might be able to provide further information.

ACTION

The YAC Coordinator to invite the Traffic Project Engineer to the next meeting.

3. Youth Council Week

Youth Council Week will be conducted between the 16-20 July 2001. A total of 12-16 young people will have the opportunity to participate. It will be an excellent opportunity to discuss difficult issues in greater detail. The YAC Coordinator distributed the program of activities for the week to members. Members undertook to begin developing possible issues for consideration during the week.

ACTION

- a) Each member to come to the next meeting with one idea or issue for consideration.
- b) The YAC Coordinator will convene a meeting in three weeks time (week beginning Monday, 7 May 2001), for people who are interested in participating in Youth Council Week.

4. Nominations for Youth Advisory Council

Nominations for positions on the Youth Advisory Council will open on 4 May 2001 and close on 23 May 2001. During this period there is a need to undertake promotion as widely as possible within the City of Joondalup in order to recruit members from a range of backgrounds and ages. Discussion followed on the best ways to distribute the nomination form and information brochure to young people within the City. Members suggested the following means:

- Schools – utilisation of student councils and visits by current Youth Advisory Council members
- Advertising in recreation centres
- Mailing information to sporting clubs
- Train advertisements – posters at train stations
- Shopping centre displays
- Advertising in surf and music stores
- Advertising in employment centres and centrelink offices
- Advertisement in the local community newspaper

ACTION

- a) The YAC Coordinator will develop a promotional plan for nominations to the Youth Advisory Council.
- b) An invitation to attend the next YAC meeting in May to see how it operates will be included with nomination forms.

The YAC Coordinator confirmed that YAC members who have been on the Council for two years will not be able to re-nominate for a further term. However, ways of using their experience and keeping them involved in the projects of the Youth Advisory Council, will be explored.

ACTION

A list of activities that outgoing YAC members would like to be involved with, in the future, will be developed.

5. Sports Program – Suzanne Akila

Suzanne Akila was absent from the meeting and therefore unable to present her proposal. At the previous meeting, it was decided that the Youth Advisory Council would like to pursue this project in September 2001. Funding options need to be considered in the near future so that appropriate funding for the project can be sought. It was suggested that an officer from City of Joondalup Leisure Services might be able to provide assistance in developing this project.

ACTION

Viet Nyugen will invite Craig Johnson, Recreation Officer to the next meeting.

6. YAC Action Plan 2001

6.1 Roles and Responsibilities

Roles have been allocated according to the preference forms completed by members at the last meeting. Discussion followed on their implementation.

ACTION

- a) Tracey Lee McDonald and Anna Kim will take responsibility for monitoring the progress of the Action Plan – the YAC Coordinator will provide support.
- b) Joshua King, Adam Wade and Tim Lee will be the contact people for the collection of agenda items. They will finalise the agenda and forward it to the YAC Coordinator for distribution.

6.2 Charter of Expectations

Some of the wording of the document has been ‘tidied up’. However, its intent has not changed.

ACTION

Members will return a signed copy to the YAC Coordinator at the next meeting.

6.3 YAC Newsletter

The newsletter content was discussed at the last meeting. Discussion at this meeting centred on who would be responsible for writing the content and how the newsletter would be distributed.

ACTION

Members attending to the up-coming marketing workshop with James Lawton will discuss the newsletter in that forum.

7. Roadsafety Project

Sara McMillan gave members an update on the progress of the Roadsafety Project. Some minor changes have been made to the storyboard and a draft script has been developed. A casting meeting will be held on Wednesday, 18 April 2001 in the Library Training Room.

ACTION

Interested members will attend the casting meeting in the Library Training Room on Wednesday, 18 April 2001 at 6.30pm.

8. Carwash

Discussion occurred around the need to conduct the carwash in the next few weeks. It was felt that it would be an excellent way to promote the Youth Advisory Council and the forthcoming nomination process. It was also decided that the weather would begin to deteriorate in coming weeks. Members expressed the need to have a banner on the day to show who was conducting the event.

ACTION

- a) Tim Lee and Viet Nguyen to write an invitation to the Mayor to attend.
- b) Members to attend a planning meeting on Monday 23 April 2001 at 5.30pm.
- c) The YAC Coordinator to seek out a suitable banner.

9. Marketing Workshop

ACTION

Members of the Promotions Committee were invited to attend this workshop on 26 April 2001, between 10.00am and 12.30pm in the Library Training Room. James Lawton, Marketing Manager for the City of Joondalup, will conduct the workshop.

10. Youth Rally Team

Tracey Lee McDonald gave members an update on the project. The team is currently meeting every Wednesday evening at the workshop. The next training day is scheduled for 13 May 2001. The team will take part in the Beverley Rally Sprint on April 22, 2001. An information night to recruit new members from Wanneroo will be held on the 30 April 2001 at the Wanneroo Civic Centre.

MEMBER REPORTS

Aman Pabla attended the Ocean Reef Residents Association meeting recently. The focus of the meeting was vandalism at Ocean Reef Primary School. Aman was subsequently invited to the Ocean Reef Primary School Parents & Citizens meeting. She suggested that Parent & Citizens meetings are a good way to link with schools.

ACTION

- a) The Promotions Committee to develop a Parent and Citizens database.
- b) The distribution of the Youth Advisory Council newsletter to Parents & Citizens Committees. .

A number of members expressed difficulty in attending meetings that start at 4.30pm. Members agreed that a 5.00pm start would be more appropriate.

NEXT MEETING

Date: Monday, 21 May 2001
Time: 5 pm
Venue: Conference Room 1

There being no further business, the Chairperson closed the meeting at 6.25pm.