



NEWCASTLE YOUTH COUNCIL

MINUTES

05/02/2025 5:30 – 7:30pm @ Newcastle Library Laman Street, Newcastle

Chairperson: Cr Paige Johnson Minute Taker: Asha McNeill

Meeting opened at 5:38pm

Notes Actions

1	Introductions and apologies	Present: Cr Paige Johnson - NCC Councillor, Dean, Jacob, Ibrahim, Mayya, Tarryn, Carol (NCC), Matilda, Chloe, Imogen (UNSA/UON Rep), Alex, Asha, Becky (NCC), Robbie (Attending online), Cr Sinead Francis-Coan - NCC Councillor. Apologies:	-
2	Declarations of Conflicts of Interests	Becky as facilitator advised of work health and safety including evacuation procedure.	-
3	New Member Introductions - Chairperson, Cr Paige Johnson	Cr Johnson introduced as current chair person and welcomed attendees. Introductions made by all committee members.	-
4	Election of Youth Chairperson for Year 1	Nominees: Ibrahim, Dean and Robbie Becky put forward motion to have four formal committee meetings per year with additional sub committee meetings to supplement.	Ibrahim was voted Youth Mayor for 2025 by the committee.

		Moved: Chloe	Becky notes that an agenda item will
		Seconded: Ibrahim.	be created for a formal role
			description to be created.
			Four formal meetings to be held annually with supplementary sub committee meetings to be held.
5	Youth Week Grant	Youth week 2025 - 9-17 April and has the theme 'I am We are the Future and the	SNAK N RAP - unanimous support to
	Assessments	Future is Now'.	recommend funding from committee members.
		CN is running a Youth Week Event on Saturday the 12th of April in Museum Park -	
		some funding is allocated to this.	Ode - 9 of 11 committee members voted to recommend funding with
		CN has allocated up to \$8,500 for a grants program to fund small activity	special conditions noted on
		allocations (up to \$1,000 ex GST) and large group activities (up to \$2000 ex GST).	presentation.
		Applicants:	Nouns 4 Sounds - unanimous support to recommend funding from
		 UP & UP - SNAK N RAP at Maryland. Small activity application for DJ, catering, art materials and event licensing. 	committee members.
		- Claire O'Brien - Ode - Community Art Event. Finance/application type to be clarified.	Reducing Our Waste Footprint - 7 of 11 committee members voted to
		 Headspace Newcastle - Nouns 4 Sounds - Songwriting Workshop at Newcastle Museum. Small Activity application for creative writing 	recommend funding with special conditions noted on presentation.
		facilitator and catering.	Newcastle Multicultural Youth
		 Novoschool - Reducing Our Waste Footprint. Small activity application for water system resources. 	Conference 2025: Empowering Young Voices - 10 of 11 committee members
		- Newcastle Multicultural Youth Conference 2025: Empowering Young	voted to recommend funding with
		Voices - CALD Connect. Small activity application for speaker fees, lunch, marketing, and admin.	special conditions noted on presentation.
		Noted that Cr Francis-Coan stepped out of the room due to a conflict of interest in the grant discussion process for one application.	

6	Youth Centre Business	Cr Francis-Coan advised of the outcome of the notice of motion (NOM) raised in Council that was supported by Councillors as a majority.	Committee members are encouraged to come up with ideas to bring to the
	Investigations		next meeting for a youth space.
		The Youth Council are advised that the committee is to be part of the process for	
		creating this youth centre and are encouraged to come up with ideas.	
8	General Business	Cr Francis-Coan advised that there is a transport questionnaire which may benefit	Cr Franics-Coan to share link with the
		from youth input.	committee.
		Social Media - Chloe raised a question as to how social media is run.	Youth Council members to nominate if they wish to be the committee's social
		Cr Johnson advised that the next meeting will be a workshop rather than a formal	media via email.
		meeting and Becky advised the date for that will be shared via email.	

Meeting closed at 7:12pm.

Next Meeting

Wednesday 7 May 2025, 5:30 - 7:15pm at Meet 1, Newcastle Library Chairperson – Ibrahim Khalid Minute Taker - To Be Decided

Youth Week Subcommittee Meeting

Wednesday 5 March 2025, 5:30 - 6:30pm at Meet 1, Newcastle Library Facilitator - Becky Kiil Minute Taker - To Be Decided