



LEADERS WORKING GROUP

28 November 2022

Yanada Room

Lewisham

Minutes

Meeting commenced at 6:30pm and concluded 8:30pm

Meeting initially chaired by YLWG members Alisa Hamilton, then Aurora Laing

Minutes taken by Charlie Coorey

1. Present

Community members	Staff	Councillors
Aurora Laing	Charlie Coorey	
Eleanor Lofts		
Alisa Hamilton		
Thomas Snow		
Oliver Walsh		
Nabilah Chowdhury		
Amy Bron		

Apologies: Petal Gill (YLWG); Natalie Sousa (IWC)

2. Acknowledgment of Country

Charlie welcomed members to their first meeting and provided an Acknowledgment of Country.

3. Introductions and Apologies

All introduced themselves, and Amy and Nabilah also spoke about themselves as this was their first meeting



4. Chairperson:

Alisa initially chaired the meeting until Aurora arrived. All agreed to rotate the chair and be supported/trained if they had not done this before.

5. Disclosures of Interest

Alisa disclosed that she had recently begun employment as an Electoral Officer at Anthony Albanese's Grayndler office in Marrickville. Alisa will be provided a Disclosure of Interest non-significant non-pecuniary conflict form which will be submitted to Council.

6. Quorum (minimum 5 members ie, 50% +1)

A quorum was achieved.

7. Confirmation of Minutes and Actions

- **Previous minutes** were approved by members who were present.
- **Draft Terms of Reference (TOR)** for the YLWG. Have been updated and re-circulated to all members for comments and feedback. All members agreed to shorter meetings but more frequently. When there were no items for discussion, those meetings could be utilised for workshops or activity planning.

Most members wanted to know why the Young Leaders was not an Advisory Committee.

ACTION: All members read and endorsed the re-draft Terms of Reference as tabled;

RECOMMEND: Charlie to enquire regarding the reason for the Young Leaders being a Working Group rather than Advisory Committee.

8. Correspondence

- Charlie tabled correspondence from Inner West Council colleague, Matt Balane about developing and conducting a pilot workshop on Ageism for schools. Many members were interested in knowing more.

RECOMMEND: That the Young Leaders and Seniors Working Groups hold a combined meeting in 2023.

9. Discussion items

Item	Summary	Recommendations / actions	Council's response
Feedback to IWC Disability Inclusion Action Plan (DIAP)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Disability Inclusion Action Plan - planning for inclusive community. Your Say Inner West (nsw.gov.au) Last day to provide feedback: 16 December 2022 • The YLWG identified the difficulty of finding and navigating information such as the DIAP on Councils website. 	IWC enhance utilisation of social media to support broader access to information about Council and community activities and events across all suburbs in the LGA	
Feedback to IWC Draft Cycling Strategy-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making cycling easier Your Say Inner West (nsw.gov.au) Draft Cycling Strategy. Last day for feedback: 28 November 2022 <p>Members noted that many of the smaller suburbs (Lewisham, Annadale, Dulwich Hill, Rozelle) are not as well connected up or easily linked up with other main suburbs such as Marrickville, Ashfield and Leichhardt</p>	Members agreed to post individual responses, noting the consultation and feedback closes this evening.	
Update about the Council Community Grants	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Charlie provided information about IWC annual Grants program and highlighted a range of successful projects approved by Council for young people: Battle of the bands (Petersham Bowling Club); Brolga Aboriginal Dance; Empowering Young people (PCYC and NSW Reconciliation Council); Sky's the Limit young women's project (Metro Assist); 	FYI The full details of all successful grant applications are available on the InnerWest Council website)	

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	<p>Inner west Youth Justice Ambassadors Project (Marrickville Legal Service)</p>		
<p>Youth Week 2023 update (10 – 20 April 2023)</p>	<p>Charlie read af status update provided by Natalie Sousa regarding Youth Week 2023 planning in the Inner West.</p>	<p>Natalie to attend a future YLWG meeting</p>	<p>YLWG members welcome to contact Natalie directly for any specific queries regarding Inner West Youth Week – Natalie.Sousa@innerwest.nsw.gov.au</p>
<p>Future Training Opportunities</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aurora suggested all should do the Youth Mental Health First Aid course; • Other suggestions included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Youth Engagement – how to engage with diverse groups of young people; - Chairing meetings; - Social Cultural Planning Research and utilising QR codes for information 		
<p>Revisit Young Leaders Group Key Interests and ideas for 2023</p>	<p>The Working group further discussed the following topics</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Work with Youth Week working group to reach young people through social media; 	<p>raised and confirmed them as well as the These topics</p>	

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b. Social bubbles in suburbs and access to events in your local area c. Look at more Activities for Young people across the LGA. d. Get to know more about what's happening across the Inner West LGA e. The need for Council to form better connections and communication with young people, via social media platforms f. Transition to independent living g. Understanding more about autism spectrum disorder and mental health h. Work with Headspace, Youthblock to support an awareness campaign around mental health resources i. More training opportunities for 18 to early 20 years. <p>The following items identified in the Terms of reference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How can we better support the mental health and wellbeing of young people in the inner west? 2. How can Council engage with young people to develop initiatives for the Children and Youth Strategy 	<p>will guide the group in 2023 when planning future activities and projects</p>	

10. Distribution of minutes and actions