
WAIMAKARIRI YOUTH COUNCIL MINUTES

Waimakariri District Council Chambers

7pm on Tuesday 28 March 2023

PRESENT:

Jason Goldsworthy (WDC Councillor), Ruby Wilson, Niki Mealings (WDC Councillor), Martin Pugh (left early), Oliver Kelly, Zack Lappin, Oscar Bai, Zero Andrew, Aaliyah Raja, Lucy Paterson, Hannah Wells, Olivia Smith, Tessa Sturley (late arrival), Sophia Wiggins, Charlotte Nihoniho, Jack Brownlees, Eris Le Compte (Minute Secretary).

Attended via Microsoft Teams: Yulissa Louw

APOLOGIES: Mayor Dan Gordon, Thalia Rae, Amelia Smith, Emily Belton (WDC), Lexie Mealings,

Ruby welcomed everyone to the meeting and a special welcome to the new members; it was great to see so many new participants which is very exciting. A round table introduction followed.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING 28 February 2023

Minutes were moved to be accepted by Ruby Wilson and seconded by Zack Lappin. Carried.

MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

- Preparation of the Op Shop maps for Rangiora and Kaiapoi are ongoing.
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1. REPORTS FOR DISCUSSION

Jason Goldsworthy

A meeting has been held on the future of cycleways and feedback will be called for.

Jason attended the recent Age-Friendly meeting which discussed looking into the future. It is important to raise awareness of what the future will look like.

Councillor Niki Mealings

Niki took part in last month's Access Group training day. This was an eyeopener to many of the staff as they circumnavigated around the Rangiora shops in wheelchairs, and using speciality glasses etc. Of particular note was how wheelchairs are affected by the slopes and cambers on footpaths. As well as trying to open some shop doors which open outwards.

A visit was made to the Kate Valley site in Hurunui. There were no odours emanating from the site, nor any seagulls hovering either. Methane is piped and reused. This visit takes place every two years.

Council is working on the Annual Plan and working towards the budget for the coming year.

Tessa Sturley

Tessa had only just returned from spending the day in Wellington accompanied by GP Jason Williams, at a rural health seminar. Waimakariri District Council are aware that a number of General Practitioners in the district will be retiring in the coming years.

2. DUDLEY PARK PROJECT

The mural poster has been submitted for approval to the community board and the funding application form is almost complete. Emily presented a report to the Rangiora/Ashley Community Board recently, and this was well received. An opening date is yet to be arranged.

3. CONSULTATIONS OPEN

Zack Lappin

E Can Annual Plan – closes 3 April:

<https://haveyoursay.ecan.govt.nz/annual-plan-2023-24>

Waimakariri District Council Annual Plan – closes 17 April

<https://letstalk.waimakariri.govt.nz/draft-annual-plan-2023-24>

E Can Peoples Panel – ongoing:

<https://haveyoursay.ecan.govt.nz/hub-page/te-korari>

4. WYC MEMBER REPORTS

Zack Lappin

Unfortunately, Zack was unable to attend the March training day meeting of the Access Group but is scheduled to present at the April meeting.

Ruby Wilson

Creative Communities

Twenty-one arts related applications were received.

Waimakariri Road Safety Group

Ruby will be unable to attend the April meeting of this group. A discussion was had around the problem of these meetings being held during business hours – usually 9 am in the morning – and the difficulties in Youth Council members being available at this time of day. It was questioned as to the value of these meetings to Youth Council? So, it was decided to pass a motion to have a floating representative attend when possible.

It was moved by Ruby Wilson that Waimakariri Youth Council request a floating representative attend the Waimakariri Road Safety Group meetings whenever possible. It is not always suitable for a representative from Youth Council to attend due to the timing of the meetings. This motion was seconded by Oliver Kelly. Carried.

Ruby will notify the Waimakariri Road Safety Group of this decision and will keep members updated.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

Festival for the Future Applications

Ruby

Applications are open for members to be chosen for one of two spots to attend the Festival for the Future being held in Wellington later this year. Ruby will send out information and request members apply if interested. Information can be found on the website – <https://www.festivalforthefuture.co/>

It was moved that Waimakariri Youth Council apply for \$1,500 (one thousand, five hundred dollars) for a Youthtown grant to cover the costs of two Waimakariri Youth Council members to attend the Festival for the Future being held in Wellington.

This was moved by Ruby Wilson and seconded by Zack Lappin. Carried.

Applications close on 20 April before attendees are chosen by Emily, Niki, Jason and Mayor Dan Gordon.

Youth Voice Canterbury Survey

This survey is collecting data for Youth Council to use in future. Ruby will send out the link and please fill out and share with friends. Ruby also has paper copies available if wished. <https://forms.gle/aS6RDqH73HLMjLS2A>

Youth Voice Canterbury Online Meeting

This online meeting will take place this Thursday for anyone interested. Zack and Sophia intend attending. Below is the Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86332999115?pwd=aFZtMm43UkVRQ3hQSU45b1pnc3NmZz09>

April Planning Day

Ruby

Ruby will send out information and asks members to please fill out survey on link below to organise a date for the Youth Council Planning Day in April.

<https://forms.office.com/r/wrswYTCnUb>

Cyclone Gabrielle Support Message

Emily Belton has sent a message of support from Waimakariri Youth Council to people affected by the devastation of Cyclone Gabrielle.

Values and Expectations

Ruby will send out the Values and Expectation documents and asks members to sign and return. Please advise Ruby of Facebook contacts.

Photograph

An indoor group photograph was taken of all members including new participants.

ANZAC Day

Zack enquired if Youth Council were to be involved in Anzac Day services. Any information can be gained from the Waimakariri District Council website.

ACTIONS:

- Ruby to notify the Waimakariri Road Safety Group of the motion passed to have a floating representative attend meetings when possible.
- Ruby to send out information re the Wellington Festival for the Future applications.
- Ruby to send out link for Youth Voice Canterbury survey and also has paper copies if requested.
- Members to fill out survey to organise date for April Planning Day.

Meeting closed at **8.03 pm.**

Next meeting is on 2 May 2023 7pm, being held at the Woodend Community Centre – Meeting Room A. PLEASE NOTE: CHANGE OF TUESDAY (due to Anzac Day 25 APRIL) AND CHANGE OF VENUE.

Signed

Date