



**Minutes of the meeting of Young Leaders Working Group  
Thursday, 18 February 2021 at Ashfield Civic Centre (Rm 3 & 4)**

**Meeting began 6:00 pm.**

**Please note: This meeting was also a 'Come and Try' meeting for any prospective applicants to attend, observe and ask questions**

**Present**

<b>Staff</b>	<b>Youth Members</b>	<b>Other Guests</b>
Charlie Coorey	Lisa Huynh	Andrew
Natalie Sousa	Josh Legdin	Darius Leong
	Kim Pham	Jane Caldwell (Darius's mother)
	Eleanor Lofts	
	Petal Gill	

**Apologies:** Daniel Pham, Antoinette El Alam; Emma Daniels (Coordinator of IWC Green Living Centre)

**Disclosure of interest**

There were no disclosures or conflicts of interest.

**Previous minutes**

The minutes of the 13 February 2020 were accepted by consensus.

## Discussion items

Item	Summary	Recommendation/action	Action response
<b>Acknowledgement of Country</b>	Charlie acknowledged Country and welcomed current members and visitors		
<b>Introductions, welcome and preamble by Charlie</b>	<p>Charlie agreed to chair this first meeting as members had not since last year and new young people were attending so needed to also respond to the “Come and Try” enquiries.</p> <p>Charlie also provided an update since the group met last in Feb 2020.</p>	<p>Accepted information.</p> <p>Outline of the meeting agenda was provided as well as the previous terms of reference for 2020.</p>	
<b>Youth Week 2021</b>	<p>Update and opportunities for events and activities across the Inner west Council.</p> <p>Natalie Sousa, IWC current acting Youth Development Officer and coordinator of the Council’s Youth Week 2021 attended and outlined the array of opportunities and events currently being finalised.</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Comprehensive program will be sent to all members and incorporated into the IWC website</li> <li>2. Request for membership of the Climate Change group of Council</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Members will select the activities they are interested to assist with, participate.</li> <li>2. Members will also assist with the promotion.</li> <li>3. New members were also asked to indicate what they wished to be involved with or participate.</li> </ol>

	<p>It is planned that a diversity of activities, projects and events will take place across the whole IWC area.</p> <p>A call out interested members from Emma Daniels, Coordinator of the Green Living Centre and part of Council's Environment Team, for members to join or participate in Climate Change Discussion.</p>		<p>4. Lisa, Ellie and Andrew indicated they are interested.</p>
<p><b>Training and Workshop opportunities</b></p>	<p>Training and learning opportunities outstanding from 2020 were raised.</p> <p>Two initial options were re-confirmed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Chairing meetings and discussion, including confidence building;</li> <li>2. Advocacy for self and minority groups.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Members suggested if we meet every second month,</li> <li>2. the alternate month could be utilised for training and issue-based discussions and actions.</li> </ol>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Revise the yearly schedule to reflect this.</li> <li>2. Circulate a draft when new members join the group</li> </ol>
<p><b>Questions from interested guests</b></p>	<p>Darius's mother asked about the ages of members;</p>	<p>Responses were provided to questions and the guests were invited to consider joining on-line.</p>	

	Andrew was invited by Lisa to join and asked about meetings and where do you apply?		
<b>Confirmation of previous minutes and actions from 13 Feb 2020</b>	Minutes were approved from Last February. Outstanding items were covered in the evening's agenda	Minutes approved.	
<b>Review of Advisory Committees and Working Groups</b>	Members were invited to respond last year. 5 members responded to the on-line survey.	Results of the survey were circulated to all members.	More frequency of meetings as well as more members and school student participation were highlights.
<b>Membership Update</b>	Charlie outlined the current promotion and update about enlisting new members. He also thanked the 4 members who participated in the short video that was created for our website and social media to assist with attracting new members.		
<b>Future training and workshops</b>			
<b>Correspondence</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) Young Changemakers – Youth For Action;</li> <li>b) Invitation to apply to the NSW Youth Week Committee;</li> <li>c) Invitation to apply for the NSW Youth Advisory Committee;</li> </ul>	These items were forwarded to members while the Working group has been in recess.	

	d) Invitation to meet Hon Anthony Albanese (Federal Leader of the Opposition and Federal member for Grayndler)		
<b>Revised Terms of Reference for the Working Group</b>	The revised draft has been sent to all current members and circulated at the meeting. Members have been asked to read them and provide any feedback to me. These will also be tabled for discussion after the new members join the next meeting.	Current members and new members to discuss at the next meeting for review and endorsement	Revised and endorse the newer terms after the new members join.
<b>Impact of Covid on young people</b>	General discussion with all present about how life has been during this pandemic. Members shared some of their difficulties as well as impact on young people		

**Meeting finished at 8pm.**

**Next workshop discussion and planning meeting to discuss Youth Week 2021 and introduction of new members - 18 March 2021**