



**MIN NO**            **MINUTES OF THE ASHFIELD YOUTH COMMITTEE OF ASHFIELD COUNCIL, HELD ON LEVEL 6, CIVIC CENTRE, 260 LIVERPOOL ROAD, ASHFIELD ON MONDAY 2 JULY 2012, COMMENCING AT 5:35PM.**

**PRESENT**            Councillor Patrick Kelso, Sophie Hawkshaw (Chair), Liliana Tai, Simone Tai, Johnny Egurrola, Yatha Jain, Emma Suyasa and Camille Cavill.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF LOCAL ABORIGINAL COMMUNITY**

"Let us acknowledge that we are meeting on country for which the members and elders of the local Aboriginal community have been custodians for many centuries, and on which Aboriginal people have performed age old ceremonies. We acknowledge their living culture and unique role in the life of this region."

**APOLOGIES**

Antoinette El-Alam, Mary Britton, Joanne Chen, Victor Dao and Pooja Halasagi

**DISCLOSURES OF INTEREST**

No disclosures were made.

**CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**The minutes of the previous meeting held on 18 June 2012 were confirmed.**

**ACTIONS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES**

Action 1: Facebook Page:

Three new people have liked the Ashfield Youth Committee Facebook Page. Thanks to those who have continued to add comments on the page.

Action 2: Board Games trial: The board games were trialed at the meeting.

Action 3: Camille purchased Scattergories, Jenga, Connect 4 and Creationary. Pass the Bomb and Pictionary are yet to be purchased.

Action 4: Quote for T-Shirts: More information needed. The Committee decided that the first preference for colour is navy blue (yellow is the second preference), and that the t-shirt should be of reasonable quality and not the cheapest quality.

### **UPDATE FROM COUNCIL INCLUDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

Teen Movie Night – The first Teen Movie Night was held on Friday 29 June in the Activity Rooms. It was a great night with 35 young people attending. We watched I Am Number Four. The lucky door prize was a hit, the Smartboard worked well and there was enough pizza, popcorn and drinks for everyone.

Emma conducted exit interviews with participants, filming their responses on the Ipad. The feedback was very positive with people happy to finally have something fun to do on a Friday night. There were no suggestions from the group as to what movie to play next.

Report: Ashfield Youth Centre – Camille has written a report which will be tabled at the next Community Services and Ashfield Youth Committee meetings. The report is entitled “Ashfield Youth Centre – Draft Vision and Operational Model”. (A copy of the draft report was handed out).

The report outlines the proposed philosophy and goals of the Youth Centre. It suggests that Council form a partnership with a local youth organisation in order to run the Centre, Monday to Friday 10am-6pm. This partnering organisation will staff the Youth Centre; run weekly youth activities, attract counselors, health and legal caseworker to the Centre. And Council will also run its existing youth activities at the Centre (Youth Zone, Youth Theatre etc).

The Ashfield Youth Committee will discuss the report in full on 16 July. (Committee members will get the final report with the agenda for this next meeting). Feedback from the Youth Committee on the report will be presented to the Community Services Committee. This is a chance for Youth Committee members to have a say about how the Youth Centre will run.

**ACTION: Youth Committee members to read through the report “Ashfield Youth Centre - Draft Vision and Operational Model” and provide feedback at the next meeting.**

**REVIEW OF FACEBOOK PAGE**

Refer to comments under 'Actions arising from previous minutes'.

**ACTION: All Youth Committee members to continue to contribute comments, short book/film/concert reviews to the Facebook Page**

[www.facebook.com/ashfielddyouthcommittee](http://www.facebook.com/ashfielddyouthcommittee)

**PROJECT DEVELOPMENT: TEEN GAMES NIGHT**

The Teen Games night will be held on Friday 17 August, 6pm-9.30pm.

The Committee trialed the games Pass the Bomb, Connect Four Challengers Corner and Creationary. Pass the Bomb was heaps of fun and addictive. It was very easy to play in a group but we needed to have someone to co-ordinate the game play. If you lost the round, you kept the card, so you could tell who was winning (going well) and who was losing.

The Challengers Corner was easy to run, but people were reluctant to go over and have a try as everyone was caught up with Pass the Bomb. We will need someone to encourage people to go over and try the Challengers Corner. Perhaps those who lose a round at Pass the Bomb should go over to the Challengers Corner.

Creationary was also fun. The games worked well by just taking turns and not bothering with moving your peg around the board. Also, we decided to not take scores as it was more enjoyable.

It was clear from our trial that structure and timetabled activities did not work. On the night, we will really need to have a flexible approach to when we introduce new activities (rotate between large group and smaller group play). Reading the crowd will be important.

**ACTION: Johnny to create a flyer for the event.**

**ACTION: Camille to email Johnny the details for the flyer**

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

NIL

**PROCEEDINGS TERMINATED AT 6.35PM**

Chairperson of the meeting of Ashfield Youth Committee  
when the Minutes were confirmed

Chairperson

Date