



Memorandum

To: Turakina Community Committee

From: Kelly Widdowson, Strategic Advisor for Youth

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Subject: Rangitikei Youth Development Update August 2020

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Yes Programme (Youth Employment Success)

Youth Employment Success (YES) is an online platform that launched in 2016 partnering with a variety of industries to offer free employment-based opportunities to 16-24-year-olds.

Since 2016, YES has seen 112 businesses across the country offering their time, close to 1,500 opportunity requests and nearly 20,000 unique visitors to their website across the country. The Whanganui/Rangitikei district platform was launched at the beginning of June, with 80 businesses so far on-board offering opportunities for our youth.

Council, along with 100% Sweet, are engaging with local businesses to offer the same opportunities to youth to connect to local businesses in a real world way. It involves a professional short video clip of business and their staff, talking about what the job entails and how the business and industry is a great career path option. Further the business can choose from a selection of real world help they can offer an interested youth. Such options include a coffee catch up, business walk through, CV review, desk shadow, internship and lots more. Each business decides what, from the offers, they can genuinely deliver.

100% Sweet further works with youth to help them successfully complete a work ready passport which covers a range of skills from the importance of turning up on time to begin drug free, first aid and basic health and safety.

<https://youthemployer.nz/>

Mahi Tahi

Mahi Tahi is the Rangitikei Employment Programme delivered through partnership with Rangitikei District Council, Te Rūnanga o Ngā Wairiki Ngāti Apa and their Te Puna - Education, Training and Employability branch, Mayor's Taskforce for Jobs and the Ministry of Social Development (MSD). The programme is delivered district wide for both jobseekers and businesses looking for staff. The primary focus is for youth under 25 OR anyone who has lost their job due to COVID-19.

Funding is used in a bespoke manner and has a focus on working with individuals to make them job ready through upskilling, training, micro credentials and holistic wellbeing. Further Mahi Tahi can support businesses with support packages, onsite buddy training options, and more. Mahi

Tahi is committed to working with local employers and jobseekers to provide effective solutions and success for all.

<https://www.facebook.com/Mahi-Tahi-Rangit%C4%ABkei-Employment-Programme102880514799866/>

Youth Council

Youth Council finally attend their postponed training day and inaugural meeting. This Took place the 4th of July in Marton Chambers. Youth Council elected a chairperson, deputy chair set their vision for the remainder of the year, and implemented strategy on how to deliver their vision to their community.

Members of Youth Council, along with other youth in the district, attended Festival for the Future 2020 (FFTF). This festival is usually held in Wellington over a weekend, however due to the uncertainty of COVID-19, the event was moved to a digital platform. Although attendees were encouraged by FFTF to attend in the comfort of their own environment, Youth Council agreed they would gain more benefit from attending as a group, being able to bounce ideas and concepts off each other, with the Strategic Advisor for Youth creating a mini-festival atmosphere. Therefore this was held at Rangitikei College, 13 – 17 July in conjunction with the digital event. 8 Youths attended the week-long event, enjoying the atmospheric activities and social interactions with each other, with mixed reviews of the digital content. <https://www.festivalforthefuture.co/>

John Turkington Forestry Youth Awards 2020

The 2020 Youth Awards has been postponed twice, due to COVID-19, forcing us to think outside the box to ensure the awards can still take place. The event was set to take place on the 27th August.

Finalists were announced via Facebook and Instagram 30th August 2020. The Youth Council made the decision to hit the road and take the Youth Awards to the community, rather than planning yet another event that may not eventuate. This will take place September 7th, moving from Taihape, Marton, Bulls and Feilding, with winners, runners up and nominees being publically recognised through social media and newspaper outlets.

Lobby's

The Lobby Taihape has remained open during August and through COVID-19 Alert level 2. It is run through MOU with Mokai Patea Services, 3-5pm each day.

The Marton Lobby employed a new youth assistant to supervise the Lobby, 3-5pm each day, however was unable to be open due to social distancing space restrictions during August. Re-opening will take place once we return to level one guidelines.

Recommendation

That the memorandum 'Rangitikei Youth Development Update August 2020' to the 3 September 2020 Turakina Community Committee be received.

Kelly Widdowson
Youth Development Advisor

RANGITĪKEI DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Byline in Te Reo



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Thursday 3 September 2020
7.30 pm

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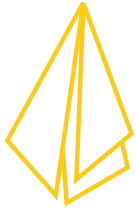
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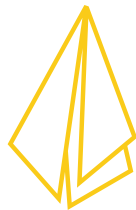
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