



Rangitikei District Council

Youth Council Meeting

Minutes – Tuesday 20 August 2019 – 5:00 PM

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Present: Kathryn Fleming
Caryse Clark
Hunter van der Jagt
Makayla Vaa
Reihania Hemi
Anaru Hawira

In attendance: His Worship the Mayor Andy Watson
Michael Andrews
Michelle Fannin, Taihape Community Board Chair
Nardia Gower – Strategic Advisor for Youth / Kaihautū Rangatahi

Tabled Documents: Item 8 Deputy Chair's Report August 2019.
Item 11 Local Body Elections
Item 15 Voice Box – District Youth Voice

1 Welcome

The Deputy Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting with special thanks to Mr McMillian and Taihape Area School for allowing the use of their facility. A special mention and congratulations was made to his Worship the Mayor on being unopposed in the upcoming Local Body Election.

2 Youth Council Prayer

Anaru read the Youth Council Prayer

3 Public Forum

Nil

4 Apologies/Leave of Absence

That the apology for the absence of Erika Elers, Charly Ward-Berry, Samantha Bradley, Paige Thompson and Cr Cath Ash be received.

Hunter / Anaru. Carried

5 Members' conflict of interest

Members were reminded of their obligation to declare any conflicts of interest they might have in respect of items on this agenda, of which there were none.

6 Confirmation of order of business

There was no scheduled change to the order of business and not late item raised,

7 Confirmation of Minutes

Resolved minute number	19/RYC/024	File Ref	3-CT-19-3
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That the minutes of the Rangitikei Youth Council meeting held on 23 July 2019 without amendment be taken as read and verified as an accurate and correct record of the meeting.

Hunter / Caryse. Carried

8 Chair's Report

The Deputy Chair read her tabled report. No questions were raised.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/025** **File Ref**

That the 'Chair's Report' to the 20 August 2019 Rangitikei Youth Council meeting be received.

Kathryn / Reihania. Carried

9 Rangitikei District Council Class 4 (Pokies) Venue Policy and TAB venue Policy Review

Youth Council members discussed the questions posed in the agenda with the following comments and answers:

Gambling and advertising of gambling should be kept away from children and youth. The Youth Council supports the reduction of gambling advertising and endorses increased education of the dangers of gambling and the identifying of problem gambling.

- What could Council include or change in their Policies to reduce gambling harm?
No advice was given for changes or adaptations to the policies.
- For a venue to obtain an operating license should they have to be located a certain distance from schools and early child education facilities?
That for new business to obtain a license, a limit on their proximity to a school or early childhood centre should be imposed. An exact distance was not settled however, the notion of not being in eye sight of such facilities was mentioned.
- What effects have you seen from gambling within the community?
Some Youth Council members noted seeing children left in cars or outside venues while parents gambled, and noted seeing addiction that grows over time.
- If so what enables youth to gamble in the Rangitikei?
No Youth Council member was aware of any other youth gambling

10 Central Government's Online Gambling Consultation

The Youth Council had a robust discussion on the consultation. Ms Gower elaborated on aspects of the discussion document as required.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/026** **File Ref**

That the ‘Quick read Online Gambling in NZ Discussion Document’ and the ‘online submission form for consultation on Online Gambling in NZ’ to the 20 August Rangitikei Youth Council meeting be received.

Hunter / Makayla. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/027** **File Ref**

That the Rangitikei Youth Council delegate the Strategic Advisor for Rangatahi to submit, online, the following agreed to submission responses on behalf the Rangitikei Youth Council.

Questions	Response
Open thoughts, interests and concerns <i>If New Zealanders are gambling online, what matters most to you?</i>	<i>Rated from 1 to 5 (5= very important and 1 =not very important)</i>
Consistent regulation of all online gambling and consistency between online and traditional (land-based) gambling	5
Operators of online gambling pay for harm associated with their products	5
Operators of online gambling return benefits to communities	5
Access to a variety of gambling products	3
Minimising online gambling-related harm	5
Comment on reason for responses:	
Minimising harm from online gambling <i>Which of the following options do you prefer? You can select more than one option.</i>	
OPTION 1: Education and influence (PARTIAL STATUS QUO) Educate public on potential dangers and harms of online gambling and influence operators to comply	Yes
OPTION 2: Gambling harm reduction services Industry funds online gambling problem gambling services	Yes
OPTION 3: Gambling industry and individual self-regulation (PARTIAL	Yes

<p>STATUS QUO) Gambling industry and individual self-regulates harmful online gambling behaviour</p>	
<p>OPTION 4: Prohibition or tight control of gambling-related advertising (PARTIAL STATUS QUO) Prohibition or tight control of online gambling-related advertising</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>OPTION 5: Government regulates industry conduct Government regulates industry conduct of harmful online gambling behaviour</p>	<p>No Comment</p>
<p>OPTION 6: Regulator enforcement powers Regulators get powers to enforce law and licence conditions relating to online gambling</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>Comment on reason for responses:</p>	<p>We propose that advertising the harm of gambling to the community at large, including youth would assist in harm prevention. With regard to regulators an option not in the discussion document, is for independent regulators rather than industry or government.</p>
<p>Online gambling operators and products <i>Which of the following options do you prefer? You can select more than one option.</i></p>	
<p>OPTION 1 (STATUS QUO) Lotto and TAB offer existing gambling products</p> <p><u>Operators:</u> Lotto and TAB</p> <p><u>Products:</u> Online lotteries, racing and sports betting etc</p>	<p>No</p>
<p>OPTION 2 Extend gambling products Lotto and TAB may offer</p> <p><u>Operators:</u> Lotto and TAB</p> <p><u>Products:</u> online lotteries, racing and sports betting etc, plus new varieties of online gambling products</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>OPTION 3 Licensing of domestic operators</p> <p><u>Operators:</u> any NZ charitable or NZ commercial operation</p>	<p>Yes</p>

<p><u>Products:</u> eg. online casino-type products or any online gambling product</p>	
<p>OPTION 4 Choose your preferred option:</p> <p><u>Operators:</u> any NZ or overseas commercial or charitable operation</p> <p><u>Products:</u> eg. online casino-type products or any online gambling</p>	<p>Licensing of domestic operators</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Licensing overseas operators</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Licensing both domestic and overseas operators</p>
<p>Comment on reason for responses:</p>	<p>If the public are already using offshore websites for a larger range of gambling entertainment then the market for it exists. By regulating and licensing the operators it should result in keeping people within New Zealand safer from gambling harm as well as increase the financial contribution to the community.</p>
<p>Do you think New Zealanders should be prohibited or restricted from accessing online gambling websites and applications that are not licensed under the New Zealand regime?</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Comment on reason for responses:</p>	<p>We propose that only licensed operators should be able to be accessed within New Zealand. We have concerns over how effective the proposed methods of restriction will be such as bank restrictions on credit card use and Geoblocking. Compliance and enforcement costs for prohibition we believe would be high and difficult to impose</p>
<p>Do you support any of the following tools?</p>	
<p>Gamblers could self-exclude themselves from using particular gambling operators or products (if this function was offered by the operator)</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Restricting credit card use on gambling sites (either blocking their use on websites not licensed in New Zealand or banning their use entirely)</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Restricting use of free public wifi to exclude online gambling websites</p>	<p>Yes</p>
<p>Prohibiting New Zealanders (and those residing in or visiting New Zealand) from</p>	<p>Yes</p>

visiting unauthorised online gambling sites based overseas or domestically	
Geoblocking unauthorised websites (meaning they couldn't be accessed from New Zealand without a Virtual Private Network/VPN).	Yes
Comment on reason for responses:	Using Geoblocking as tool will be effective for a some users however, obtaining a VPN is very easy for many people
Should New Zealand-based gambling operators have different rules/expectations/requirements than overseas-based gambling operators?	No
Comment on reason for responses:	
Other issues and opportunities <i>How should gambling regulators respond to online gaming with gambling-like elements? You can select more than one option.</i>	
Influence online game makers to not include gambling-like elements in future games	Yes
Require warnings about to be placed on online games including gambling-like elements	Yes
Ban games which demonstrate the characteristics of gambling	No
Comment on reason for responses:	
Do you think class 3 operators should be able to run their lotteries online or via phone	Yes
Your closing thoughts, interests and concerns <i>Did we miss any key options or impacts?</i>	
Did we make any wrong assumptions to get our initial assessment wrong somehow?	No comment
Is there anything missing from this document or anything else you'd like to say?	No Comment
Please provide any evidence you have to support you views	No Comment

Hunter / Reihania. Carried

11 Local Body Elections 2019

The Youth Council noted the comments in the memorandum and discussed the voting process. His Worship the Mayor explained that the number of vacancies on a Community Board or for a ward equals the number of votes that a voter can make i.e. The Northern ward has 3 vacancies, the voting papers will have all 4 nominees listed, a voter can vote for up to 3 candidates, but can opt to vote for less. Voting for more than the available number of vacancies would make the vote invalid.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/028** **File Ref**

That the memorandum 'Local Body Elections' to the Rangitikei Youth council on 20 August 2019 be received.

Makayla / Anaru. Carried

12 Rangitikei Youth Council Logo

The Youth Council approved the final design and requested that hoodies with the logo are produced for Youth Council members.

13 Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori / Maori Language Week 2019

The Youth Council noted the commentary in the agenda.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/029** **File Ref**

That the Rangitikei Youth Council agree to participate in Te Wiki o Te Reo Maori 2019 by creating short films highlighting the correct pronunciation of place names throughout the district.

Hunter / Reihania. Carried

14 Marton Memorial Hall Playground and Play Trail

The Rangitikei Youth Council fully endorse the proposed Playground and Play trail Concept, noting that a large swing and spinner by the skate-park would be well used equipment, supporting play for youth that don't skate but enjoy the area.

15 Voice Box – District Youth Voice

Ms Gower spoke to the tabled memorandum, noting that additional work is underway involving external agencies to produce a risk management and support system to sit alongside Voice Box. The Youth Council added to the participation rules 'No Swearing'.

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/030** **File Ref** **4-EN-12-1**

That the memorandum 'Voice Box – District Youth Voice' to the 20 August 2019 Rangitīkei Youth Council meeting be received.

Hunter / Makayla. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/031** **File Ref** **4-EN-12-1**

That the Rangitīkei Youth Council agree to the Participation Rules as amended at the 20 August 2019 meeting.

Reihania / Anaru. Carried

Resolved minute number **19/RYC/032** **File Ref** **4-EN-12-1**

That the Rangitīkei Youth Council agree to the Elevator Pitch as without amendment at the 20 August 2019 meeting.

Hunter / Anaru. Carried

16 Late Items

Nil

17 Next Meeting

24 September 2019, 5.00 pm, Taihape Area School Staffroom, Taihape

18 Meeting Closed

The meeting closed at 7:09pm

Confirmed/Chair: _____

Date: