

Youth Council Meeting

16 February 2026

4:45pm to 6:15pm

Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct: Ngallil Building

Attendees:

Logan, Bailey, Zachary, Niel, Samantha, Tairui, Douglas, Alisha, Carl, Casey, Flynn, Harold, Kaylee, Paige, Matilda, Cr Leanne Patrick, Rebecca Creedy (GRC Community Development Officer)

Apologies: Lochlain, Oneli, Joshua

Special Guests:

Senior Constable Dominic Martin

Agenda Item		Actions/Responsible
1. Acknowledgement to Country	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Delivered by Bailey	Complete
2. Apologies and Welcome	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Apologies for today's meeting: Lochlain, Oneli. Due to meeting link issue Joshua was unable to join online (Rebecca to rectify).	Noted by Secretariat, apologies to Joshua for technical issue.
3. Previous meeting minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Meeting minutes of 2 February 2026 Moved: Niel Seconded: Zachary	Nil

4. Incoming committee correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Email from Gladstone Ports Corporation (GPC) Events Officer advising that they are unfortunately unable to install a sunscreen dispenser at East Shores at this time due to their focus on essential operations in 2026. Evan from CQROC is pleased to offer us a workshop in Waste Minimisation. We have settled on a date in the school holidays for the 2-hour workshop and pizzas to follow. Thursday 16 April 10am – midday for those available. 	Flyers distributed for workshop
5. Outgoing committee correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rebecca emailed Calliope High School following Kaylee’s proposal through student council to install a sunscreen dispenser at the school. Specs, costs, information and photos were shared for their consideration. 	Awaiting response
6. General Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dominic and Sarah from QPS ran a trial run of VR headsets with the group. The VR experience is part of the Drive to Thrive program covering the ‘fatal 5’ scenarios. The program was made possible from a TMR Community Education Grant. Participants experienced real-life scenarios of the consequences of driving or being a passenger under the fatal 5 (speeding, drink/ drug driving, no seatbelt, fatigue and distraction). They also experienced a crash which resulted in loss of life. <p>Feedback provided from the group:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Youth have a high fatality rate of drivers aged 17-24 years; the group believe the experience was the right amount of impact for this age group. The scenarios were realistic and relatable, including drinking at a party and making decisions to drive home, or driving home tired. Some found the experience scary, but agreed that it needs to be this way to have a lasting impact. 	Any further comments or feedback on the VR experience, please send to Rebecca to communicate with Senior Constable Dominic Martin

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • It showed the different ways that people deal with trauma and what it is like to be treated by paramedics following an incident. • Some found the scenes quite dark and hard for their eyes to adjust, others thought this added to setting the scene. 	
7. Standing Business Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • “Sunny” Sun Safety Campaign: Naomi-Jon created Instagram Frames for the campaign and the Youth Council voted on their preferred design, with option 2 being most popular. • Youth Week Grant, April 2026. The \$10,000 grant has now been applied for; outcome will be early March. The 2 Connected Cafes will go ahead regardless of the outcome (if successful we will be able to add more to the events). Dates have been confirmed: Connected Youth Café and Colour Run Gladstone Wednesday 15 April 10am – 1pm Memorial Park, Yarroon Street, Gladstone Connected Youth Café Seventeen Seventy Friday 17 April 10am – 1pm Endeavour Park, 632 Captain Cook Dr, Seventeen Seventy 	<p>Rebecca to order Instagram frame for use at events.</p> <p>Awaiting outcome of grant to determine scale of event.</p>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Waste Minimisation Workshop – flyer distributed. • Mental Health Week, October 2026 – meeting ended before discussing this further. 	All Youth Council and Junior Youth Council are invited to the workshop on Thursday 16 April 10am – 12pm at the Philip Street Precinct
8. Other Business	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nil. 	

Schedule of 2026 Committee Meeting Dates

The Gladstone Region Youth Council Advisory Committee meet on the first and third Monday of the month from February- November, excluding school holidays and public holidays unless otherwise changed by committee vote. Meeting time 4.45 – 6.15pm.

The venue for these meetings alternates between the Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct Gladstone and Council Board Room at 101 Goondoon Street.

Month	Date	Activity	Time	Venue
February	2	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
	16	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
March	2	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
	16	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
	30	Proposed General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
April	20	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
May	18	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
June	1	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
	15	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
July	TBC	School Hols: Possible Agnes Visit	TBC	Agnes Waters and 1770
	20	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
August	3	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
	17	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
	31	Proposed General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
September	7	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
	TBC	School Hols: Possible Agnes Visit	TBC	Agnes Waters and 1770
October	19	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Council Chambers- 101 Goondoon Street
November	2	General Meeting	4.45 - 6.15pm	Philip Street Communities and Families Precinct
	14	End of year celebration! Date TBC	TBC	TBC