

# South East Corridor Youth Partnership Project

## Executive Committee

Wednesday 17 February 2016

2.30-4.00PM

City of Belmont offices, Cloverdale

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**Members Present:** Robert Becker (RB) (Department of Child Protection and Family Support) Andrew Yarran (AY) (Youth Leadership Roundtable Member) Rebekah Milnes (RM) (City of Armadale) Anania Tagaro (AT) (Senior Project Officer, Save the Children – Lead Agency) Kevin Taylforth (Ambassador) Lloyd Lawrence (LL) (Youth Leadership Roundtable Member) Juan Larranaga (JL) (Save the Children) Chris Woods (CW) (City of Gosnells) Lisa Dobrin (LD) (City of Belmont) Sue-Ellen Middleton (SM) (DLGC) Rachael Ralston (RR) (Youth Leadership Roundtable Member) Courtney Lyon (CL) (Youth Leadership Roundtable Member) Habiba Asim (HA) (Youth Leadership Roundtable Member) Chace Hill (CH) (Chair – Youth Leadership Roundtable)

**Apologies:** Neil Kegie (NK) (Chairperson, City of Armadale) Christine Jackson (CJ) (Department of Education) Matt Sharp (MS) (WAPOL) Suleila Felton (SF) (Department of Corrective Services) Marg Buckman (MB) (Department of Education) Ian Westmore (IW) (WA Police) Andrea Nixon (AN) (Department of Child Protection and Family Support) Penny Sandover (PS) (Department of Local Government and Communities) Paul Mugambwa (PM) (WA Football Commission) Evan Hillman (EH) (City of Canning) Romina Lee (RL) (DCPFS) Ross Wortham (RW) (YACWA) Lee Lombardi (LL) (Hope Community Services) Mick Geaney (MG) (Hope Community Services)

**Facilitator:** Juan Larranaga (JL) (Save the Children)

**Minute Taker:** Anania Tagaro (AT) (Save the Children)

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Agenda Items				
1.	<b>Acknowledgement of Country/Welcome and Introduction</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AY gave an Acknowledgement of Country</li> <li>• JL welcomed everyone to the first YPP Executive Committee meeting for 2016 and thanked the City of Belmont for generously hosting the group.</li> </ul>		
1.	<b>Apologies</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AT provided apologies for the members listed above.</li> </ul>		
3.	<b>Minutes and Actions Arising</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JL referred to the last meeting minutes and inquired if there were any comments or amendments. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- None were raised. Minutes from the last meeting accepted by AT and seconded by KT.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		
4.	<b>General Update:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Youth Leadership Roundtable Activities</li> <li>- CANs</li> <li>- Upcoming Opportunities</li> <li>- YPP Brokerage Funding</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JL mentioned that the YPP is currently in the last six months of its funding cycle and that this time period is critical for the project to show the need for further funding and the projected impact of the YPP if given another two years of resources. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- He also mentioned that the Executive Committee also need to be actively involved in developing a robust 'exit strategy/sustainability plan' if the project does not get funding post June 2016.</li> <li>- He stated that the YPP Team is currently developing a comprehensive Business Case to Minister Simpson in regards to him funding the project after the DLGC funding ends.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• RB inquired about the sustainability of the operational aspects of the YPP post June 2016. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AT replied that in regards to the YLR, the project hopes that we can secure resources through another avenue in order to continue their activities if the project does not get wholly funded.</li> <li>- RR added that she believes the YLR will be happy to continue their work, but not to the extent that it is and has been</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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		<p>currently running without funding</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- She also said that with the CANs embedded into LGAs, that the YPP Team hopes to work very closely with the YPP CAN Chairs within the next few months to ensure that they have the adequate supports and infrastructure to continue if the YPP does not get funding post June 2016.</li> <li>- AT stated that in regards to the Armadale Youth CAN, the City of Armadale is committed to ensuring its growth and development even if the YPP no longer exists</li> <li>- RM added that the CAN is extremely beneficial for the City of Armadale to continue, and it has been accepted and embraced as a core business of the organisation</li> <li>- LD said that the new Belmont Youth CAN Chair will have the implementation of the CAN as part of their PD</li> <li>- CW stated that it is invaluable to ensure the involvement of the community and other young people involved in the CANs, just in case the YLR dissolves</li> <li>- KT added that we need young people to be involved in the youth strategic plans for LGAs</li> </ul> <p><i>CANs</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AT provided an update on the current activities of the CANs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- She said that late last year and early this year, all the YPP CAN Chairs met and discussed how to progress each of the CANs moving forward into 2016.</li> <li>- She continued that all CANs will now ensure that each CAN meeting will be actions-oriented or activity/project based so that the CANs will start to achieve outputs and wins that show the impact of strategic collaboration</li> <li>- She also mentioned that in the last year, each of the CANs have been working on the Regional Youth CAN Action Plan, with the CANs having developed important advocacy points</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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		<p>that we need to progress. As such, in order to ensure that the CANs do not lose sight of these advocacy items, the YPP CAN Chairs will be holding a '1 Day Advocacy Forum' in the next couple of months that will be facilitated by Ross Wortham, Director of Social Policy and Advocacy at YACWA, that will help the CANs to unify and solidify the advocacy points that they want to progress moving forward. AT said that this day will produce a brief report that all the CANs are able to use, and can be taken to the SEMHSRMF</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RB said that the SEMHSRMF would be happy to host a presentation from the CANs at each RMF, particularly after the 1 Day Advocacy Forum</li> <li>- CW said that for the Gosnells/Canning Youth CAN, they need to work on getting commitment from members to develop a core group of people to progress the focus areas of the CAN. He also mentioned that he met with Cannington Community Directives to see how the CAN can work alongside them and act as complementary groups</li> <li>- LD stated that in the four years that she has been with the City of Belmont, the CAN is the only space that she has seen young people be genuinely part of. She also mentioned that the City of Belmont is happy to support the YLR in some capacity post June 2016.</li> <li>- JL added that the CAN are at different levels of maturity and that there needs more work moving forward, which is part of our pitch to government for further funding</li> </ul> <p><i>Youth Leadership Roundtable</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AT announced that Chace Hill has been elected as the new YLR Chair. She also acknowledged the great work and significant efforts of Jenna Woods, who was the previous Chairperson of the YLR</li> </ul>		

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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AT said that the YLR has been extremely busy since coming back together at the start of the month</li> <li>- AT added that the group has progressed their advocacy work by meeting with key individuals such as Judge Denis Reynolds, President of the WA Children’s Court, as well as with Jan Owen AM, CEO of the Foundation for Young Australians</li> <li>- AT mentioned that the group continues to be consulted by various groups such as YACWA in regards to youth policy reform and practice</li> <li>- She also said that the YLR continues to be invited to speak at special events and forums, such as the City of Gosnells CaLD Forum on Drugs and Alcohol</li> <li>- AT said that the group will be furthering their personal and professional development skills at the first YACPak Leadership Camp to be held at the end of May, which is a collaborative initiative between Save the Children, YPP, Headspace, the City of Gosnells and the City of Swan</li> </ul> <p><i>Upcoming Opportunities</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AT gave an update on upcoming opportunities for the YPP <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AT said that the YPP will be presenting at the upcoming conferences forums <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➢ WA Partnership Forum’s State of the Partnership Community Event in March</li> <li>➢ Communicare’s Collective Impact Forum in March</li> <li>➢ The West Kimberley Youth Summit in June</li> </ul> </li> <li>- AT also said that a significant achievement has been the launch of the PTA &amp; Millennium Kids project ‘Right Track: Respect Goes Both Ways’ short film highlighting the issues that young people face on the train line and the progress that PTA has made in training their transit guards and trying to</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		

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		<p>resolve the tensions between the two groups, with this project being taken directly from the Youth Recommendations regarding Young People &amp; Public Transport from the <i>Speak Out for Change: Youth Voices on Youth Issues</i> Summit Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- AT mentioned that there is also an upcoming opportunity to develop a partnership with the Foundation for Young Australians (FYA) to support the YLR</li> <li>- AT said that the Department of Health &amp; Human Services (DHSS) in Victoria has also approached the YPP Team to see if the project is able to guide their new collective impact initiative for children, with the possibility of the YPP Team to present to the organisation in the next couple of months</li> </ul> <p><i>YPP Brokerage Funding</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AT said that DLGC has not come back with a response in regards to our request to reallocate the remaining YPP Brokerage Funding of \$80K. She said that we will be following up with them again shortly</li> </ul>		
5.	<p><b>Discussion on YPP Evaluation – Feedback regarding the <i>KPMG Baseline Report October 2015</i></b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JL asked the group for feedback regarding the progress of the evaluation, as well as KPMG’s Baseline Report</li> <li>- AT gave the following update on the collated feedback from the group so far:</li> </ul> <p><i>Lack of Analysis</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Thin on substance</li> <li>- Majority of the report has been taken from the Evaluation Proposal</li> <li>- Need greater depth and analysis of findings</li> <li>- ‘Missed what we want’</li> <li>- Doesn’t provide explanations to comments</li> <li>- Doesn’t show if we’re actually being evaluated against</li> </ul>		

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		<p>whether or not we are achieving collective impact</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- “KPMG doesn’t understand the significance of a Shared Agenda”</li> <li>- Information/analysis regard the value of the backbone organisation is not highlighted</li> </ul> <p><i>Usability</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Only usable to an extent</li> <li>- No recommendations of how to progress with project</li> <li>- Can’t be used to explain how to achieve better outcomes</li> <li>- KPMG needs a better way for us to use their report as an advocacy tool/platform</li> <li>- From this report, we are not able to ‘tell our story’ and our impact so far</li> <li>- This baseline report could have been included in our Business Case for continued funding, but because of its lack of analysis, it doesn’t add value to our pitch</li> </ul> <p><i>Missing information &amp; observations</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The unique involvement of the YLR is not sufficiently highlighted at all throughout the report</li> <li>- Need for KPMG to attend YPP meetings and events in order to gain greater understanding and record observations of progress</li> <li>- Need to record the ‘unintentional consequences’ of the project, which is currently not included at all</li> <li>- RB added that the Executive Committee should reconvene the Evaluation Sub-Committee to discuss these issues at a greater depth. JL agreed.</li> </ul>	<p>AT to send calendar invite to Evaluation Sub-Committee Members</p>	
6.	<b>Discussion on YPP Business Case</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JL said that the YPP Team is currently developing a Business Case to present to Minister Simpson in regards to funding the</li> </ul>		

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		<p>project post June 2016.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- He mentioned that we had initially sent the Business Case along with the YPP Mid-Year Report for December 2015 at the end of January, but that there have been significant achievement of the YPP since then that the Minister needs to be aware of, and as such we have been updating it.</li> <li>- JL also added that we need the group's feedback on the Business Case before we send the final version to the Minister's office, as well as schedule a meeting with him to discuss further</li> </ul>	AT to send Business Case to the group	
7.	<b>Discussion on YPP 'Exit Strategy/ Sustainability Plan'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• JL said that in case the YPP does not get funding post June 2016, the Executive Committee needs to be actively involved in developing our exit strategy or Sustainability Plan</li> <li>- AT said that we may not have time to discuss this in depth and that we will table this for the next meeting. The group agreed.</li> </ul>		
9.	<b>Wrap-Up, Next Steps &amp; Close</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. AT to send calendar invite to Evaluation Sub-Committee Members</li> <li>2. AT to send Business Case to the group</li> </ol>		
10.	<b>MEETING Closed 4.00PM</b>			
<b>DATE OF NEXT MEETING: March 2016</b>				