

Minutes

MYSN Meeting		
Date: 5 th October 2011	Time: 10am-12pm	Venue: Multipurpose Room, Camden Library – John Street, Camden
Attendees	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cath Brennan – Sector Connect ▪ Erin Hoffman – MDSI ▪ Lee Studdert – MDSI ▪ Cathy Chopping – Centrelink ▪ Sheran Hiscock – Wollondilly Shire Council ▪ Michelle Williams – Wingecarribee Shire Council ▪ Kate Dixon – Campbelltown City Council ▪ Rebecca Dale – Camden Library ▪ Jodie Grundy – Camden Council ▪ Corin Broughton – Youth Solutions ▪ Mark Scambray – Camden Police ▪ Anthony Golden – Campbelltown Police ▪ Karen Chisnall – Sector Connect 	
Apologies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Regina Nagy – Traxside ▪ Donna Bevan – Connect Consulting 	
Confirmation of Previous Minutes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Corin Broughton – Youth Solutions ▪ Karen Chisnall – Sector Connect 	
Presentation – Cath Brennan		
Youth Sector Model Development Project: Planning for MYSN		
<p>The Youth Sector Model Development Project started in December 2010. The project started with individual meetings with service providers and then the project conducted a planning session in March for the youth network. The MYSN working groups were a result of this planning session, and will be worked on until June 2012.</p> <p>Some of the activities the project has been involved in include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Wingecarribee Youth Network: Youth Summit - Youth services resource library and organisation list - Results Based Accountability Training - Getting more young people involved by bringing together all the Youth Advisory Councils and Youth Advisory Groups - Encouraging interaction across the region <p>A report outlining the key activities of the project will be completed by the 31st of October 2011 which will include recommendations from the project.</p> <p>Cath consulted with the group regarding the 2012 meeting schedule, including meeting dates, venues, organisations to host meetings and topic areas for meetings in 2012.</p>		

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Jodie Grundy from Camden Council thanked Cath and Donna for their enthusiasm, support and great work on the Youth Sector Model Development Project on behalf of the Macarthur Youth Services Network.

Transport Working Group Update

Campbelltown Council currently has a student placement working on a transport directory for the region. He can be contacted on 4645 4534.

The Beach Bus will be starting in December to transport young people to Wollongong. The bus will run from 21st December 2011 until the 29th January 2012. Young people must be aged 12-18 years and live, work or study in the area to be eligible to use this service.

Wingecarribee has a number of transport issues. Currently looking to provide a bus service between Wingecarribee and Wollongong to support students at university. The ministry of Transport has committed \$10,000 to support transport options in Bowral.

The Transport Working Group is currently looking for more members and new members are more than welcome to be involved in the group.

Crime & Safety Working Group Update

The group is currently organising dates to visit Erina Fair to see their shopping centre model. MDSI also has some grants available currently that the group could look to apply for. As well as some Arts grants available.

Communication & Participation Working Group Update

Currently in the process of trying to better engage youth groups. An event will be held this Saturday in partnership with Camden Council, Wollondilly Council, Wingecarribee Council, Campbelltown Council and Youth Solutions involving a number of youth advisory committees.

Youth Solutions recently hosted some training focusing on social networking and the YSMDP is looking to run some follow up training on the practicalities of using social networking tools to promote your service to young people.

Jodie from Camden Council will be taking on the lead role for this working group due to the completion of the Youth Sector Model Development Project.

Positive Stories of Young People in Macarthur/Wingecarribee

- Youth Solutions Youth Advisory Group was nominated for the Pride in Workmanship award through Narellan Rotary for their work with Youth Solutions and the community.
- Great youth participation at the Relay for Life event in Camden recently.

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Ethical Dilemma

Ethical Dilemma: *“you receive a message on your work mobile with a topless picture of Sue. The picture also has an offensive slogan about her pasted onto it. You immediately contact the young women who sent it to you to ask what is going on. She says that Sue sent the topless picture to her boyfriend a while ago and when they later broke up, he sent it to all the other guys at the youth centre. One of those guys superimposed the offensive slogan and sent it around again. One of the other guys forwarded it on to some girls which is how the young women got it. She sent it to you so that would have to do something about how they were treating Sue, because she knows that Sue will never tell you about it herself.”*

The group discussed the situation and the possible approaches you could take to dealing with this situation. Some ways to address this situation that were identified include:

- Conducting a legal aid workshop at the youth centre to highlight the ramifications of the young people’s behaviour
- Identifying ways to address the bullying aspect of this situation
- Speaking with Sue to see how she wants to deal with this situation
- Playing an educational role and addressing your duty of care

November Guest Speaker

- Law Access/Legal Aid centres to address the issues surrounding the use of social networking tools by agencies
- Head space

Items Without Notice

- Camden and Narellan Library has purchased a music system. If you are a member of either of these libraries you can download 3 songs a week and there are no age restrictions on who can use this service.
- The library also has a YourTutor service operating in partnership with UWS, as well as a HSC lock out service where the library is open 5pm – 10:30pm for HSC students to study.

Information Share – information was shared verbally in the meeting, however this information was not minuted

Next Meeting Date

2nd November 2011

Time: 10am-12pm

Venue: Youth Solutions – Level 4, Macarthur Square Shopping Centre

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