

**Minutes
SWMPF Working Group on
Vulnerable and At Risk Children and Young People
9.30am – 11.30am, Thursday 6 April, 2017
Paperbird. Fremantle**

Temporary Chair: Judy Walls

Participants: Judy Walls (SWMPF), Peta Wootton (FMC), Sophie Doy (City of Fremantle), Simone Ryan (Palmerston)

1. Update from the SWMPF Innovative Funding Workshops

The meeting concentrated upon discussing the outcomes of the 2 x workshops which the SWMPF had organised to identify a priority issue for the Innovative Funding which was available from its DLGC grant. The workshops had identified 3 potential priority areas (complex homeless cases, trauma in Indigenous and CaLD populations, and disenfranchisement from education for at risk youth). There was agreement amongst the leads of the groups looking into these 3 areas that the youth focused initiative had strong potential as a collective response to a complex social issue. As such, the working group discussed this option and how to move forward.

A proposal was therefore formulated to have a working meeting of interested stakeholders on April 19 to further develop the initiative. Palmerston would lead this meeting, and representatives from the primary and secondary schools should be encouraged to attend, along with other agencies which could contribute to a broader response to the issue, including family support services, and other community service providers. Fremantle Multicultural Centre offered to host the meeting.

A list of suggested members was drawn up to be invited, along with the broader SWMPF membership.

2. Next meeting – April 19 (3.00-5.00pm) at FMC