

# George Town Future Impact Group

## Champions of Our Futures

### Terms of reference

#### Context

The Champions of Our Futures (formerly Project Steering Group) is a sub-group of the George Town Future Impact Group. Its key purpose is to provide advice, support and accountability to the delivery of the FIG “Our Futures” Youth project jointly funded by the TCF and Council.

#### Background

The community have said they want change. They want a future where:

*‘Our community works together to make our place **inclusive, proud, healthy, continuously learning and with access to jobs for all**’*

The Future Impact Group through the Leadership Table is working with the community to bring about this change. The champions in this group are a group of people that are passionate about assisting and enabling the Our Futures project to be effective as possible. This group is not required to report to the FIG Leadership Table, however discussions and recommendations from this group will be communicated through the Project Officer.

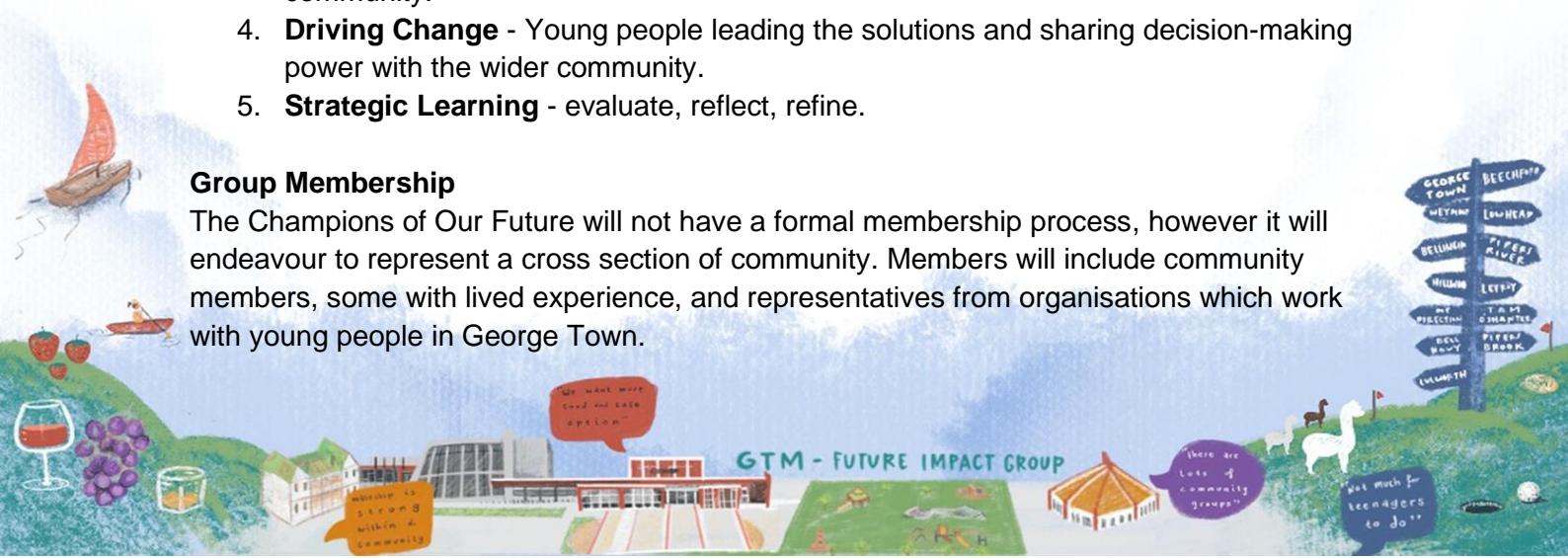
#### Key Focus of Our Futures

The Our Futures project is structured around five phases. The Champions are there to provide support and assist with direction that helps achieve the milestones that are laid out in the Project Plan.

1. **Foundations** - Engaging young people, building relationships, co-designing approaches.
2. **Capacity Building Workshops** - Strengthening the skills of young people to lead and participate.
3. **Raising Youth Voices** - Data collection, sense-making and sharing with the wider community.
4. **Driving Change** - Young people leading the solutions and sharing decision-making power with the wider community.
5. **Strategic Learning** - evaluate, reflect, refine.

#### Group Membership

The Champions of Our Future will not have a formal membership process, however it will endeavour to represent a cross section of community. Members will include community members, some with lived experience, and representatives from organisations which work with young people in George Town.



### Proposed Members

- Community Members including parents
- George Town Hub representative
- Neighbourhood House representative
- School's representative
- Council representative
- NDIS/health provider
- Police

### Meeting Roles and Agreements

The Group won't necessarily appoint a chair or minute taker, but the Project Officer will record any specific actions to be taken. The Group will be supported by the Director – Organisational Performance, Strategy and Engagement and the Our Futures Project Officer.

Members agree to work collaboratively, transparently and inclusively.

### What the group will do

The Champions of Our Futures will provide advice and support to the Project Officer on:

- Determining the areas of focus (which may change over time) within the youth's key priorities
- Implementation strategies according to the Deed deliverables.
- Project measurement and evaluation
- Support at youth determined events/ projects

### Meetings and Meeting Procedures

The group will aim meet monthly in a casual basis. The Project Officer will communicate with members at least two weeks prior regarding date, time and location. The default location for meetings will be held at the Launchpad.

### Formalisation of the Terms of Reference

These Terms of Reference will be distributed to the Champions of Our Futures to each member prior to their first meeting.

### Relation with the Public

The group members are encouraged to share with others about Our Futures and the projects that are undertaken. However, members are not permitted to represent publicly the Future Impact Group, or George Town Council to any forms of media without the expressed written consent of the Mayor or FIG's appointed public officer. Group members will be presented with a copy of Social Media for Councillors Policy document if required.

