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EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST NORFOLK ISLAND YOUTH ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Get Involved

The Norfolk Island Regional Council (Council) is seeking young people to join the Norfolk Island Youth Advisory Committee. It provides the opportunity to have a say on issues that affect you and your peers relating to Council functions and activities.

The previous Norfolk Island Youth Council achieved the following:

- recommendation on community engagement for the *Traffic Act 2010* (NI)
- raised youth issues with the Norfolk Island Administrator
- advocacy in regards to the provision of education on Norfolk Island
- provided advice on the Norfolk Island Community Health Promotion Plan
- contributed to the Alcohol and Other Drugs Community group and Community Action Plan
- registration in the UN International Year of Indigenous Languages 2019
- investigated the possibilities for Norfolk language to be included in street signs
- supported the NIRC to provide advice to support the ABS 2021 Census on Norfolk Island
- recommended investigation of a 'no-burning' zone around the school during school hours
- supported Norfolk Island in becoming a sanctuary for bees
- advocated for a Youth Centre
- identified youth activities and ideas to access fruit trees

Who can join?

Young people aged 16–25 years (school years 10 to 12 and up to 25 years of age) who live on Norfolk Island.

Youth Advisory Committee members will:

- attend regular meetings
- offer advice to the Standing Committee of the Council
- support and promote Council activities or special projects that relate to young people living on or visiting Norfolk Island.
- consult with young people, community groups and Council on issues and policies
- assist Council in effective policy and project planning, development, integration and implementation through the provision of advice.
- assist in planning youth events and activities
- attend Council events as youth ambassadors, if required

What will you get out of being a Youth Council member?

You will have the opportunity to:

- be heard within Council
- advocate for local government youth matters
- participate in decision making
- develop leadership skills
- help organize events
- be mentored by professionals in different fields
- gain valuable experience to add to your resume

How to apply

Go to Council's website to see the Terms of Reference:

<http://www.norfolkisland.gov.nf/council-advisory-committees-expressions-interest>

Complete an Expression of Interest form online:

<https://forms.office.com/r/Gd1YAgNt7Y>

Applications close 4 pm Friday 20 August 2021.

For further information please contact Kym Buffett, Community Development Officer on phone 22147 or email kym.buffett@nirc.gov.nf

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