

Preamble

Mid-Western Regional Council appreciates the advice, voluntary time, commitment, interest and dedication of those willing to be part of the Mid-Western Regional Youth Council. Recommendations from the Youth Council are welcomed and will be considered in the context of Council's management and strategic planning process.

Council Contact

The Youth Services Officer is the Council contact officer for the Youth Council.

Responsibilities

The Mid-Western Regional Youth Council will:

- Provide a forum for consultation between Council and local young people throughout the Council area.
- Analyse, consider and implement the recommendations in the Youth Strategy and Community Plan for the wide ranging needs of resident youth throughout the Council area.
- Provide support for youth related programs and initiatives including Youth Week.
- Identify gaps in service provision for youth and provide ideas for future service delivery, events and resources.
- Connect youth with existing resources including cultural and arts resources in communities within the Council area.

Composition of Youth Council

Ideally, the Youth Council shall comprise of at least two (2) representatives of each of the high schools (including St Matthews Central School) in Gulgong, Rylstone, Kandos and Mudgee together with up to four (4) delegates from the general community, including TAFE students.

Initial application to be representative on the Youth Council will be limited to local youth aged 13 to 21 years.

Councillors are also representatives on the Youth Council.

Frequency of Meetings

One meeting per month (on the second Tuesday), except during January.

Election of Office Bearers

In order to encourage participation, Youth Council Officer Bearers (Youth Mayor and Deputy Youth Mayor) will be elected for a term of six months at the commencement of school terms 1 and 3, from term 3 2018 onwards.

Quorum

A quorum at Youth Council meetings should be half the current membership plus one however a minimum of three (3) youth councillors in attendance is also considered quorum.

Delegations

Nil.

