



IPSWICH YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL

INFORMATION SHEET 2018



WHAT IS IYAC?

Ipswich Youth Advisory Council (IYAC) is a youth engagement initiative for young people aged 16-25. The goal of IYAC is to ensure Ipswich's young people are heard on the issues they care about and are empowered to undertake change-making initiatives across the City – designed by young people, for young people **#youthworkingforyouth**

WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?

Being a part of IYAC allows you to make a real impact in your community, other benefits include:

- Opportunities to develop your own youth initiatives and events for young people in the City of Ipswich
- Develop leadership, planning, administration, community engagement, research and teamwork skills
- Chance to work with and collaborate with other young people, community groups and services
- Opportunity to be an active member of your local community and make a difference
- Build networks and contacts in the City of Ipswich and further abroad
- Learn how local government works, influence decision-making and be a part of the process.

WHO WE'RE LOOKING FOR:

Ipswich City Council is looking for young people aged 16-25 living in the Ipswich region who are:

- Dedicated, enthusiastic and committed to young people issues which affect and matter to them
- Keen to learn new skills and experience personal development
- Interested in becoming involved in and planning and development of youth events and initiatives
- Willing to represent the youth of Ipswich at a range of events and other duties
- Able to listen and respect the views of his/her peer group.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF IYAC MEMBERS:

- All applicants will have to be prepared to commit to the Ipswich Youth Advisory Council for a minimum of 12 months and maximum of two years. After the successful completion of a two year term, applicants will be required to re-apply for IYAC (providing age requirements are met)
- Attend meetings which will be held monthly (at first, but to be determined by IYAC members) from 4.30 pm – 6.00 pm and more frequently as required
- Participate in local community events, forums and activities (both day and night events) on week days, weekends and during school holidays (as required).

HOW TO APPLY:

Submit online application via [Ipswich.qld.gov.au/IYAC](https://ipswich.qld.gov.au/IYAC) or complete a print friendly version and return via post to:

Children & Youth Development Officer
Ipswich City Council
PO Box 191
Ipswich QLD 4305

For more information visit [Ipswich.qld.gov.au/IYAC](https://ipswich.qld.gov.au/IYAC)
or contact Council's Community Engagement branch
(07) 3810 6285 or youth@ipswich.qld.gov.au

