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APPLICATIONS CLOSING SOON FOR NSW YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL 2022

Young community leaders and passionate advocates from across NSW are being encouraged to apply for the 2022 NSW Youth Advisory Council (YAC) with applications closing very soon. With just one week left to apply for membership of the 2022 YAC, The Advocate for Children and Young People Ms Zoë Robinson encourages young people to waste no time in submitting their applications.

“Applications will close this Sunday, 13 March so apply now to ensure you have an opportunity to be a voice for young people in NSW,” Advocate for Children and Young People, Ms Zoë Robinson said.

The 12 member Youth Advisory Council has a statutory role to advise the NSW Government on issues of importance to young people. They meet regularly throughout their 12-month term to provide advice to both the NSW Government and the Advocate and to monitor and evaluate policies and legislation which affect young people.

One of the key priorities of the Youth Advisory Council is promoting a diverse range of views, including the voices of rural and regional young people.

“Every year, the 12 new members of the YAC bring to the table new and unique insights drawn from their personal life experiences. We strongly encourage children and young people from a diverse range of backgrounds to apply for this unique opportunity to have a voice and make a difference for all young people across NSW.

“Being on the YAC gives young people a meaningful way to engage directly with the NSW Government and other policy makers across the community. It is a fantastic opportunity for young people to represent their peers, have their say and advocate for the issues that they are passionate about,” said Ms Robinson.

YAC members are sought from all over NSW. Young people from all walks of life are invited to apply, as the more diverse the council members are, the more insightful the results are.

Applications are open until Sunday 13 March 2022, for more information and to complete an application visit www.acyp.nsw.gov.au

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