



GLEN INNES SEVERN COUNCIL Youth Services Policy

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INTRODUCTION

Glen Innes Severn Council is committed to providing services for Youth (young people between the ages of 12 years and 24 years) that enhance the experiences and growth of young people in the Glen Innes Severn **Local government Area (LGA)**.

Some examples of Council's services and facilities that enhance the lives of young people in the community are:

- Parks and open spaces;
- Sporting fields;
- Skate park;
- The Aquatic Centre;
- Library and Learning Centre;
- Youth Worker;
- The Youth Booth facility and services out of same;
- Participation in the Youth Advisory Committee;
- Planning and collaboration with other Youth agencies, including the Youth Network Meetings;
- Referrals to other specialised services; and
- Provision of information relating to Youth Services.

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AIMS

The aims of Council's Youth Services are to:

- Maintain a vibrant, modern, safe, supportive and engaging space for youth to visit and interact in a positive manner at The Youth Booth;
- Provide afternoon snacks;
- Foster an environment where learning is encouraged through guest speakers and support with homework;
- Promote access to activities and organisations that enhance community involvement and connectedness, and encourage the development of self-esteem, self-reliance and social confidence;
- Facilitate informed access to opportunities and services by providing relevant information to the youth;
- Promote the collaboration of local youth agencies by facilitating Youth Network Meetings, developing partnerships and participating in joint projects;
- Promote health awareness;
- Promote exercise;
- Hear the voice of young people and gain a better understanding and awareness of the issues relating to youth, through the Youth Advisory Committee.

POLICY STATEMENT

Council's Youth Services operate out of The Youth Booth and are facilitated by the Youth Worker to encourage and support young people, give them a voice through the Youth Advisory Committee as well as enhancing their experiences through improved self-esteem, self-reliance and social confidence across the Glen Innes Severn LGA as outlined in the policy aims.

The Youth Services are funded via:

- Glen Innes Severn Council;
- NSW Department of Communities and Justice; and
- Funding for individual projects from various external sources (for example, Youth Week).

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APPLICABILITY

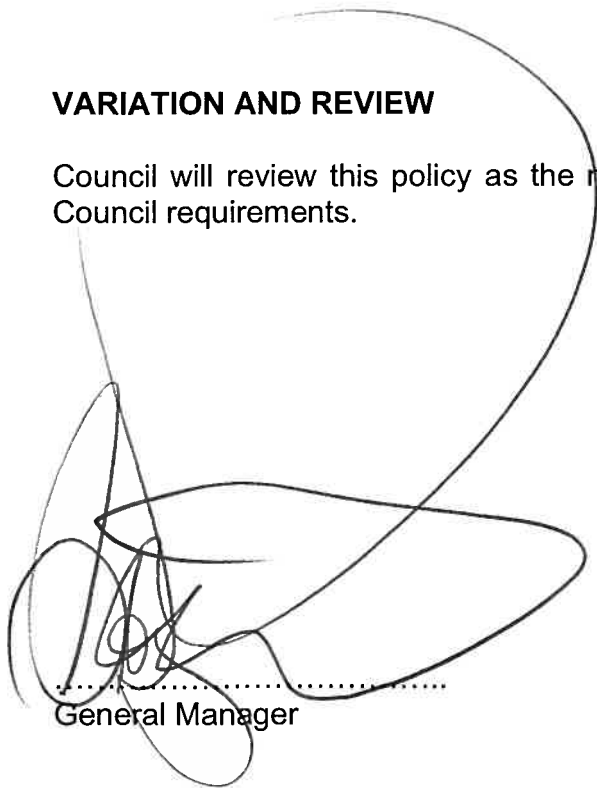
This Policy applies to Youth in the Glen Innes Severn LGA.

IMPLEMENTATION /COMMUNICATION

This Policy will be communicated to relevant personnel by the Manager of Community Services.

VARIATION AND REVIEW

Council will review this policy as the need arises, and/or every three (3) years as per Council requirements.



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General Manager

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