

PLENARY PRESENTATION

Address from the Junior Mayor and Junior Deputy Mayor

Tamsyn Hill and Zoe Thompson, City of Mandurah Junior Council

Abstract

Mandurah's Junior Mayor Tamsyn Hill, and Deputy Junior Mayor Zoe Thompson represent the Mandurah Junior Council.

The Junior Council was first established in 1985 to enable young people to have a voice in their community and to learn about local government. Since its inception, some of the format has changed, but the original objective has remained the same: to empower young people within Mandurah and equip them with the skills to step up as leaders today and into the future.

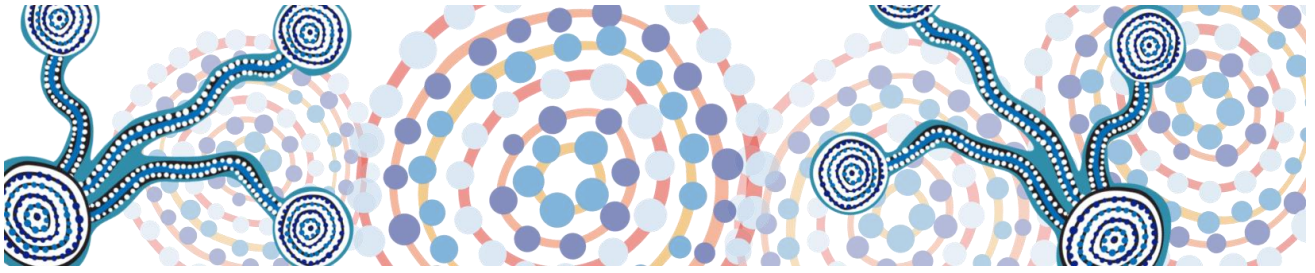
In 2021 the Junior Council is made up of 38 Junior Councillors; two Year 6 students from 19 Primary Schools across the City of Mandurah. Students are elected by their schools and learn about local government, issues facing the Mandurah community, advocating for other young people, public speaking and their own ability to influence decision makers.

Junior Council is a fantastic opportunity to connect students from within the diverse Mandurah community, where they learn about respecting one another's opinions, working collaboratively and communicating effectively.

Over the years the Junior Council have had a significant impact in the community through a range of community initiatives they have led, including some environmental projects.

Acknowledgement

Tamsyn and Zoe acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we meet and pays respects to their Elders past and present.



Speaker Profile

Tamsyn Hill is the Deputy Junior Mayor of Mandurah for 2021. She was appointed to the Junior Council to represent her School Falcon Primary. Working closely alongside her for 2021 is Zoe Thompson, the Deputy Junior Mayor from Frederick Irwin Anglian School.

