



Youth Crews - Frequently Asked Questions

Q. Why is EVOLVE Youth Crew being disbanded?

We see this as an exciting time to overhaul the current offerings to youth in the Shire of Strathbogie. EVOLVE was created sometime ago and things have changed a lot for young people since then.

We have a new Youth Development Officer Annette Walton and she is incredibly eager to link in with all different types of young people across the Shire who all have a vast range of different interests.

The crews will have the opportunity to come up with a new name and branding for their overall crew which will be a great project to work on too.

Q. Why are the crews going to be individual to each town?

We know there are many unique qualities to each of the communities within the Strathbogie Shire. That is why we want to make sure each town's individual needs are heard loud and clear. To do this, we will create individual crews within each town that can focus on what drives their own communities.

Then, each crew will have the opportunity to regularly come together so that they can create projects for the entire Shire as well.

Q. What will the crews do?

The crews will be responsible for organising local activities, advocating for youth-focused needs in their community, learning leadership skills and connecting with other young people in their community.

It will be a matter of young people getting out as much as they put into their work with the crews.

When a group of like-minded young people can dream big with a Youth Development Officer to help them put their dreams into practice, great things can happen.

Q. Is there an application process required?

No there's not! Unlike the application process for EVOLVE Youth, Council is simply calling on young people aged between 12 and 25 years to register their interest in joining the crews via our online engagement portal Share Strathbogie.

Our Youth Development Officer Annette Walton will review the expressions of interest and those who registered will form the crews.

Q. How will joining the crews benefit me?

It's a great way to learn new skills in a safe environment where there's no judgement and young people are encouraged to be themselves.

Young people can add their position in the crews to their resume and feel empowered by being involved in their local communities.

They can also create the opportunities they want to see for young people in the Shire of Strathbogie.



Q. How much of my time will I need to commit if I want to join?

A. The frequency in which the groups meet and what days of the week will be determined by the crews themselves as to what best suits them.

This will also be coupled with regular Shire-wide meetings involving all the crews coming together. It is anticipated these will happen less often than individual crew sessions but they will still take place on a regular basis.

Q. Will there still be a Youth Space at the Council offices in Euroa?

Yes! While the current EVOLVE Youth Space is being turned into a different space, this means we get the chance to create a fantastic new space for youth. We're looking forward to sharing more information about this in the future and getting our crews to help us shape this space into the future.