



Media Release Youth Council Retreat 2018

Over the weekend of Friday 16 – Sunday 18 March, 2018 this years' Hindmarsh Shire Youth Councillors gathered at the Little Desert Nature Lodge to participate in their annual leadership retreat. The weekend sets the Youth Councillors up with the foundations to work collaboratively as a team and build on the individual strengths of each member.

Youth leadership workshop facilitation experts, YLead, travelled to Nhill to facilitate the weekend's activities and teach participants required skills. YLead specialises in providing leadership programs that build confidence, create united cohorts and motivate students to be active leaders in their school and broader communities.

Across three days Youth Councillors learnt how to:

-) Develop positive group dynamics through a series of team based activities that challenge participants to work cooperatively
-) Encourage participants to reflect on their personal strengths and gain confidence in their ability to lead
-) Challenge students with the notion of creating a legacy by positively influencing others
-) Explore the importance of setting goals and identify the keys to achieving them
-) Empower participants to lead themselves and take responsibility for their own choices and actions

The Hindmarsh Shire Youth Councillors for 2018 are:

2018 Youth of the Year- Tha Blay Sher

West Ward - Brodie Kennedy, Elena James, Ruby James & Nan Da San Bleh Dah

North Ward - Bridie O'Halloran, Nicholas Roll, Aidan Gelligen & Jordy Leach

East Ward - Kynan Clarke, Danni Haebich & Teo Haines

For further information regarding the Hindmarsh Shire Youth Council, please contact Meg Hall, Youth & Early Years Officer, on 5391 4444 or email mhall@hindmarsh.vic.gov.au



Pictured: Bridie O'Halloran & Kynan Clarke



Pictured: Michaela YLEAD, Danni Haebich, Nicholas Roll, Teo Haines, Bridie O'Halloran, Brodie Kennedy, Jordy Leach, Ruby James, Aidan Gelligen & Kynan Clarke.



Pictured: Brodie Kennedy, Ruby James & Jordy Leach



Pictured: Aidan Gelligen, Jordy Leach, Ruby James, Brodie Kennedy & Bridie O'Halloran