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Premier's Youth Advisory Council October 2019

The Commissioner for Children and Young People Leanne McLean today welcomed the establishment of the Premier's Youth Advisory Council.

Ms McLean said the Council will comprise young people aged 12-25 and will advise the Premier and Government on matters important to them and on how to best work together to deliver positive outcomes for young Tasmanians.

"Being able to participate in the decisions which impact on them is one of the 7 key priorities identified by the almost 200 CCYP Ambassadors around Tasmania," Ms McLean said.

"Welcoming young people as experts in their own lives to the advisory table for government is good news for everyone.

"Through listening and giving due consideration to the views of young people, government policies will better reflect the views of all Tasmanians.

"The future prosperity of any society depends on our ability to foster the wellbeing of the next generation. Enabling young people to participate in the decision-making processes that impact them is a key component of their wellbeing."

Ms McLean said she knows there will be strong interest in this opportunity from young people across Tasmania.

"This is something young people have wanted for some time, and it's a credit to both the Government and the Youth Network of Tasmania for bringing it to fruition.

"As the Commissioner for Children and Young People, I look forward to the outcomes the Council and Government will deliver."