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Broome hosts National Youth Week launch

An exciting program of events for young people kicks off in Broome next week to celebrate National Youth Week.

National Youth Week 2016 runs from 8-17 April and celebrates the many contributions young people make to the community.

Broome has been selected to host the regional launch of National Youth Week on Saturday 9 April with an event at Cable Beach from 4pm, with WA Minister for Youth Tony Simpson in attendance and young people encouraged to head along for beach activities, music, dance and more.

Shire of Broome Youth and Community Development Officer, Amy Andison, said the new Youth Advisory Council would be introduced at the event and information would be available on the new Youth Framework that will guide the Shire's involvement in youth services.

"The new Youth Framework has been developed through consultation with young people and community members who live and work closely with youth," Ms Andison said.

"The Framework sets out the key priorities for young people in Broome and illustrates a vision for the outcomes and opportunities we want to see for our young people."

The Shire of Broome employs a full-time Youth and Community Development Officer, thanks to a funding agreement with Rio Tinto, who is working with young people and service providers Headspace, KAMS, Red Cross, Local Drug Action Group, Broome Youth and Families Hub, Life Without Barriers and Aarnja on an exciting program of events for National Youth Week.

In addition to the launch event these include a skate competition, young leaders' workshop, health and physical activities, outdoor movies and craft, murals and public art.

The inaugural Broome Youth Week Awards will conclude National Youth Week 2016 and recognise outstanding achievements by young people and groups, with nominations open until 4 April and the awards presented on 15 April.

For award nomination forms and more information on National Youth Week visit the Shire of Broome website at www.broome.wa.gov.au.

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