

## Media Release

### Connect and Thrive: youth in the Tweed empowered to shape their future

**Wednesday, 26 November 2025**

Young people from across the Tweed region are invited to take part in Connect and Thrive: Pathways, an event designed to equip them with the skills, confidence and opportunities to create meaningful connections and shape their future.

Delivered by the NSW Office for Youth, Connect and Thrive: Pathways is a direct response to feedback from the 2024 Your Voice, Our Future consultation and the NSW Youth Summit, where young people called for more meaningful, face-to-face engagement with government in their communities.

Targeted at young people aged 15 to 20, the event will be held on Wednesday, 26 November at the Murwillumbah Auditorium and will feature interactive workshops designed to help young people build confidence, strengthen connections, and explore real pathways to work, learning, and community life.

The event will feature three interactive sessions for young people, with each session designed to spark ideas, build confidence, and support young people to create positive change in their own lives and communities.

Zoë Robinson, NSW Advocate for Children and Young People said, “Young people in regional communities have told us they want to be seen, heard and actively involved in shaping their futures, and we’re listening.

“In Murwillumbah, we’re bringing together young people, local leaders and employers to spark real conversations and open doors to real opportunities. This is what youth engagement should look like - local, meaningful and driven by the voices of young people themselves,” she said.

Media representatives are invited to attend the Murwillumbah event, which has been designed to empower young people across the Tweed region with the skills, confidence and connections they need to shape their futures.

**Date:** Wednesday, 26 November 2025

**Location:** 10-14 Tumbulgum Road, Murwillumbah NSW 2484

**Time:** 12.45pm

To attend the Connect and Thrive event in Murwillumbah, please contact the NSW Office for Youth at [media@officeforyouth.nsw.gov.au](mailto:media@officeforyouth.nsw.gov.au)

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