Invercargill
CITY COUNCIL

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Calling all youth

The Invercargill Youth Council is on the lookout for young people to join the Invercargill Youth Council in 2015.

Community Development Manager Mary Napper said the Youth Council had existed since 1998 and acted as an advocate for young people aged between 12 and 14.

“It ensures that young people’s voices are heard by Council,” Ms Napper said.

Youth Council Member Lee Richardson, who had been on the Youth Council for two years, said he had gained a lot of personal development from it.

“You get to put your opinion in and learn and develop a lot,” Lee said.

The Youth Council meets fortnightly on a Wednesday late afternoon.

They work as a team to make good ideas a reality. The Youth Council’s goals are to:

- Engage young people in Invercargill City to have a voice in decision making.
- Ensure young people know the Youth Council exists for them to have a voice.
- Facilitate events and projects to involve young people and make our city a better and more vibrant place to live.

For more information go to Council’s website, www.icc.govt.nz or phone Ms Napper on (03) 211 1669.

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