Legislative Assembly Economy and Infrastructure Committee

Victorian youth to have their say on employment pathways

A group of young Victorians will speak directly with Members of Parliament as part of an innovative discussion for the inquiry into student pathways to in-demand industries.

The Legislative Assembly Economy and Infrastructure Committee's Youth Associates' roundtable will be broadcast live from 10:30 am this Friday 21 November 2025.

Ten young people from across the state were tasked with gathering evidence from their peers on a range of topics related to the inquiry's terms of reference.

They will present to the Committee and be questioned by MPs on their findings and insights.

Some of the matters to be raised include:

- Factors influencing student career choices
- Identifying in-demand industries
- Quality of school career development/advice
- Vocational Education and Training (VET) pathways
- Overcoming barriers to further study
- Support for students.

"This is a really exciting and important opportunity for these young Victorians who are aged from 18 through to 27," Committee Chair Alison Marchant said.

"Some are in the midst of transitioning from school, vocational education and training or higher education into the workforce, while others already have that lived experience.

"Our Committee is looking forward to hearing directly from these young people as they present on behalf of a diverse range of their peers who live in metropolitan, regional and rural areas."

Each of the Youth Associates compiled a report summarising the results of their consultations.

In addition to Friday's live broadcast a public gallery will be available at Parliament House.

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