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Invercargill Youth Council elects co-chairs

Brendan Baucke (Southland Boys' High School) and Brooke Flett (Southland Girls' High School) are the new co-chairs of the Invercargill City Youth Council, Community Development Manager Mary Napper announced today.

Ms Napper said that the two were elected by members of the 2009 Youth Council, which has 27 members from Southland Girls' High School, Southland Boys' High School and James Hargest College. The Southern Institute of Technology is also likely to have a representative on the 2009 Youth Council.

Students from all secondary schools in Invercargill are welcome on the Youth Council and are usually nominated by their schools.

Ms Napper said that the Invercargill Youth Council has invited colleagues from the Southland District and Gore District Youth Councils to a forum with staff from the Office of the Children's Commissioner in Invercargill on 22 April. The forum will discuss issues affecting young people in Southland and initiatives that could be developed.

Ms Napper said that the Youth Council would also be involved with Youth Week activities at Number 10 (the Southland Youth Health One-Stop-Shop) on Wednesday 27 May.

Ends.

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