

Calling senior high school students to join us for the Future Leaders Forum, in collaboration with the Powerhouse Castle Hill, on June 5.

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Hello there,

Welcome to our latest edition of the Climate Adaptation Newsletter.

At AdaptNSW we've long understood the importance of understanding different perspectives on adaptation. Part of this is prioritising youth voices. We know that young people are grappling with the direct impacts of climate change as well as eco-anxiety, but there has never been a more powerful, connected, and well resourced generation who are creating real change.

As part of our ongoing commitment to amplify the voices of young people, we are excited to highlight the upcoming Future Leaders Forum on 5 June at Powerhouse Castle Hill. In collaboration with Powerhouse, the event will bring together high school students from across Sydney – and will offer inspiring talks and interactive workshops, equipping students with the knowledge and skills to become climate leaders.

It's a fantastic opportunity for senior students to come together and be inspired about the future they can create together.

[Registration is free but essential.](#)

## Future Leaders Forum



## Young people leading on climate action

### From eco-anxiety to climate action



### Our future: Youth perspectives on climate change



At the 2024 AdaptNSW Forum, we heard from Natasha Abhayawickrama, Saoirse Chu and Kal Glanznig, on how they are transforming their eco-anxiety into action. This session highlights how young individuals can make a significant impact through activism, community projects, and innovative solutions.

At the 2023 AdaptNSW forum, we heard from Grace Vegesana, Dani Villafana and Will Hazza. They had a delightfully intellectual and honest conversation around youth-washing and how they are creating a world that is radically better than the one they have inherited.

[Read the article and watch the recording now.](#)

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## Adaptation in practice

The Joyality Project and Byron Youth Theatre collaborated to address eco-anxiety among young people in northern NSW. Through a two-part theatre production and a leadership program, they empowered youth to transform climate distress into positive action, fostering resilience and community.



[Read this inspiring case study.](#)

## Adaptation out there

**Explore...** New report cards and an interactive dashboard from the Biodiversity Indicator Program. Delve into these new tools which provide updated insights into habitat condition, ecosystem persistence, and biodiversity trends across the state. [Explore here.](#)

**Join...** Climate Adaptation 2025 Conference in Perth. Be part of Australia's national climate adaptation conference, hosted by the NESP Climate Systems Hub from 23–25 July 2025. Connect with others working in adaptation and contribute to the program - registrations and abstract submissions are now open. [Join here.](#)

**Listen...** Resilience: The Global Adaptation Podcast. The UN Environment Programme's Global Adaptation Network shares inspiring stories of people responding to climate change with creativity, resilience, and innovation. [Listen here.](#)

**Read...** Reconsidering the macroeconomic damage of severe warming. Learn how a recent study explored whether the interconnectedness of the global economy makes countries vulnerable to climate impacts occurring beyond their own borders. [Read more.](#)

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