

# QC to include child representatives in BCPC

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QUEZON City Mayor Herbert Bautista has approved an amendment involving the Barangay Council for the Protection of Children ( BCPC).

City Ordinance 1623- 2005, which created BCPC, primarily aims to protect children from all forms of neglect, abuse, and other conditions prejudicial to their development and to foster education, good health and nutrition, and other services necessary for child and youth welfare.

City Ordinance 2671-2018, introduced by Councilor Julienne Alyson Rae Medalla, enhances the above ordinance by adding child representatives in the members of the said council. Under the ordinance, the child representative shall serve as the delegate of the children sector; will convene a children's association within the barangay to deliberate on; be tasked to get evidence-based data and information that will substantiate the priority issues of children; and seek support from child-focused

The child representative of each barangay will be determined through election. Two delegates from each accredited organization will be able to vote and nominate their representative. Further, a representative should be aged between 10 to 15, and member of an accredited children organization in the barangay.