

DUMFRIES & GALLOWAY
YOUTH COUNCIL
ELECTIONS 2021

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LGBT YOUTH



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Anya McCreadie (Any Pronouns)
LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I CARE ABOUT:

I want to make my area more LGBTQIA+ friendly.

I would like to help raise awareness for the elderly people in our area that have been lonely during Covid.

I would like to try and help my area be not only aware of environmental issues but know how to take action and be fully educated on the topic.

I truly care about our community and the topics I would like to focus on and am willing to hear what people in our community think and the problems they have and do my best to help in any way I can.



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Edward Christie (He/Him) LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I WILL CAMPAIGN FOR:

If elected, I will try to make local young people more engaged in their council and government, to give them more say in how they live their lives.

I will campaign for better facilities for young people, with more opportunities to get active in social and sporting clubs throughout the region.

I am concerned over bullying in schools, and will work with pupils and teachers on an equal level to resolve this pressing issue, making life better for all young people.

I believe I would be a good councillor because I am an honest, hardworking person who deeply cares about our local community, and the people who form it. I want life to get better for all the young people in Dumfries and Galloway, and I know I can help with that if elected.



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Elizabeth Stevenson (She/Her)

LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I CARE ABOUT:

I will try to make the LGBTQ+ community more accepted, equality for all.

Speaking up about mental health awareness.

I have a lot of experience, for example I have been in a pupil council and I've also been a house captain as well.



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Ellie McConnachie LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



MY PRIORITIES:

- Climate Change, Recycling, Pollution
- Better Leisure Facilities and Safe Spaces
- Accessible and more Transport options

I am a very hardworking and always work to my full capability, I always try my best to succeed and I talk to everyone meaning I'm good at hearing everyone's opinions and views and helping to bring them to attention!



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Eva Szeller (She/Her)

LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I CARE ABOUT:

- spreading awareness for mental illnesses and disabilities.
- making everyone feel comfortable and healthy in our local community and making their voices be heard.
- giving young people more musical opportunities.

As a youth councillor I would try my best to make all children's voices be heard, I also feel that it is top priority to make my area a safer place while on the other hand raising awareness to the environmental issues our community is currently facing.

'We're better together!'



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Iona Cottle (She/Her) LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate

MY PRIORITIES:

I want to see more awareness of LGBT Support groups for young people, making them aware of the help and support provided in Dumfries and Galloway and how to access it. I want to see a gender neutral uniform policy introduced in every school in Dumfries and Galloway. I want to see LGBT youth to have an anonymous platform where they are able to discuss issues with gender and sexuality without the pressures of giving away their identity.

I am approachable, reliable and hardworking and want to make a difference in the lives of youth!



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Katie Cooney

LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I CARE ABOUT:

My community

Making sure young people have
their voices heard

Standing up for people

I think people should vote for me because I would like
to stand up for people who can't stand up for themselves.



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Leah Faulkner (She/Her)
LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



MY PRIORITIES:

Young people who should feel like they can talk about their feelings to someone trusted and not bottle anything up.

I will campaign to make sure young people get the help they need.

I believe I would be a good councillor because I am an honest, loyal person and anybody can trust me because trust is one of my specialities.



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Megan Nelson (She/Her)

LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



MY PRIORITIES:

- 1) To raise awareness about environmental issues in our community and ways to solve these issues
- 2) To raise awareness for disabilities and mental health issues and to improve mental health services that our community has to offer
- 3) To provide a place for young people to voice their opinions and thoughts freely and without judgement

I would be committed to giving young people a voice and to help them have a chance to better their community.

'Give the people a voice!'



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Niko Colligan
LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I WILL CAMPAIGN FOR:

I'll try my best to make things more accessible with people with additional needs.

I'll try my best to make young people with mental health issues are more heard and not so alone.

I feel I would be a good youth councillor because I don't give up and take things seriously and want young people to be heard.



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Theo Darkevica (He/They) LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I WILL CAMPAIGN FOR:

Changing the school uniform as it will allow people to show who they are more and also as people can be comfortable and confident.

I would also really like to get Beattock and Moffat more involved in environmental issues and keeping our community clean.

I would like to attempt to make the school more eco friendly and use less plastic as that will help the environment.

I believe I would be a good councillor because I am a very good listener and I also love making people happy and being able to support people and their decisions.



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Tom Paine (He/They) LGBT Youth Councillor Candidate



I WILL CAMPAIGN FOR:

- I want to reduce stigma and elevate awareness on all aspects of mental health in school environments
- I want to make more LGBTQ+ resources and safe spaces more available and well-known in schools
- I want to help make a cleaner place to live in my area.

I believe I would be a good councillor because I care a lot about young people and their feelings and wants for their communities. I am creative and am ready to take on responsibilities.



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