Candidate Information Scottish Youth Parliament



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Caitlin Mcclune Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



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@ mccluneyc21

I WANT TO:

Improve leisure and sport activities for young people in Dumfries and Galloway so they are accessible to everyone.

Make life skills a part of the school curriculum so when you leave school you have the tools to succeed not just academically.

Raise awareness of mental health and make it more accessible for young people.

I want to be an MSYP to share young people opinions and thoughts to people who can make the changes young people want for their future. I am confident, hard working and want to represent everyone views not just my own.

Cameron Greer (He/Him) Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



I WILL:

Hold the council to account for their failure to tackle the climate crisis.

Aim to make community councils youthinclusive by the end of next term.

Make sure young people have representation on council committees through their Youth Council representatives.

Over the past two years as Youth Councillor and then Member of the Scottish Youth Parliament, I've grown to be a strong representative. I refuse to be pushed aside by politicians and will always make sure my constituents' voices are heard. I'm a strong advocate for action against climate change and am very vocal about the council's failures in this area: at the meeting between the council and the Youth Council, I questioned them on why they invest £31 million in fossil fuels.

I have the required strength and determination to make sure young people are involved in key decisions and to speak up when politicians aren't doing enough.

















Ellie McConnachie Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



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- Climate Change, Recycling, Pollution
- Better Leisure Facilities and Safe

Spaces

- Accessible and more Transport options

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Erin Shannon Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



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Katie Cooney Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



I CARE ABOUT:

My community

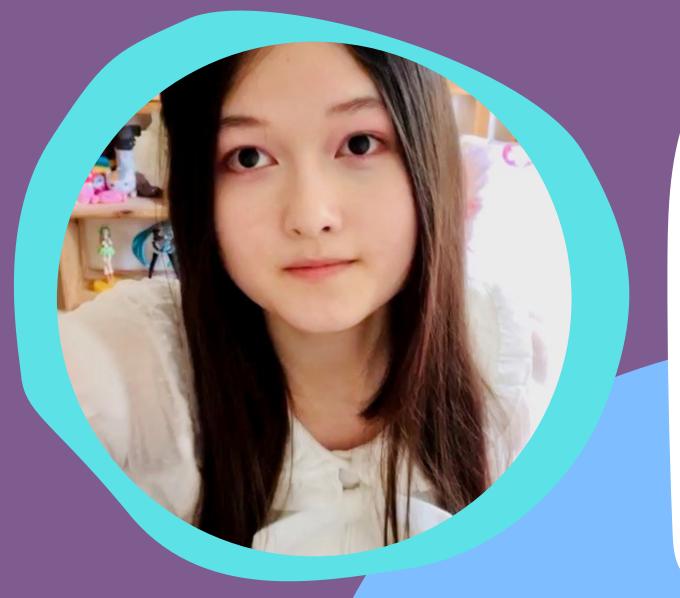
Making sure young people have their voices heard

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.



Mia Beattie (She/Her) **Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate**



I WILL:

- 1. Continue to raise awareness of mental ill health and other invisible illnesses.
- 2. Campaign for the prevention of bullying and discrimination within the community.

3. Make it easier for young people to make environmentally friendly choices in D&G.

I believe I would be a good MSYP because I have been a Ward Youth Councillor for a year and a bit, and I am so proud of all the fantastic things D&G Youth Council has achieved together, even throughout the pandemic. It would be amazing if I could continue improving my community by being reelected in this election!

@mia_beattie_yc

Mollie Grieve Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



I WILL:

Campaign to make LGBTQ+ sex education apart of PSE in schools.

Campaign to make sign language

available to learn in school.

Get more information in schools about healthy relationships.

I believe I would be a good MSYP because I'm a strong voice for LGBT people and I will strive to make a good change in the local area. I'm open minded and willing to educate myself in order to advocate for the change needed.

@molliegrieve_campaign_

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Naomi Scott (She/Her) Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



I CARE ABOUT:

More accessible bus times for people to travel places.

I also want to have better mental health services for young people in my area and training for school staff members so they can help more people.

I also want to try to include more education on hidden disabilities in schools and more support help for those pupils as I feel some kids don't get that extra help as they should.

I believe I would be a good MSYP because I am a strong, confident leader. I am always here to help and listen to people and I feel I can make a change and help young people like me!



Rhea Irving Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



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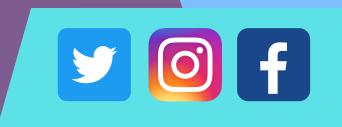
Make my community more environmentally friendly.

Improve young peoples mental health by

implementing support where I can.

Make my community more aware of the pressures young people are facing.

I feel I have the appropriate experience required of advocating for young people and demonstrating leadership skills given my role as head pupil at Langholm Academy.



Robyn Martin Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



MY PRIORITIES:

I want my area to be feel more safe for kids/teens late at night.

I want my area to be free of bullying.

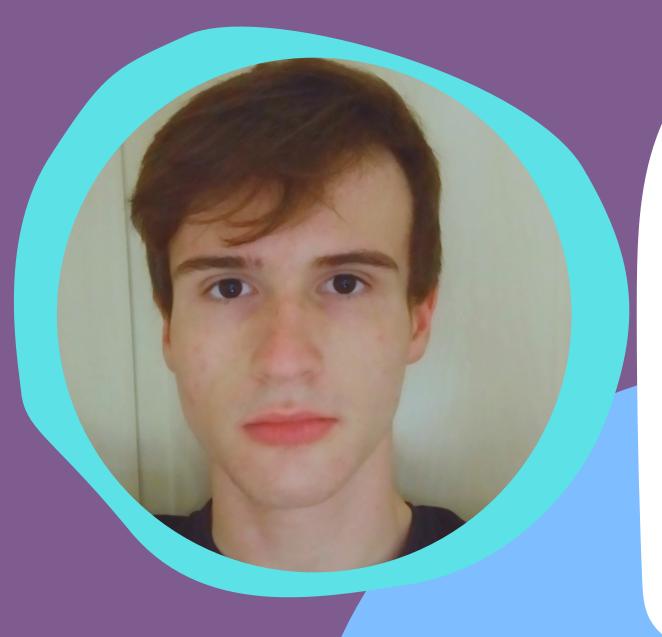
I want my area to be more mental health aware.

I think people should vote for me because everyone deserves an opportunity and I think I could do a good job.

#Everyoneiswelcome



Ryan Parke (He/Him) Dumfriesshire SYP Candidate



MY PRIORITIES ARE:

- I want to find out causes of mental health issues in youths and deal with them, so our future isn't a dark

one

- I want to make the youth more aware about the effect of leaving litter, not only because it is

dangerous for wildlife, but it is also disgusting and it is reflecting Scotland as a dump. And that is unacceptable.

- I want to campaign and increase minimum wage for Scottish young workers, us youths work for the same reason as adults. For money. So we should not be paid in scraps.

I am a confident and clear person. Over the years, from various personal experiences, I have developed the skill of charismatic leadership and I am determined to make the lives of our youth better.

