

AC1 Johann Beckford

Agenda item: E.1.10 Activist Training and Political Education Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:

Activist Training and Political Education Officer

Candidate Statement

I am passionate about making the Green Party a vehicle for social and climate justice and for the Young Greens to be a radical, campaigning force within the Party, pushing it to be better.

To do so we need to raise our collective knowledge and skills to help fight and win elections in local government, within the Party itself and for greater representation in Parliament.

The Young Greens in recent years have led the way within the green movement on upskilling activists and developing radical policy. I want to continue to build upon this legacy and increase the number of Young Greens in key positions across the Party.

In this position I would work to:

- Develop elections skills sessions, furthering the crucial work of making the Young Greens a force during election time.
- Develop campaigns skills sessions for Young Greens in universities, cities and regions across the country, not just during elections.
- Build upon the fantastic Young Greens political education sessions developed over the last two years and continue to develop links with activists within the wider green movement.
- Revive the Young Greens book club.
- Deliver an inspiring 30 under 30 scheme to train up some of our most promising activists.
- Listen to and co-produce activist training with our membership that meets our collective needs.

Since 2019, I have been a Co-Young Greens and Students Coordinator for Sheffield Green Party, giving me plenty of local party Executive experience. I have campaigned in numerous council and General Elections and last year I was part of the 30 under 30 Young Greens activist training programme. Furthermore, I have also played a key role in bringing together the Yorkshire and Humber Young Greens group.

I am now in a position to take what I have learnt at a local level to the national Young Greens Executive. I will play a constructive role within the group working to deliver a bold and radical Young Greens Executive that is responsive to members.

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Supporter 1 Name:



Local Party:
Sheffield Green Party

Rebecca Mulvaney

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

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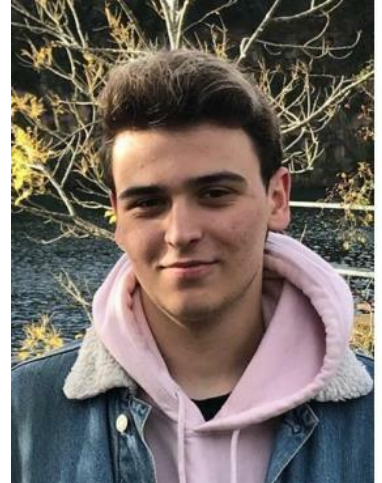
CA1 Joshua Farrell

Agenda item: E.1.6 Campaigns Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Campaigns Officer

Candidate Statement

Lockdown has had a large impact on everyone, and has presented us with new opportunities and challenges. As a result, there is a need to engage with and reenergise members who have been left exhausted by the pandemic. Whilst Zooms calls have kept us connected there have been numerous flaws, with meetings and events not being fully accessible. Now that lockdowns are easing, we have the opportunity to run events and campaigns with a new hybrid model keeping what we've learnt from lockdown and combining it with the pre-pandemic way of doing things, meaning campaigns and events will be more accessible than ever. We have the opportunity to engage with and recruit new members who are disillusioned with the current state of politics. We need to make sure that we continue our success from lockdown and produce truly intersectional campaigns that take into account a variety of voices.



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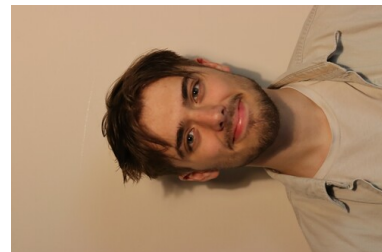
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CA2 Henry Leutner

Agenda item: E.1.6 Campaigns Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Campaigns Officer



Local Party:
Shepway (Folkestone and Hythe)

Candidate Statement

Having grown up in an off-grid eco house, I've been conscious of sustainability from a young age. Throughout my teenage years, I've become more politicised, especially since protesting in Canterbury as part of Greta Thunberg's Youth Strikes for Climate. I was inspired to see so many young people campaigning in solidarity to tackle the climate crisis for a brighter, fairer future.

Since then, I have introduced sustainability plans at work, and have made changes in my own life to combat global warming. In 2020, I joined the Green Party. This was as a result of their serious commitment to sustainability, coupled with their progressive stances on social issues.

I have since enjoyed leafletting for my local candidate in our upcoming Kent County Council elections.

I would like to apply for Young Greens' campaign officer because I can use my experience of working in social media, and campaigning on the doorstep, to help spread the word of the amazing work that greens are doing and – more importantly – can do with more votes. I'm a smart, creative thinker, and would love the opportunity to bring fresh and exciting ideas to the green cause that I'm so passionate about.

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Supporter 1 Name:
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Cheltenham

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CA4 Zac Larkham

Agenda item: E.1.6 Campaigns Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Campaigns Officer

Candidate Statement

Hi, I'm Zac and I'm standing to be the new Young Greens Campaigns Officer.

Over the past 6 months I've been leading student activism at Sheffield Hallam University. I started the rent strike at Sheffield Hallam and we joined over 50 U.K. universities to demand our landlords give us our stolen rent back. I've worked with activists across the country to organise occupations and collaborate through the Rent Strike Now network. I was also a core link to the rent strike movement for the Young Greens and spoke at our 'Students are not cash cows' online event (we even got Majid Majid to buy our occupiers pizza!).

Without the grassroots campaign I helped lead at Sheffield Hallam we would not have been able to expose the sexual harassment and assault that is endemic at our university and thousands of Hallam students wouldn't have gotten an estimated £4mil of rent money back. But I've also been involved with activism and campaigns outside of university:

- I was one of the founding members of the Mid-Sussex, Crawley & Horsham Young Greens and I ran the social media campaign for the Crawley Greens in the 2019 General Election- helping us get our best ever result
- I have organised Deliveroo workers with the IWGB Union and have helped with some organisation of Kill the Bill protests in Sheffield

After the party's best ever local election results and a pandemic that has further widened the gaps between young people and older generations, the Young Greens are in a strong position to push for the change we want to see in this country. Young people can deliver transformative change, but only when we get involved with these movements.

Running bold, ambitious campaigns that want to transform the status quo is where I think we should start. When I am elected, together we will:

- Start a national campaign to stop collaboration between universities and the fossil fuel industry- many of our universities invest or partner with fossil fuel companies and are complicit in climate breakdown. We need a national campaign led by students to stop this and make our universities behave responsibly.
- Expand the Young Green's 'get organised' campaign to include tenants union membership- The young greens already have a campaign to encourage trade union membership. the spaces young people occupy are opportunities to organise for change and housing is a great opportunity to get involved with activism and community organising. I want to encourage Young Greens not only to join tenants unions but to be active members in their tenant and trade unions. Organising at work and with other tenants enables you to stand up for yourself, builds solidarity with activists in your local community and can give new activists the essential skills and confidence to equip them to take part in future campaigns such as elections.



Local Party:
Sheffield/Mid-Sussex, Crawley & Horsham

- Work with green students and student activist groups to organise at universities and fight for a higher education system we want- The student activist scene is currently fragmented into lots of small campaigns and organisations. I've been working with lots of these groups from across the country over the past year to fight for a higher education system that works for students and staff- I will continue to make sure there is a green voice heard amongst national student organisations and their activists.
- Start an annual SU campaigns workshop- Students' Unions are a key part of university life, it's also where young people can really make change in their community but a Students' Union is only as good as its officers. We should ensure there are good officers in SUs that are prepared to take bold action and stand up against universities and encourage Young Greens. This year the young greens supported a small group of candidates, including myself, who wanted to be elected as SU officers and this great work should be supported and continued in future years.

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Mid-Sussex, Crawley & Horsham

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yes

CC1 Henry Gemmell

Agenda item: E.1.1 Executive Committee Co-Chair (x2)

Which role are you applying for?:
Executive Committee Co-Chair

Candidate Statement

I am the enthusiastic, dedicated, just leader you are looking for.

To begin, I am passionate about campaigning and democracy. This is shown by my wealth of experience promoting and representing communities, first for the Labour Party as High Peak Youth Officer in 2017-2019 and then as an active volunteer for London Greens since January 2020. Moreover, I regularly makes positive and constructive decisions on structure and direction for many people thanks to my current roles as a Co-Chair of Wild Forest Theatre and as a teacher. I am eager to make an impact that is helpful to create a fairer future. This is demonstrated most recently by how I proactively participated in the art charity Tender's anti-racism campaign where I created material that promoted awareness of the intersections between race and disability that block a person's ability to report abuse.

As a person, I am affable and a good listener, making it very easy for me to connect with anyone, including those who have different viewpoints to mine. Yet, I always have a moral standard I stick to: my aim is to fight for equity, not just equality, so I will never be a doormat for injustice to walk over. I will be able to combine my approachable and determined personality with all of my experience leading and campaigning to the role of Co-Chair.

Vote for me, because I am the candidate that you can rely on.

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Supporter 2 Name:

Robyn Summers

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Local Party:
Islington

CC2 Jane Baston

Agenda item: E.1.1 Executive Committee Co-Chair (x2)

Which role are you applying for?:
Executive Committee Co-Chair

Candidate Statement

The government might have opened up clubs and restaurants again but our Tories leaders are still determined to keep the doors closed on the radical change that we need. Constant attacks on all avenues of our society are undermining our ability to avert the climate catastrophe and build a stronger social movement.

We need to revitalise our campaigns for robust democracy, for supportive social and health care, and strong resistance to those who are profiting from exploiting the planet. We have to strengthen our support for an anti-capitalist society, our support for trans rights, and our support for marginalised communities. We have the evidence to show that we move away from the five day working week and introduce even more radical eco-socialist policies.

Recent months have only demonstrated how young people are exploited - in our education system, in our rights as workers, and in our ability to participate in democracy. The current agenda set out by Westminster shows that they are not going to move away from our entrenched system, only seeking to strengthen them and hold onto their power.

The next year is going to be vital for our recovery from the pandemic and to take the action we need to stop climate breakdown. The Young Greens are one of the only voices on the left that are speaking up for radical solutions and bringing about change. That's why I'm standing for Young Greens Co-Chair.

Over the past year I've been the Green Students Committee Co-convenor. Alongside the committee I've been leading on working to increase the support of our student societies. We've been building our student movement to fight back against the marketisation of education by creating links with our societies and local groups. I've led the Building Group Power events that are designed to bring together our local activists across the country to create a strong activist group. I've also been involved with the Yorkshire and Humber Young Greens over the past six months and am organising with the York Young Greens.

Outside of the Young Greens I've been a Sabbatical Officer at the University of York's Graduate Students' Association for two years. Throughout the pandemic I've worked across a large team, built my negotiation skills and worked to ensure that we've got the best possible outcomes for postgraduate students at York. I have built strong campaigning skills and learned to support others in their campaigns by working with our Academic Reps and Part-Time Officers. I have training in Chairing and Facilitating Meetings, and I've been a strong voice within my Union and wider community to ensure that our members are at the heart of all decisions. I know how to lead teams, work across different communities and provide support and guidance on a wide range of matters.



Local Party:
York

The Young Greens are a key part of the movement to build a more radical society. Young people should be a vital part of that. Here's some of what I want to do as Young Greens Co-chair:

- Bringing all of our activists, local, university, regional and liberation groups together to build and launch strong campaigns and strategies that give voice to our communities.
- Creating campaigns that centre youth voices and speak powerfully on important issues and change that the Young Greens want to see.
- Continuing Building Group Power events to provide training, connections, and campaigns support for local groups and societies.
- Revitalising Regional Committees with targeted training and support that focuses the needs of the different regions.
- Working to get even more Young Green Councillors elected and creating support for our current Young Green Councillors.
- Standing in solidarity with Trade Unions and encouraging trade union membership in young people.
- Looking towards the future to develop a long-term strategy to bring the Young Greens to the forefront of the left wing youth voice.

I want to use my experience and knowledge to empower the Young Greens and I hope you'll vote for me for Young Greens Co-Chair.

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Oxford

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CC3 Kelsey Trevett

Agenda item: E.1.1 Executive Committee Co-Chair (x2)

Which role are you applying for?:
Executive Committee Co-Chair

Candidate Statement

As we emerge from the coronavirus pandemic, one thing is clear: the crisis is far from over. A broken system of neoliberal capitalism continues to prioritise profit over people and planet, whilst politicians gamble away our future to maintain power, at the expense of justice, equality, and our rights. Attacks on our democracy, and on the rights of traditionally-oppressed groups, are a daily occurrence, a weak opposition sliding further and further to the right serving as no threat, or means of accountability, to a government hurtling towards radical far-right populism. Boris' "build back better" rhetoric is fooling no one: "build back better" for the rich, for the privileged, for the Tories and their mates.

But there is hope. Young people have been exploited at every turn of the pandemic, bringing to light the stark injustices which have existed for years, and we're fighting back. Now, more than ever, there is a space on the left for young people to stand up and take action for our future, and it is time for the Young Greens of England and Wales to fill it. With a radical vision for youth politics, we can build solidarity, mobilise young people and students across the country, and deliver meaningful change for a sustainable, fair, and democratic future. Unapologetically anticapitalist, unwaveringly eco-socialist, and the loudest, most effective voice on the left for youth and students, it's time to put the fantastic work of past Executive Committees in engaging and educating hundreds of activists to use, and to mobilise around our shared vision.

I'm Kelsey, and I believe I can lead the Young Greens to deliver the change we so desperately need.

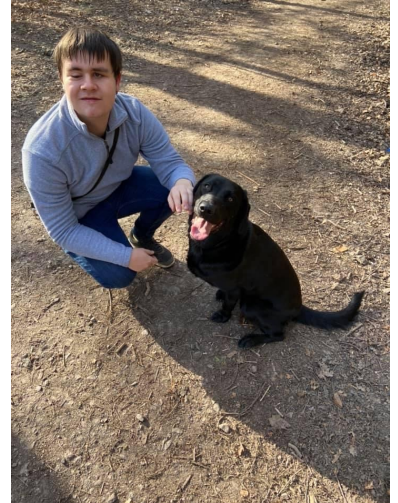
This year, on the Young Greens EC, I have led on the relaunching of the Young Greens liberation groups, working to promote the voices that are so often overlooked, and reaching out further into the Green Party to work with liberation groups to increase education and advance our party's policy on trans rights, and in defining forms of discrimination.

I have a background in campaigning: representing visually impaired students in the campaign for equal education for disabled students; running an awareness campaign to improve inclusivity within the green Party's internal democracy; organising local protests as part of the Youth Strikes in 2019. I have fought for the rights of students, chairing a student union during my two years at college, and now working under the portfolio of ethics & environment at university.

Proactivity in Agenda Setting

Defund the Police; Divestment in our universities; Deliver radical education and support for activists to resist neoliberalism

We can deliver transformative change, fighting for the rights of all young people and students with grassroots campaigns. We don't need the Tories or the right-wing media to set our agenda – we can, and must, do that ourselves. Whether it's campaigning to defund the police, to force universities to divest from fossil fuel companies, or to defeat the Police, Courts, and Sentencing bill which threatens



Local Party:
Oxford Green Party

our democratic rights,, and Traveller communities, we will take a proactive approach to delivering change.

Solidarity

Strengthen our liberation groups, ensuring autonomy and capacity; Support the rent strike movement as a powerful grassroots force for student activism; Develop links with trade unions to push for a just transition

We must continue to be a powerful force in standing up for the rights of traditionally-marginalised groups, acting in solidarity, and creating a safe space to develop intersectional approaches to liberation, directed always by our liberation groups. There is no space for discrimination on any grounds within or beyond our movement, and we will take an unequivocally strong stance in support of those whose rights and freedoms are oppressed by structural inequalities in our society.

Looking Ahead

Create a five-year political and organisational plan

Let's create a five year plan: a political and organisational strategy to propel our agenda forward. Thousands of young people feel disenfranchised by a Labour Party hurtling away from socialism; a political strategy will solidify our position as the party of the left for young people and students, and will create a well-connected network of activists across the country, who have the support to run campaigns and engage in national strategy, and the autonomy to grow their membership, increase local presence, and tackle local issues.

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Matthew Hull

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Camden Green Party

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CC4 Alperen Acik

Proposer: Mehmet Alperen Acik (South East London)

Agenda item: E.1.1 Executive Committee Co-Chair (x2)

Which role are you applying for?:
Executive Committee Co-Chair

Candidate Statement

Hi all, My name is Alperen Acik- I am from East London and I am now announcing my candidacy for the Co-Chair elections of the Young Greens.

A Vote for Alperen is a vote for a New Greener Generation.

Here is how I will reform our movement:

- Increasing community organisation efforts through a larger and more organised activist base.
- More media presence in order to push against the corporate-establishment narratives on the climate crisis.
- A more active executive committee that puts plans raised by members into motion and sees proposals through.
- Increasing accountability of elected Young Greens officials in order to streamline our executive.
- Focusing on educational campaigns around Proportional Representations (PR) at the community level to push electoral-reform
- Pushing membership of the Green Party into the vogue for young climate activists.
- Amplifying voices in the movement through bigger and more frequent conventions for members and the public alike.
- Inclusion of the various eco-activism movements within the Young Greens to unite our resources.
- Our Non-Environmental policies must also be pushed to the public to show that the Greens are fit for government.

My beliefs on the climate are like yours and follow the party line. I believe that

- Non-specific and distant targets like 'Carbon Neutrality 'by 2050' as being performative, unhelpful, useless and in need of radical change.
- That investment in wind farms on the North Sea and subsidisation of solar power is necessary for a post-fossil fuel energy grind.
- Furthermore, private companies must be a vital part of the solution to Climate Change with the UK leading the world in Green Innovation.
- Incentives must be placed for reducing energy waste in commercial property and UK industry.
- I fully endorse and back the People's Vote Bill and a closer relationship with the EU.
- I agree with the Green New Deal bill and think it should go farther and be more radical.



Local Party:
Young Greens of England and Wales

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Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Young Greens of England and Wales

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Yes

CC5 Patrick McAllister

Agenda item: E.1.1 Executive Committee Co-Chair (x2)

Status: Withdrawn

Which role are you applying for?:
Executive Committee Co-Chair

Candidate Statement

I have been involved with the Green Party since the 2019 General Election, when I joined the Bristol campaign. I now serve as co-Chair of the Bristol Young Greens – a role I hope to be re-elected to – and on the managing committees of the Bristol Green Party. I even stood as a candidate in the recent elections, where Bristol achieved the largest Greencouncillor group ever. I have also been part of the effort to establish the South-West Young Greens and look forward to continuing this work in the future. At university, reading Geographical Sciences gave me an in-depth knowledge of the scale of the climate emergency and the essentiality of green policies, and I was responsible for managing events and five-figure budgets at a student society level. I believe this is all very relevant experience for the role of Young Greens Co-Chair.

If elected, my primary aim will be maintaining and creating more local youth activist groups by engaging with students and young people across the country – I know first-hand the impact of organised young Greens on a campaign. By supporting local Young Green societies, we can help young people everywhere make their voices count and their votes matter.

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Local Party:
Bristol Green Party

DAC1 Ashley Routh

Agenda item: E.2.1. Democracy and Accountability Committee Member (x5)

Which role are you applying for?:

DAC Member

Candidate Statement

Hi, I'm Ash, I'm the co-chair of LGBTIQ+ Young Greens, and the former chair of Sheffield University Young Greens. I've been active in the party for years, as well as being a former local councillor, NUS representative, Student's Union councillor, and Student's Union Part Time Officer. I've got buckets of experience writing, amending and interpreting constitutional documents, I'm responsive and enthusiastic, and I've never held a Young Greens committee role before, which I think makes me well placed for a role on the democracy and accountability committee, where impartiality is key.



Local Party:
Sheffield

I'm a young green for a few more years, by virtue of being a full time student, and I'd love the opportunity to use that time to be able to give something back to the Young Greens, who I think are the greatest campaigning force in the party, and who have supported me to no end through my first decade as a party member.

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Billy Wassell

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

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DAC2 Joshua Morris-Blake

Agenda item: E.2.1. Democracy and Accountability Committee Member (x5)

Which role are you applying for?:

Democracy and Accountability Committee

Candidate Statement

Let's be honest. The Green Party's governance and accountability processes kind of suck. Like, seriously, they are a goddamn mess and have been detrimental to the Party developing into a radical AND serious political force that it needs to be in the 21st century. However, the Young Greens have been leading by example and continue to go from strength-to-strength, thanks in part to a dedicated Democracy and Accountability Committee (DAC) which has strengthened and maintained our Constitution and Standing Orders, enabling the EC to pursue their ambitious agendas in a democratic manner without the uncertainty and... sloppiness of the Green Party. This year I am very eager to continue the great work the DAC have done over the past 12 months and allow our exciting organisation to explode. In a good way.



Local Party:
Brighton and Hove Green Party

This past year, I have served on the Under 18 Young Greens committee (attending weekly meetings), and from scratch I have helped us to develop some solid infrastructure for next year's committee to build on (social media accounts, a Slack channel and an Action Network mailing list) and run world-famous petitions from Votes at 16 to free bus travel for Under 18s. My proudest achievement of the year, however, was organising the Committees' first ever live event, 'Young People and COP 26' with speakers from MockCOP, FFF Digital and the UKYCC, and attendees from Canada to Turkey. These actions have been immensely rewarding and I'd love to be able to continue to provide a practical hand to the Young Greens over the next year through the DAC. My time on the Under 18 Young Greens committee has also highlighted to me the importance of Liberation and Special Interest Groups in our organisation, and so as a member of the DAC I would ensure that these Groups are always consulted fairly by the EC before key decisions are made which directly relate to their oppression as a marginalised group.

A key responsibility of the DAC is to run the internal elections of the Young Greens. That means dealing with voting systems. And I love voting systems. So much so that on the side I run a small project called Proportional Representation Now (see link below) where I make some bang-average graphics to do with different voting systems, including a comprehensive profile of every country's voting systems for their different legislatures. I hope this exemplifies the peak nerdiness that I will bring to the DAC if I'm fortunate enough to be elected!

So, if you want a DAC member to enthusiastically embrace the challenges of holding the EC to account, empowering Liberation and Special Interest Groups and running internal elections (all whilst putting the Green Party's respective processes to shame... 😊) then I hope you'll consider voting for me as your 1st preference for the DAC. Merci.

PS - I have, and I will continue to, "READ THE STANDING ORDERS".

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Young People and COP26 - YouTube

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Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

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DAC3 Dan Taylor

Agenda item: E.2.1. Democracy and Accountability Committee Member (x5)

Which role are you applying for?:

Democracy and Accountability Committee Member

Candidate Statement

My name is Dan Taylor and I am standing to become a member of the Young Greens Democracy and Accountability Committee (DAC) because I believe democracy is key to environmental and social justice.

I have been a Green Party voter since I became old enough to vote, and a member for several years, however I wish to become a more active member of the party. In recent years increasing numbers of young people have risen up to demand change, and as the Young Greens we have a vital role to play in providing a voice for a better future, in a transparent and inclusive manner.

I currently help to manage the social media channels for my regional party, and have really enjoyed being part of a like-minded team of Greens, as well as contributing to promoting the great work our local Greens do. I have a postgraduate degree in Environment, Development and Politics, within which I studied democracy and authoritarianism, and this is knowledge which I would be really excited to bring to the DAC.

If elected, I would strive to:

- Build on the fantastic work of the existing DAC to consolidate our democratic processes, ensuring they are transparent and inclusive at all stages, acting to implement changes on behalf of those who voted at convention.
- Bring knowledge from my postgraduate degree to challenge existing practices, ensuring our elected members are upholding the constitution and are fully accountable.
- Actively promote the work of the DAC, by championing what we do and how we go about it, encouraging wider engagement with our democratic processes from the vibrant Young Green community.

I am really excited by this opportunity and would be delighted to work for you, the Young Greens, to ensure our fight for social and environmental justice continues to be built upon democratic and fully accountable foundations.

Dan Taylor

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Local Party:
Birmingham Green Party

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South Shropshire Green Party

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DAC4 Billy Wassell

Agenda item: E.2.1. Democracy and Accountability Committee Member (x5)

Which role are you applying for?:

DAC

Candidate Statement

I am running to be a member of the Democratic and Accountability Committee this year after spending the last year as one of the Green Students Committee co-covenantors.



Local Party:
Cheltenham Green Party

Why I am suitable for the role

- As student trustee of my SU, I've had experience with constitutions and by-laws. I am currently part of the working group that is re-writing my SU's constitution. I am also part of the Governance sub-committee. These roles have provided me with invaluable experience in upholding constitutions and undertaking scrutiny of elected officials as well as giving me an in-depth insight into governance structures and constitutional know-how.
- Having been part of the Young Green Executive this past year, I have become well accustomed to our Constitution which will enable me to uphold and make rulings on it effectively.
- Through co-covenanting the Green Students committee over the past year, I'm well accustomed to organising a committee as well as chairing committee meetings which stands me in good stead if I were to be nominated as DAC chair.
- I've been a part of a Green Party working group so I also understand the process of policy development and what makes a good policy. This will be valuable in supporting the membership in creating policies at our conferences.

My goals if elected

- My first and foremost priority if elected is to ensure the Young Greens Executive are held accountable and are acting within the Constitution. This is to make sure those making decisions are doing so fairly and representatively.
- One of my main goals if elected is to get more members engaged in Young Green democracy and to see more members attend our democracy sessions. Young people usually turn off democracy and think it's dry but I think I have the creativity and the energy to get members participating in our democratic processes. Whether that's making democracy sessions more relaxed and fun or through DAC and the Young Greens Exec creating an effective social media plan informing members of how important membership engagement is for the prosperity of Young Greens' democracy.

Twitter:

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Supporter 1 Name:

Jane Baston

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

York Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Isobel Browne-Wilkinson

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Bristol Green Party

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Yes

DAC5 Isaac Searle

Agenda item: E.2.1. Democracy and Accountability Committee Member (x5)

Which role are you applying for?:

DAC Member



Local Party:
Stratford-on-Avon District

Candidate Statement

As we move forwards out of the Coronavirus, we need to ensure that the Young Greens can move from strength to strength with bold, progressive leadership.

Over the past two years, I've been fortunate enough to be part of this movement as Co-Chair and then Chair of this Committee, ensuring that we have strong grassroots, member-led democratic accountability structures. I've been sure to hold our elected representatives to account at every stage, making sure that the Constitution and Standing Orders are followed and respected at all levels.

Over the next year, I would love to work with the rest of the Democracy and Accountability Committee to strengthen our structures, whilst working with our fantastic Liberation Groups and Executive Committee to build momentum for internal democracy and our grassroots movement!

I've attended the vast majority of Executive Committee meetings this year, to ensure strong connections between the committees, and have facilitated the running of the December Emergency General Meeting, and quarterly accountability and report sessions. Plus, I've worked hard with the rest of DAC to facilitate the running of this really exciting Convention and Annual General Meeting 2021!

With my substantial previous experience on the Committee, I think I'm really well placed to build the power of this movement through our grassroots structures, ensuring all members are supported to have their say.

If elected, I can't wait to get going in the next term!

Isaac

Twitter:

@IsaacGSearle

Supporter 1 Name:

Annie Prins

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Solihull

Supporter 2 Name:

Sarah Sharp

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Oxford

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Yes

DC1 Isobel Browne-Wilkinson

Agenda item: E.1.4 Digital Communications Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:

Digital Communications Officer



Local Party:
Bristol Green Party

Candidate Statement

The role of Young Greens Communications officer has so much potential to effect change, educate and inspire young greens as well as introduce like-minded people around the country into the YG community. I would be delighted to take on this post as I feel I can bring energy and aptitude to the role and will continue to develop the work I have done as YG Comms officer for the last 4 months.

Part of the role I believe is to inspire and push for change while highlighting our values, such as ending austerity and privatisation, fighting for global justice and winning a radical Green New deal (to name a few). The comms that are produced should be driving the radical politics that the Young Greens are working towards within the Green Party. Intertwined within this it is essential that the wider YG community hears the voices, actions and achievements made within the YG's to fight climate change, bring social justice and support the wider Green Party. After the success of the Local elections, it is clear that the Green Party is growing. I want to build and highlight the success within our community, by presenting the work that our volunteers and councillors are doing, bringing inspiration to our social media comms.

I am currently sitting on the Young Green Womxn committee, as well as the Green Party Women Committee, both of which have given me much experience in leading and working with a team, whilst developing effective ideas for climate and social justice. As Digital communications officer I would want to:

- Build on the work I have done in the role over the last four months to create engaging material for our Young Green platforms.
- Carry out surveys on best-performing posts in order to build engagement and create an effective social media plan for the coming years.
- Work collaboratively with the EC, Liberation groups, and Young Green Community to create effective and reactive content as well as developing our messaging ideas.

Working with the EC, liberation groups and regional groups, comms has the capacity to motivate many young people to join our movement, and I would love to be part of the driving force behind that. I would be honoured to contribute to the EC, and assist the YG community that I am proud to be a part of.

Twitter:

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Supporter 1 Name:

Sarah Sharp

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Oxford Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Billy Wassell

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Cheltenham Green Party

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Yes

DI1 Neve Fields

Agenda item: E.1.11 Disability Liberation Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:

Young Greens Disability Group Liberation Officer

Local Party:

Loughborough and North West
Leicestershire

Candidate Statement

The events of the past few years have shown just how crucial it is to have not only progressive and radical, but also marginalised voices within wider politics and the party. Now, more than ever, there is an increasing awareness of the vital need for social and environmental justice.

I am standing for the position of the Disability Group Liberation Officer as amplifying the voices of disabled young greens is crucial for the promotion of equality, diversity and inclusion within the young greens. I believe that I can contribute to this as part of the Young Greens exec as a liberation officer.

If elected as the Disability Group Liberation officer I would:

- Be committed to amplifying disabled voices within the young greens
- Improve the accessibility of all young greens content, campaigns and events
- Work towards establishing a fully functioning and self-sufficient Young Greens Disability Group
- Work alongside the young greens disability group to encourage increased involvement and visibility of disabled young greens within the party

I have been an active member of the young greens since joining the party in December 2019 and I believe that I have the experience needed to successfully fulfil this role. For example:

- This year I have been the Co-Chair of the Young Greens Disability Group which has provided me an insight into the importance of, and current issues with, EDI and accessibility both within the party and in wider society. I will utilise the knowledge I have gained from undertaking this role to strive to represent and improve the experience of disabled young greens.
- I have also been the Membership officer for the Midlands young greens providing me with an opportunity to learn about and work within the party on a regional and national scale.
- I took part in the 30 Under 30 Young Greens Training program in 2020 gaining invaluable knowledge and skills surrounding green party policies, organising, campaigning and training. I will draw upon the abundance of knowledge and skills gained from the programme within the role in order to improve the experiences of marginalised members of the Young Greens.
- Additionally, for the last year I have been the disability officer for my students union and within this role I have launched campaigns, planned and held events, put together and held disability awareness training sessions and have pushed for increased accessibility in high level meetings within my union and uni. This role has given me a wealth of experience and organising skills which I will be able to utilise to contribute to the Young Greens exec.

Recent discourse surrounding EDI and accessibility within the party is very encouraging, but we still have a long way to go. I believe that I have the experience, drive and passion to successfully undertake the role of the Disability Group Liberation officer.

Thank you for reading my statement and I hope you consider voting for me as your Disability Group Liberation officer.

Supporter 1 Name:

Kate Benson

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Manchester Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Isobel Wallis

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Bournemouth, Christchurch & Poole Green Party

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yes

ED1 Kieran Dams

Agenda item: E.1.9 Equality and Diversity Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Equality and Diversity Officer

Candidate Statement

The Green Party. The movement of equality and Hope. The Young Greens are proudly diverse and Forward-thinking.

We are the Party of the future so need to make sure we are doing everything we can to promote the representation of minorities. This is what I will do. I will work with all liberation groups to make sure all voices are heard and that our proud movement is accessible to everyone.

Dear Trans community,

I wanted to take a moment to talk directly to you. I have to say I am not satisfied with many actions within the Green Party when it comes to representing the Trans community. So I will make this pledge, I will continue to take on those who are failing you - I will stand up for all Young Green trans members and make your voice heard. I will not be afraid to say how it is when we fail. Change is possible and the fight is long but I will never give up and in me, you will always have a voice. Kieran

Dear the BAME community

I am a white man so my whole life has been seen through white privilege and while I haven't gone through many experiences you will have faced, I can say this. In me, you will always have someone ready to listen and work with you to support the BLM movement or any anti-racism movement. You will always find me ready to learn and listen to the experiences you have faced. If you are ever unhappy with anything happening in the Young Greens I will be there ready to challenge it. I will not stop till every voice is represented. I want to learn and change things. Kieran.

Dear the LGBT+ community

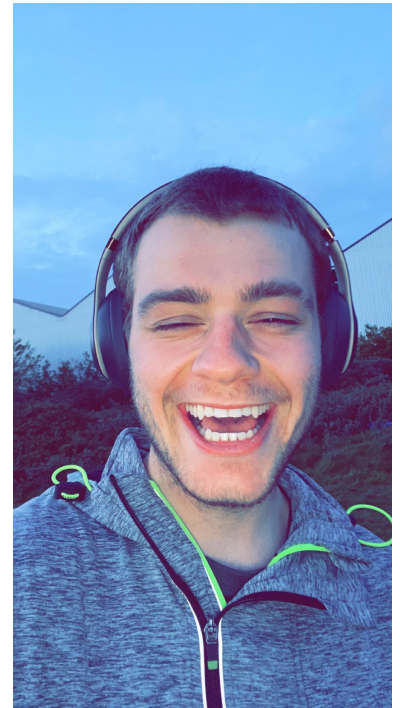
Our community is proud and being the voice of us in the young Greens would be an honour. I see the homophobia we face daily. It's in the comments I get in the street when holding my partner's hand or the dirty looks I get for simply being me. While the fight in society is still being fought, I want the Young Greens to be a safe space for all. I want to work together with you to make this happen. We can be the demonstration of what we want society to be like. Open, Tolerant, and proud

See you at pride

Dear those who have disabilities

The young Greens must be accessible to all, and this is what I will make sure we are. If elected I will listen and make the Young Greens a place where everyone is enabled to do what they want. Your voice is so important to the Future of the Greens and I will make sure you are at the heart of what I do. It's time we looked at everyone's abilities and used them to bring us closer to power.

If you want a proud voice.



Local Party:
Sefton

Vote Kieran Dams.

Twitter:

damsyboi

Supporter 1 Name:

Finn Tohill

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Sefton

Supporter 2 Name:

Stu Ritchie

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Sheffield

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Yes

ED2 Megan Poppy Lloyd

Agenda item: E.1.9 Equality and Diversity Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Equality and Diversity Officer



Local Party:
Neath

Candidate Statement

Having joined the Green Party in August 2019, I have consecutively stood in the 2019 UK General Election, a town council by-election where I came 56 votes short of beating labour and then stood in the 2021 Senedd campaign as not only GP candidate for Neath but had the honor to be internally elected at lead list candidate for South Wales West Region. I am also my local party contact and take great joy in canvassing, phone banking and meeting and introducing new members.

I'm applying for the role as E.1.9 as I have constantly and openly campaigned as a proud member of the LGBTQI+ and a proud Neurodivergent (dyslexic/dyspraxic). I also grew up in a family of care givers to people from pretty much every walk of life and hope that I could bring real passion and dedication to the role. I like to hope that my people skills and enthusiasm would also be vital in organising and activation for the new liberation groups.

Twitter:
@meganpoppylloyd

Supporter 1 Name:
Kat Driscoll
Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:
Carmarthenshire
Supporter 2 Name:
Rosie Rawle
Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:
Oxford

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Yes

EL1 Daron Coaker

Agenda item: E.1.3 Elections Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Elections Officer

Candidate Statement

I am extremely keen to take on the role of Elections Officer for the Young Greens Executive Committee so that I can continue with the work that I have been doing for the last year, both on the Green Students Committee and as coordinator for Brighton & Hove Young Green's.

Its super exciting for me to see the Young Greens having the power to influence elections all over the country and I see this role as a way that I can continue to contribute towards the organisation and mobilisation of this energy and desire among young people at the moment to get involved in green politics. If I can help in any way to harness and organise that energy then I'd love to offer my services.

Having joined only the party at the beginning of 2019, I jumped in at the deep end and become active in as many ways as possible. From canvassing in my first few weeks to representing the party at Sussex University's Student Hustings during the 2019 general election. Outside of the party, I am close to completing my master's and currently I am writing my dissertation on how we can recognise the environment as a subject of international law. I have also been working as a paralegal alongside my studies, which hopefully goes some way to demonstrating my level of organisation, management and communication ability.

On the Green Students Committee, I have gained a valuable insight into the running of the Young Greens Exec which would enable me to hit the ground running and continue the great work of the previous Exec should I be elected, as well as having a good relationship with some who may continue into next year. While on the GSC I have been involved reigniting a part of the Young Greens that had sadly become a bit inactive and have laid the foundations for green students to come together and share resources and ideas, as well as support each other. We have also spent a great deal of effort raising awareness within the party of issues that matter specifically to students through our social media presence. All work which I look forward to seeing develop with the next GSC.

As already mentioned, I have also been running Brighton & Hove Young Greens for over a year, organising our AGM, running a series of online events including one with Caroline Lucas, helping with the organisation of a recent members meeting with NUS president Larissa Kennedy, assisting the rent strikers with bringing a deputation to the local council and bringing a successful motion on behalf of our group to the B&H members meeting last July which reaffirmed the local party's commitment to putting young people first and providing them with a platform to make their voices heard. In this time I have also been our representative on the B&H Exec and chaired a B&H members meeting in which we hosted the Sussex Rent Strikers. I also assisted in campaign strategy meetings for the recent by-elections in Brighton & Hove and helped on the ground in Oxford to assist two young greens in getting elected.



Local Party:
Oxford / Brighton

I hope that this experience, as well as the desire that I have to help get more young greens elected demonstrates why I would be a great choice for Elections Officer, and I very much look forward to the opportunity. Thank you for taking the time to read my statement.

Twitter:

@DaronOriginal

Supporter 1 Name:

Rosie Rawle

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Oxford

Supporter 2 Name:

Jane Baston

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

York

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Yes

EL2 Frank Adlington-Stringer

Agenda item: E.1.3 Elections Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Elections Officer

Candidate Statement

I am a Parish Councillor and a 2019 graduate of Green Party Campaign School. I have spent the last year finishing my Politics and International Relations degree, whilst also running my own Target to Win and Breakthrough 2021 campaign in Derbyshire. In a Conservative stronghold, against the leader of the County Council, we went from a standing start to 2nd place in just under a year of campaigning. I know that I am not alone and that across the country there are many young activists working hard on their campaigns and delivering fantastic results. I am seeking election to the role of Campaigns Officer in order to bring us together. As someone who has run election campaigns at local and national levels, all whilst writing essays, working a job, seeing family and friends and battling to find time for all else that life has to offer, I know just how hard it is. I also know that as Young Greens we are committed, and passionate about making a difference locally. Somehow we manage to balance everything and make it all work. If elected as your Campaigns Officer, I will work to harness our collective energy and passion. To bring us together, not just at election time but all year round. I will create channels for us to share our knowledge, experiences and allow for greater support. Networks which not only provide assistance in the form of action days, retweeting and idea sharing but also in terms of mental health. I want us to support Young Green candidates by creating a space in which we can relate to one another and utilise in order to keep our minds, and therefore our campaigns, healthy and happy. We are all in the same boat but, we are unfortunately disconnected. I will build a clearer process for candidates and their campaigns which sets out a path to Young Green funding and ensures that crowdfunder and other forms of support are set up well in advance of election time. It is important to me that we have an overarching and coherent system which is effective in bringing us together and empowering us to achieve the best that we can. We are all working hard across the country to make a difference and ensure success locally but, I believe that the Young Greens can do more. If you elect me as your Campaigns Officer I will do all I can to enact that change. I know that we can build something stronger and I am excited to make that a reality.



Local Party:
Derbyshire Green Party

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/frank.adlingtonstringer>

Twitter:

<https://twitter.com/Frankadlingtons>

Instagram:

<https://www.instagram.com/frankadlingtons/>

Website:

<https://frankadlington.wixsite.com/campaignsofficer>

Supporter 1 Name:

Emily Main

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Derbyshire Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Christabel Holland

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Derbyshire Green Party

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Yes

EV1 Kate Benson / Charlotte Donovan JOB SHARE

Agenda item: E.1.7 Events Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Events Officer

Candidate Statement

Coming off the back of record breaking results at the local elections, the Green Party is undergoing a huge resurgence in popularity with young people. As Young Greens, it's up to us to take advantage of this. Personally, we know some of our most inspiring interactions in the Green Party have been through meeting other passionate Young Greens in person, so after more than a year of being restricted to online activities, offline events when it is safe to hold them will be a key tool in mobilising as many people as we can.

It is this belief in the importance of events as a means of developing a thriving Young Greens community that underpins our motivation to run for Events Officer together, a role which we believe we have the necessary experience to deliver in.

Our experience

Since 2018 we've been co-chairs of Manchester Young Greens. Starting out as just the two of us, we have overseen Manchester Young Green membership and engagement grow exponentially to become a dynamic, active and sustainable group.

Delivering effective and engaging events has been crucial to our growth, and we believe our skills and experience developed through executing these events can be translated to larger, national scale events. We have organised successful talks, workshops and socials both online and offline, such as in October 2019 our in-person event with Amelia Womack at the University of Manchester which attracted more than 50 attendees, and our October 2020 online event with Sian Berry which similarly received extensive positive feedback.

We have been active members of the Young Greens nationally for a similar length of time to our Manchester involvement and have seen what great events can look like, between us having attended several online and offline conventions as well as Action Days and 30u30 training events.

We've also previously been involved with the North West Young Greens and sit on our local Manchester Green Party as Young Greens Officers.

Our priorities

- We've seen first-hand the disparity in Young Greens groups in the North West versus London and the South East, so want to work closely with existing and new contacts in regional groups to create events that are accessible and local to Young Greens who haven't had that the chance to attend them before
- We will work closely with newly elected Liberation Officers to ensure accessibility is at the heart of every event we organise, from venue and location choice, to materials and cost.
- Having both been heavily involved in the campaign to win Manchester's first Green councillor since 2008 we understand the work it takes to win elections, and would therefore collaborate



Local Party:
Manchester / Manchester

closely with the Elections Officer to ensure our Action Days are the biggest and most effective they can be

- We have both been able to attend some of the excellent 30u30 training events in-person and online this year, so we would work with the Activist Training and Political Education officer to ensure as many people as possible get to experience the training events ran online this year in person to build the next generation of Young Green leadership
- Finally, after more than a year of online events, we want to make the 2022 Convention the biggest ever, with a record number of attendees and huge range of inspiring talks and workshops.

With the Labour leadership's weak version of centrism and compromise there has never been a better time for the Young Greens to seize the chance to mobilise and engage young people across the country with our radical, socialist vision for the future. Bold, well-organised and inspiring events will be a crucial part of ensuring the growth we can have over this coming year, and with our experience we believe we are the best placed people to ensure that success.

Supporter 1 Name:

George Morris

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Manchester

Supporter 2 Name:

Rosie Rawle

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Oxford

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Yes

GSC1 Victoria Mery

Agenda item: E.3.1 Green Students Committee Co-Convenor (x2 - also sit on EC)

Which role are you applying for?:

Green Students Committee Co-convenor

Candidate Statement

I'm a Neuroscience student at the University of Bristol craving to get more involved and play an active role: I believed politics wasn't for me from a young age however through my experiences I have become much more aware: now I know that it is urgent for everyone and particularly students to get involved in the decisions that will shape our lives and the next generations to come.

I joined the party in 2019, when Caroline Lucas spoke in my Sixth Form and changed the way I saw my role as a citizen, student and young woman. I'm originally from Chile where climate change has had a massive impact socially and economically and this is key driving factor in my ambition to become more involved and make radical changes in order to prevent irreversible damage.

If I get elected as a co-convenor I will:

- ✕ Work alongside like-minded student societies to maximise the Young Greens' voice
- ✕ Help create a strong sense of community and inclusivity within Young Greens' students
- ✕ Help organise relevant sessions to learn about green policies
- ✕ Ensure our campaigning is approachable for any student and relevant to our issues

I am only starting my journey with the Green Party but I am motivated and driven, so it would mean a lot to be elected and given this opportunity.

Victoria (she/her)

Twitter:

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Supporter 1 Name:

Daron Croaker

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Brighton & Hove Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Raphael Hill

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Brighton & Hove Green Party



Local Party:

Bristol Green Party

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Yes

GSC2 Sophie Shanahan

Agenda item: E.3.1 Green Students Committee Co-Convenor (x2 - also sit on EC)

Which role are you applying for?:

Green Students Committee Co-Convenor

Candidate Statement

The Green Party is unequivocally the party of students and young people. As the Young Greens, we need to continue to fight for the right to free education, fair housing policies for students and push for a strong focus on mental health.

As student committee co-convenor, I would hope to build on the excellent work carried out by the committee over the past year. Particularly, I would continue to offer support for rent striking campaigns and use what we have learnt over this difficult year to continue to win rent rebates for the students who have been fighting so unrelentingly against unfair housing policies. I would also like to continue current work to eradicate the sexual violence, transphobia and immutable racism that have left such a stain on the education system.

Throughout the pandemic, government guidance has left university students feeling forgotten time and time again and so it is of the utmost importance that we now fight for student voices to be heard. Universities need to understand the immense strain placed upon students over the past year and ensure that effective, comprehensive policies are implemented to support students both academically and in a wellbeing capacity. The mental health of students is paramount, particularly after a year of such constant interruption to their education.

Building on the party's success in this year's local elections, I would be looking to support and nurture new and growing student groups, particularly in 'green surge' areas, in order to build a base of young green activists across the country. It would also be great to build local networks of green student groups to support each other in events and campaigning, especially in areas where the party has less of a presence.

I have been lucky enough to act as a committee member for the Bristol Green Society and expect to assume the role of co-chair of the Bristol Young Greens for the next academic year. I hope to inject all I have learnt from these experiences into my role on the EC. University campuses can be a real driving force for activism, and as student committee co-convenor I would hope to support students in executing campaigns that can effect real change.

Twitter:

https://twitter.com/_sophieshanahan

Supporter 1 Name:

Isobel Browne-Wilkinson

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Bristol Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Billy Wassell

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Cheltenham Green Party



Local Party:
Bristol Green Party

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Yes

IN1 Hope Carpenter

Agenda item: E.1.8 International Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
International Officer

Candidate Statement

I'm applying for the Young Greens' International Officer because I believe I have the knowledge, experience and passion to be successful in this role.

I've built a strong knowledge of global issues through working and volunteering with international charities such as UNICEF, Opportunity International and African Initiatives, mainly focussing on gender issues.

Having recently graduated from SOAS in Environment, Politics and Development, I've been able to combine my experience, passion for tackling inequality and concern for the future of our planet. My dissertation considered what an intersectional, international feminist degrowth might look like.

Over the last 6 months I have had the opportunity to co-chair the London Young Greens, working alongside Sian's mayoral team to develop her youth policies. In this role, I was able to lead a campaign on the Tigray Crisis, creating a partnership with the Tigray Youth Network, hosting an event with Natalie Bennett and representing the Green Party during their peaceful protest at Speakers' Corner. I hope to continue raising awareness of the crisis as International Officer alongside the important campaign work we must do in the build up to COP-26 to ensure the UK supports low and middle income countries to tackle the climate crisis.

I always look to bring energy and passion to my work and hope to do so in this role.

Video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LMLoweflGnI>

Twitter:

hopecarpenter

Supporter 1 Name:

George Bellshaw

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Haringey

Supporter 2 Name:

Lucy Downes

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Southwark

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Yes



Local Party:
London / Kettering

IN2 Sarah Victoria Sharp

Proposer: Sarah Sharp (Oxford Green Party)

Agenda item: E.1.8 International Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
International Officer

Candidate Statement

I have loved being your international officer this last year and am asking to represent you again this year to build on the connections and momentum I have created.

I have focused on strengthening our relationship with the Federation of the Young European Greens and Global Young Greens in the following ways:

- I have attended 2 General Assemblies for FYEG, representing our views there and strengthening connections with fellow European Young Greens
- I have facilitated the following MO to MO trainings: E.g. Albanian Young Greens and Serbian Young Greens
- Supported a mentor scheme for the East Africa Academy by providing mentors for the Kenyan Young Greens
- Organised events with Natalie Bennett and Molly Scott Cato on the topics of Hong Kong Human Rights and Sustainable Agriculture
- Provided support for candidates for Global Young Greens and FYEG EC

I would love to build on the connections I have made this year if you choose me as your next International Officer. My focus will be on:

- Creating an International Working group straight away to increase capacity to put on more events and have a wider range of opportunities
- Focus on build up to COP26 including conducting events with our Mother Party
- Increase joint events with other Young Greens across the world, including networking events and knowledge sharing events
- Learn from other country's organisations on diversity, campaigning and effective comms
- Increase access to global opportunities for our members: e.g. writing for Ecosprinter (FYEG's online magazine), internships etc

Supporter 1 Name:

Isobel Browne-Wilkinson

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Bristol Green Party



Local Party:
Oxford Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Patrick McAllister

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Bristol Green Party

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Yes

LG1 Lollie Melton

Agenda item: E.1.12 LGBTIQA+ Liberation Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
LGBTIQA+ Liberation Officer

Candidate Statement

I have been a Green Party Member for almost 8 years. I would love the opportunity to continue playing a helpful role in the vital work of organizing communities and empowering the most vulnerable and marginalized in our society. As we all know this work starts 'at home' and if we really are the party of social revolution we need to be walking the walk, subverting the status quo and ensuring the voices that are most ignored are heard and valued.

As representative for my community, I would do my best to remain humble and responsive, putting consent over consensus wherever possible to ensure no one is steam-rolled over and we preserve the right of reply.

With the support of a strong team I'm hopeful I can put my skills to good use and be a strong advocate for LGBTIQA+ voices in matters which affect us. I'm confident in my ability to diffuse tensions, face up to injustice and encourage authentic collaboration. I have plenty of experience speaking up for LGBTIQA+ issues in various settings, as well as first hand knowledge of why this is so important, and I would fully dedicate myself to this role.

Supporter 1 Name:

Joshua Farrell

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Ipswich Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Dylan Lewis-Creser

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

North Northamptonshire Green Party

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Local Party:
East Mendip Green Party

PR1 Orla MacMahon

Agenda item: E.1.5 Press Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:

Press Officer

Candidate Statement

Young people are looking for a credible option to represent the social and environmental issues that matter. As Press Officer, I would make it my priority to ensure the Young Greens consistently present ourselves as the mobilised and engaging home for Green politics. Appealing to left-wing youth and activists has been key to our successes, yet it is of equal importance to me that we work to reach the people who are distanced from Green politics, and capture their attention with our work and our values. We can achieve this through a proactive approach to media opportunities and a cohesive messaging strategy across all platforms, and I believe I have the dedication and experience to lead on this. I contributed to the Bristol Youth Strike for Climate movement as press officer, gaining experience and contacts in local and national media and working to showcase the strength of youth activism whilst ensuring our key messages remained clear. I am genuinely excited by the opportunity to work with the Executive Committee to raise the profile of Young Green voices and earn a wider audience for our work. Reach out to me on social media if you have any questions or want to talk more!



Local Party:
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Supporter 1 Name:

Isabel Leach

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Bristol Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Kelsey Trevett

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Oxfordshire Green Party

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Yes

TR1 Kane Elwell

Agenda item: E.1.14 Trans Liberation Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:

Young Greens Trans Liberation Officer

Candidate Statement

I'm a passionate member who cares deeply about environmental issues, and I'm also a trans man who wants to see trans people treated with respect.

I'm committed to trying to bridge the gaps between different parts of the party membership and working for all kinds of green and LGBTIQ+ liberation.

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Supporter 1 Name:

Ash Routh

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Sheffield Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

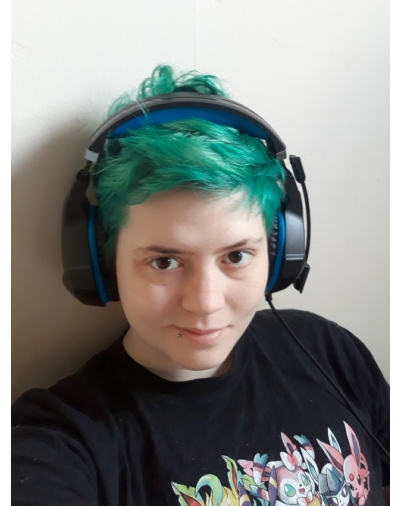
Dylan Lewis-Creser

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

North Northamptonshire Green Party

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Local Party:

Durham Greens

UN1 Dylan Lewis-Creser

Agenda item: E.1.17 Under 18s Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Under 18s Officer

Candidate Statement

I am running for Under 18s Officer on EC because I believe that I have the skills and experience to best represent the Under 18 experience and fight for our voices to be heard. I am currently a Non-Portfolio Officer on the Under 18s Committee, a role to which I started in September last year. Along with my other talented colleagues, we have revitalised the Under 18 group from a period of relative inactivity; with a strong social media presence and hosting the recent "Young People & COP 26" talk, the Under 18s Greens most successful event to date.

I am hoping to continue this legacy in this newly-created role on the Executive Committee (EC), which was created in part due to a push from myself and other Under 18s to get Affiliated Groups onto the EC. In this role, I hope to work with other EC members for a variety of causes that may arise in the course of our term, but always bringing an Under 18 perspective to all we encounter, and working with other Liberation Officers for a cross-sectional approach to the Young Greens - we are a beacon of Social Justice in the Green Party and we must remain that way.

I also have some other experience from the Green Party that will help me in this role: I am currently the Young Greens Officer & Election Campaigns Officer for the North Northamptonshire Greens - the latter of which I organised the campaign that led to our first ever Green councillors in Northamptonshire, 3 gains from Conservative! This shows that I know what we need to do to continue winning and being at the forefront of British politics, as Britain's new 3rd party. I am also Regional Lead for the Midlands with the LGBTIQ+ Greens, a role I share with an amazing individual and we are just in the starting process of setting this up - something that is very exciting for the LGBTIQ+ Greens and myself - I believe this gives me more experience as I know how to be in an organisational position in the Party, something the Young Greens EC undoubtably is.

I appreciate you reading this statement of mine, and hope you consider giving me your vote for this incredibly important role.

If you would like to get in contact with me, my Twitter is @CreserDylanPol so feel free to DM me!

Kind regards, Dylan Lewis-Creser

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Supporter 1 Name:

Joshua Morris-Blake

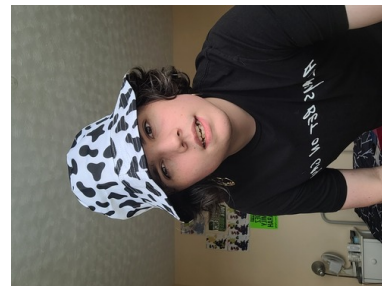
Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Brighton and Hove Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Cody Garland

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:



Local Party:

North Northamptonshire Green
Party

Aylesbury Vale Green Party

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Yes

UN2 Kirsty McMillan

Agenda item: E.1.17 Under 18s Officer (x1)

Which role are you applying for?:
Under 18s Officer

Candidate Statement

I am running for election as Under 18s Officer on the Young Greens Committee because I am determined to transform our failing secondary education system, and I am committed to getting more young people into politics.

Over the last year, more and more young people have been learning about the issues facing our generation and our planet, more and more young people are realising the devastation the Conservatives have left us with, and more and more young people have been joining the Green Party.

We must continue this trend. We must engage young people: talk about politics in a way that is accessible and covers issues teenagers care about. We have to show young people that being a Green isn't a waste of their potential: that it isn't a party full of old people or a single-issue pressure group.

That is what the Under 18 Greens have started to do over the last year, under my leadership as co-chair. We have set up social media accounts on Instagram, Twitter and Facebook, hosted an online event about the importance of COP26, established a mailing list and created a Slack group to communicate with our members. My fellow co-chair and I were even featured in one of Sian Berry's mayoral campaign videos!

One of the most pressing problems facing under 18s has to be our failing education system. The issues facing under 18s are fixed in the short term, but the long-term issues that plague the education system are not dealt with. For example, last year's A-Level scandal was disastrous for students, and after intense pressure, the government revoked the algorithm and the problem was fixed. However, there has been no attention on the mental health crisis in schools, or the demotivating and one-size-fits-all approach to learning. Currently, too many students feel they have no reason to attend school: we are sleep-deprived, we have poor mental health, and we are forced to chase a grade in order to prove our worth.

Education should not be a production line churning out the next generation of workers, it should be an opportunity for students to learn about the subjects they want, without those subjects being constantly devalued or deprioritised, like in the case of English and creative subjects. It should be an opportunity for young people to learn about the world they live in, through political, climate and inclusive education. These are what culminate to make well-rounded, strong-willed students who feel motivated to attend school. Changing the education system to suit young people should be front and centre of the Young Greens, and I will ensure it is so. By working with the Green Students Committee, educational think tanks, charities and other political groups, I will put this issue on the map.

Throughout my time as the Under 18s Co-chair, I have demonstrated my unwavering passion for getting young people into politics, whether that's through leafleting in elections or attending protests. Politics will only benefit young people when we speak up and demand to be heard, and if I were to become the Under 18s Officer, I would not stop until change happens.



Local Party:
Richmond Green Party

Twitter:

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Supporter 1 Name:

Josh Morris-Blake

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Brighton and Hove Green Party

Supporter 2 Name:

Fola Adedeji

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

North Surrey Green Party

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Yes

UNNPO1 William Back

Agenda item: H.1.2. U18 YG Non-Portfolio Officer (x3)

Which role are you applying for?:

Non-Portfolio Officer (Under 18 Young Greens)

Candidate Statement

I am a 16-year-old student who is passionate about the Climate and the world around us. I am a firm believer in the power of Young People and the difference we can make at any age if you are passionate. I've always been very eager, for example, pressuring my school to shift away from single use plastics and promote a more environmentally friendly way of life in and out of school. As Non-portfolio Officer I would be keen to increase membership and spread the word about the Green Parties policies to avoid Climate Chaos and improve Human Rights for people in the trans community. As NPO, I believe I can make a difference and show people that the Green Party are the only party worth supporting as we lead the charge with our policies.

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Supporter 1 Name:

Fola Adedeji

Supporter 1 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Under 18 Young Greens

Supporter 2 Name:

Josh Morris-Blake

Supporter 2 Local Party/Affiliated Group:

Under 18 Young Greens

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Local Party:

Under 18 Young Greens