## GS1 Luanne Thornton

Agenda item: E.3. Green Students Co-Convenor

Which role are you applying for?: Green Students Committee Co-Convenor

## **Candidate Statement**

I'm standing for Green Students Committee Co-Convenor. The Young Greens currently provides a voice for members under 30. While students are not forgotten in this role, we could do more to create an active Green Party Student Community.

With many young people standing in solidarity with climate strikes and striving away from the political parties that too often let them down, the Green Party is a positive force.



Local Party: Calderdale

In the role, I would want to engage with NUS as much as possible as well as individual student unions. I would also welcome working alongside other organisation that would help us promote the Green cause.

The three main things I would set out to do in the position are the following actions...

- Support students in setting up individual Green Party Groups within their universities or further education colleges and ensure great contact between university groups and local parties.
- Ensure that university and further education college students are aware of sustainable options in their university or college and if not available in their town/city.
- Promote campaigns on equality and diversity within universities and the wider education setting.

I have an experienced background within higher education, having completed a BA in English Literature with Creative Writing, a Secondary English PGCE, and now completing my MA in English Literature. I am incredibly passionate about the education sector. If we can rejuvenate green voices within our colleges and universities, this will result in the growth of Green student communities. Thus, we will create a more effective platform for the views of not only Green Students but a greater voice for the Wider Young Green community.

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