



Youth Officer Report: AGM

Since being co-opted as youth officer in September, my focus has been on building the foundations for hopefully a very successful year of “greenifying and youthifying” ahead. My remit has been designated as such, to [Greenify the Young Liberals](#) and [Youthify the Green Liberal Democrats](#)

In order to achieve this I have done the following:

- Supported the executive on their conference responses, both by participating in fringes (serving on the well-being discussion panel at Federal and Y&H conference) and helping with the drafting of policy motions and amendments
- Supported the Officer group by minute taking at meetings and providing my viewpoints from a youth perspective
- Reached out to Young Liberals Co-Chair Callum Robertson establishing a relationship between YL and GLD, which has now evolved into joint work surrounding the Today for Tomorrow campaign
- Have formed a youth working group which is working to ensure there is a functioning youth wing within the Green Liberal Democrat’s which can:
 - Lobby Young Liberals on Green Issues - submission of a carbon tax motion to the upcoming Hiberate Conference
 - Lobby GLD on Youth concerns - increasing youth representation on the executive by supporting a young member to go for co-option and raising policy concerns raised by younger members
- Have supported officers by working on proposals to improve the more general functioning of the organisation including but not limited to a Diversity Action Plan, a Regional Development Plan and ideas for our COP26 response
- Have worked with the outgoing treasurer to make the Youth Membership Scheme more accessible
- Took over the running of the GreenLibDems Twitter account
- Began dialogue across multiple party youth wings after a cross party panel, which may bear fruitful campaigning possibilities in the immediate future
- Have continued to support and assisted in the implementation of the idea of “cross-AO working” by encouraging the executive to reach outside of our traditional scope to work with organisations such as Liberal Reform and Young Liberals to deliver better campaigns

I have been very grateful to have a very supporting and welcoming youth working group, executive and officers group who have made the last few months an incredibly enjoyable and rewarding experience, I look forward to continuing to work on my role and to support the executive, to that extent my focus this year will be on the following things:

- Recruiting more young members to the “GLD Youth” Group, through a mixture of recruitment to GLD and engagement of existing young members
- Work to ensure the youth membership scheme is even more accessible and successful in 2021, with a special focus on working to make sure it’s easy to access on the website and that mechanisms are in place for retention of members joining on this scheme
- To continue my work on various proposals in support of the Officer group, namely the 3 priorities are regional development, the diversity action plan and a potential policy book proposal
- To work with the executive to ensure training on new platforms, diversity and everything else they may need is provided
- To establish an even more fruitful working relationship with the Young Liberals after the upcoming By-Election and to continue the great work on building bridges and lobbying change makers with the cross party panel group