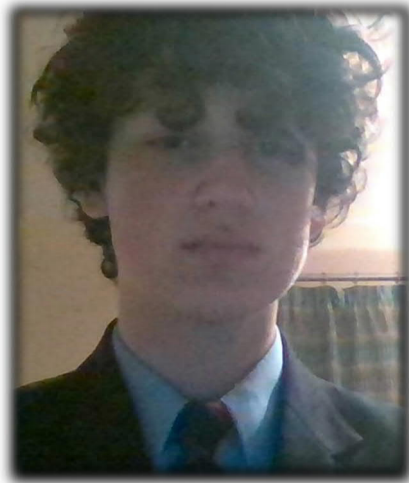


Member of Youth Parliament Elections

Candidate: Oliver McClean



Introduction to me

Hi, my name is Oliver McClean, and I'm aspiring to be your Youth MP. I'm 13 and I currently attend The Bay CE School where I am in year 9. At my school me and some of my close friends currently run politics club where we come together twice a week to share and debate our views on current events.

For as long as I can remember I've always had a love for the humanities and literature, in recent years that passion has come in the form of politics. Personally, I strongly believe in the diversity, and freedom, of independent opinion in a democratic state. Every young person should have the right to express, and even protest, their views and opinions and I hope to be able to represent the youth of the Island wherever possible regarding this matter.

What are the three main things I think are important to young people in my area?

1. Keeping us safe - Everyone on our Island should be able to feel safe. Whether that be, at home, out in the streets at night, or on a day out with friends or family.
2. The environment - Our Island is a beautiful place and we need to try wherever we can to protect and maintain. The environment is one of the most important things in our modern day and age in the current climate crisis where if we don't try to change it may be the end.
3. Mental Health - No one, especially not the youth, should have to suffer alone with their mental health. As a community we need to do as much as possible to help and support people with their mental health wherever possible. Whether that be in the form of simply checking in on people or even telling someone that can better help.

What is the one main thing I would hope to achieve if elected?

If elected more than anything else I'd wish to give the youth of our Island a voice, a voice that, more than anything, they can depend upon to represent them effectively and give them the opportunities that they deserve to speak up on anything and everything important to them.

Why vote for me?

My belief and my passion for the representation of my fellow youth is something I cannot express enough. When and where ever given the opportunity, I do everything and anything within my power to help accommodate, represent and fulfill the voices and needs of the youth of the Island. I hope that, whether it be me or one of my fellow candidates, you vote for the person that you believe will represent you best as Youth MP and get the representation you deserve.