

Johan Prinsloo for Policy Committee

(A photo of Johan Prinsloo, an under-18, male, white Afrikaner with a white t-shirt and a chequered overshirt, as well as brown hair and glasses)

My experience with YL policy:

Over the past year, I have been engaging with YL policy. At Sheffield YL conference, my first YL conference, I submitted two policy motions. My policy on Reforming Citizenship Education, and my other policy got referred back to policy committee. It was on Incentivising Renewable Energy in Businesses and it has also given me experience with getting referred back to policy committee. At the most recent YL conference in London, I submitted a policy and a constitutional amendment, both of which didn't get chosen, but I submitted an amendment on Abolishing School Fees which passed.

My skills:

I have been working in MUN at all levels. I have been a chair at the Reigate MUN conference 2023, I have been a delegate at 8 conferences, being the ambassador of the Maldives at the Hague THIMUN conference (the largest in Europe), and I am running the RRSiMUN conference this year. In MUN, you need to be able to write concisely to submit resolutions and get them passed, and I played a key role in organising and writing a resolution on the Chagos Archipelago crisis which passed. I believe these in-depth writing skills demonstrate that I am able to construct policy to a high-enough standard to which would be able to be submitted to a Liberal Democrats conference.

YL experience:

I have spent the past year as the Under-18s representative for Diversity Committee. In this role, I have been actively seeking to engage Under-18s at all levels of YL. This has been in the form of helping them to run and form their campaigns, informing them of what goes on in Exec meetings and by encouraging them to speak on YL policy. I believe that I have achieved this goal, as at YL conference the Under-18 presence was much more notable than at Sheffield, and the subject of U-18 support also came up in Constitutional Amendment discussion.

(A photo of George Sykes)

George Sykes, YL Regional Chair of Yorkshire:

Johan seems to know the standing orders back to front and if that doesn't qualify you for Policy Committee, I'm not sure what does. But if you need more, he's also a team player who's already been helping to get more under 18s members involved in YL policy. This gives me confidence to say that Johan would be a great asset to the Policy Committee team.

