Choose or Lose Young People’s Elections 2016
Candidate Manifesto’s Area 4
Beaumont Leys, Fosse & Abbey
Hi, my name is Megan Cashmore and I’m 15 years old. I go to Babington Community College, which is based in Beaumont Leys.

Over the years I have done a lot of work at Babington which includes being involved in the student council and B.E.C, which stands for Babington Environmental Committee. For these roles I have helped to improve the school’s environment and the surrounding area. I have helped to achieve awards such as ‘Roots and Shoots’ award and achieved the first green flag award in Leicester.

The reason why I am standing is to improve the environment around us and to improve the youth of today by giving them opportunities that can lead to a better future.
Hello, my name is Katherine Walker. I am thirteen years old and go to English Martyrs Catholic Secondary school. As a young person, I have not got to see the world yet. However, I have had numerous experiences regarding Leicester and have heard the experiences of so many other young people. Last year I was form captain for my class at school. I was surprised by the views of my peers on matters of political and social standing, whether we like to admit it or not, our views are influenced by what our parents, our role models believe.

If elected, I would try my absolute hardest to make sure that young people can find out about the world that will, some day be left to us, through education, historical and modern reading material, as well as new forms of communication for the modern era.

A wise person once said that we do not have the right to judge someone because no one has had the same experiences as ourselves. Instead, we should make sure that everyone has a voice, that is not only heard but respected and that is what I would aim to do if elected.

Thank you.
Hi, my name is Alycia, and I go to English Martyrs Roman Catholic Secondary School. I will be standing for area 4.

My skills are that I’m good at listening; I’m a good communicator and always take in other people’s points of view. I’m a dancer so I’m very confident and love performing and speaking in crowds. I can read and comprehend well; also I can put my point across clearly.

My main issue is that I want to make Beaumont Leys, Fosse and Abbey a safer place for young people to be. One of the issues I would like to address if that people from schools in the area are abusing alleyways, by having fights, smoking and drinking in them. If I was to be elected, I would prevent this from happening, by creating more activities for young people, which would change the bad image of youths.
Isaac Hatfield

My name is Isaac Hatfield and I go to Keyham Lodge and I am standing for Youth Parliament because I want to make more activities for people with a difficult home life.

Also I am standing for Area 4 – so vote for me!
My name is Torin Page, I am 17 years old and I go to English Martyrs R.C. School and I am aiming to study History at University. My manifesto:

1) Expanding youth involvement in extra curricular activities including outdoor pursuits activities. Aberglaslyn Hall recently closed in 2013 as it was deemed too expensive for the Leicestershire County Council to maintain the annual costs. This is a clear example of knowing the cost of everything but the value of nothing. Since 1962, the centre in Snowdonia, North Wales has served as an outdoor pursuits centre for secondary school children and was a place that is highly regarded by my Father, as a place that has served him lasting memories of youth and enjoyment in the outdoor since he spent a week there whilst in school. Recently the hall fell into private ownership despite offers by the ‘Friends of Aberglaslyn Hall’ to restore the hall to its previous occupation for Leicestershire Youth. As a candidate I will be willing to meet regularly with representatives of the county council and other members of the YPC to try and restore Aberglaslyn Hall for a generation of Leicestershire school children that will be missing out on building lasting friendships and discovering talents they may never have thought they had.

2) Increasing anti-smoking awareness amongst young people. In my area of Beaumont Leys, Fosse and Abbey I have witnessed many in my school and other young people succumb to smoking. The issue is that many school’s are not making their students aware of the lasting addiction cigarette smoking and passive smoking causes. My candidacy will aim to increase awareness of how smoking can impact all areas of one’s life and how avoiding smoking especially when young, is one of the most important decisions a person can make.

Overall electing me is not about getting known. But ensuring Leicester school children are open to the prospect of outdoor pursuits activities and a healthy future, whilst reinforcing this message of knowing the cost of everything but the value of nothing.
Hello, I am Panashe Dangaiso, I am 12 and go to Babington Community College and I am in year 7. I know what its like to not be listened to, so I will make sure you don’t feel ignored. I will also be there for all young people because I am approachable, kind and helpful. I’m not rash and always think things through.

I know what its like to be shy, so I will be those people’s voices and make sure they are heard. I’ll never judge people by how they look as good people come in any shape and size. I’ve has my troubles like everyone else so I know how almost everyone feels. If you have a good idea I’ll get you heard because I don’t want to shun anyone.
Hello, my name is James Lowe, I’m 15 years old and I live in the Beaumont Leys area and attend Beaumont Leys secondary school. I have been a member of the Young People’s Council for one year now and during this term have planned a community event at Barley Croft, attended ward meetings where I expressed young people’s views on issues in the area. I spoke to young people in the area to gather views on services such as the Transforming Neighbourhood Services, which is going to be affecting how youth centres, libraries and other council buildings will function over the next few years.

One of the best things I’ve done as a member of the Young People’s Council was the ‘How will you hear me?’ film project. In this I wrote a script about young people who’ve experienced crime for a scene that is now going to be used as a training package for professionals working with young people.

I believe that if you vote for me I will be able to continue the work I’ve done so far and also will be able to help the new members. I believe that I can express your views to make Leicester a better place.
My name is Jordan Marshall, I am 16 years old and I attend Heart of England Training.

I think people should vote for me because I am a hard worker, good listener and I like to help people. I don't judge people who are different. I'm in full time education, and I help out at my local youth center.

Getting elected will help me in the future.