

### **Time Commitment:**

The time commitment stands at around 8-10 hours a month for national & regional and local campaign work, plus local meetings.

N.B. School work takes priority. If there are exams or you are unable to commit to your role for any reason that is okay but please make your worker aware.

### **Duration:**

1-2 years, dependent on your Local Authority. Suffolk is a 2 year term, unless elected during a by-election.

### **Election rules:**

- Age range: at least 11 on the date of the election and up to 18
- Criteria to stand: must live, work or study in Suffolk
- Term of office: 2 years from when you are elected (or until your 19th birthday), whichever comes first, or from the date of a by-election

### **Purpose of role:**

- To develop and promote youth voice and look for opportunities to actively engage with every young person within Suffolk
- To deliver campaigns relating to your manifesto
- To promote the positive work of UKYP and vote on UKYP policy and campaigns
- To attend and participate in BYC Conventions and the House of Commons sitting
- To take the views of other young people in the county to BYC Conventions and report on local campaigns

### **Tasks:**

- Consult and listen to young people in Suffolk and share their views with others
- Participate in meetings
- Attend and participate in Suffolk Youth Parliament meetings
- Work with key stakeholders and decision makers in Suffolk to deliver your campaigns and represent other young people across the county

- Take part in local and national campaigns and encourage other young people to do the same
- Share information from UK Youth Parliament, British Youth Council, London Youth Assembly and other meetings to your peers across Suffolk
- Represent young people from across Suffolk at UK Youth Parliament, British Youth Council, London Youth Assembly and other meetings and conferences

### **Skills:**

- Approachable
- Inclusive of everyone
- **Experience – none needed, just a desire to get young people’s voices heard**

### **Code of Conduct:**

Adhere to the BYC code of conduct

### **Exit policy:**

If an MYP is unable to perform their role due to illness, moving countries or for breaching the code of conduct, they will be guided to the UKYP Policy Handbook for a decision on their future as a MYP.

### **Staff Support:**

Suffolk County Council support worker

**The work of UKYP is not affiliated with any political party.**

### **Deputy Members of Youth Parliament**

The role of the DMYP is to support the MYP in the constituency. The MYP will attend local meetings in Ipswich, regionally and nationally and report back to the DMYP.

A DMYP is able to attend monthly meetings. For regional and national meetings a DMYP can attend only where the MYP is unable to (unless otherwise arranged with Support Worker) and their role will be to report back to the MYP.