Manifesto

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YEAR: Eleven

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HOBBIES: Playing the piano, Badminton

Why am I a viable candidate to join the MKYC?

I am someone who loves to make change. I have lived in Milton Keynes since I moved in in year 6 and I have loved Milton Keynes ever since. I have always been a strong speaker, someone who has always been happy enough to speak in front of people, I love to talk, it is one of the qualities I have been able to gain through my school journey. I want to join MKYC because I feel I can make a difference. I love things that can make me think. Every problem can be solvable if we try hard enough. When you want to be a candidate for MKYC, not only do you have to have good communications skills, but you also need a work ethic. A persevering mentality. I am someone who will keep trying at something until the job is done. After attending the Milton Keynes Youth Summit with my school council, I saw the work and your capabilities to be able to come together and try to make Milton Keynes a better place for our youth. Our Youth are our ticket to the future, they need protecting, and a quality childhood. And I want to be an advocate to that change. I cannot say I am a perfect human, but I am very enthusiastic in what I do. Not only would I have the ability to improve the quality of life for our younger generations, but I can also build on my character.

My main issue is mental health which is a significant issue for young people in Milton Keynes. 25 percent of 11 – 16-year-olds can feel sad or empty. Even worse, there are service gaps and long wait times for mental health support. The average wait to be assessed by the Milton Keynes Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services is 20 weeks. This is quite a severe waiting time and those who desperately which can simply be solved by developing other methods of aid. Such as finding firms to develop an AI alternative to this for people to have easy accessible conversation. Perhaps create desginated areas in Milton Keynes or buildings where they can hang out – like hang out stations where they can talk to professionals or others if they want to.