

## Naomi Jenkins- Manifesto

Hi, my name is Naomi Jenkins and I know that I would be an extraordinary Youth Council representative because I'm not doing this for myself, but for my peers, giving voice to those who struggle to be heard, especially those who suffer with medical issues. Due to my sister having so many medical problems, I understand more than most.

I want to make Milton Keynes accessible for all. I have severe progressive myopia, so accessibility struggles and solutions are something I am all too familiar with. I believe I could improve the social issues of young people in Milton Keynes by setting an example and improving their confidence. An example of a young girl, or person, who is like them. Making them believe they can do anything. One young girl who believes.

I believe in equal rights no matter what race, ethnicity, gender, or sexual orientation someone is. Milton Keynes is working its way towards being equal, and I would like to help it there, if allowed this wonderful opportunity. My skills in public speaking, problem solving and leadership would make me excellent for this role at MKYC along with my ability to compromise and negotiate. This is important as I know there are so many voices to be heard, and how important it is to listen to and take them all into account.

In the past, I was a member of my school's debate club; this means that I am good at listening to multiple sides of an argument (or multiple opinions) and making an informed decision. I am open-minded, open to new ideas whilst drawing on my past experiences to help influence my decisions. I would like to continue to better Milton Keynes, to get it past the finish line of being a safe, accessible and friendly city, that is why I would like to be a part of MKYC.