Election Officers Report to Summer Conference

Action Days

Throughout our term we've held several federal action days in key areas such as Salford, Winchester, Harrogate, Eastbourne, Maidenhead and Honiton. Before the GE was announced we also planned a Summer of Campaigning in Mid Dunbartonshire, Carshalton, Harpenden and Hazel Grove.

Local Elections

In the lead up to the local elections, we asked the regions and states to prioritise wards in advanced seats and where young candidates are standing. We also set up a 'Genius Bar' with Darryl and Thom from ALDC, to give young campaigners and candidates a friendly face to get advice from.

It was a good night for Young Liberals this May, as nine Young Liberals were elected across England, a huge achievement given the small number of councils with vacancies in this cycle. I'm pleased to report that three recipients of Young and Winning were elected, with a further three coming within 150 votes of taking their seat.

It's also clear that the work Young Liberals did on the ground had a large impact on results, with a Candidate in Winchester who South Central held an action day for improving their vote share by 32.4%.

Results of Young and Winning and Future Councillors Recipients				
Candidate's Name	Ward and Authority	Support from YL	Result	
Sophie Thornton	Beauchief & Greenhill, Sheffield	£200	1st 1,937 votes	
Alan Good	Ancoats & Beswick, Manchester	£200	1st 1,900 votes	
Theo Jupp	Summertown, Oxford	£200	1st 662 votes	
Paul Heilbron	Quays, Salford	£600	1st 540 votes	
Jordan Barry	Crookes & Crosspool, Sheffield	£800	2nd 2,188 votes	
Ryan Browne	Hillside, Wokingham	£800	5th 1,307 votes	
Miguel Smith	Fulwell, Sunderland	£750	2nd 1,234 votes	
Ciaran Morrisey	Hendon, Sunderland	£150	2nd 948 votes	
James Hawketts	University, Norwich	£600	2nd 637 votes	
Freddie Easters	Carholme, Lincoln	£200	2nd 366 votes	
Mia Coupland	Castle, Sunderland	£200	4th 98 votes	

General Election

During the General Election we worked closely with local parties and organisers nationwide to guide our activists to the best place for them to campaign, as well as phone banking to mobilise members and contributing to the wider national maraphoning effort.

We were also on the ground in several key seats to support young activists including Carshalton and Wallington, Chesham and Amersham, Eastbourne, Glastonbury and Somerton, Harrogate and Knaresborough, Honiton and Sidmouth, Wimbledon, and Winchester.

Key Seats visited by Executive Members			
Constituency	Long Campaign	Short Campaign	
Caithness, Sutherland and Easter Ross	LD	LD	
Carshalton and Wallington		MS/UA/JP	
Chesham and Amersham		MS/KM	
Eastbourne		NOW/KM	
Edinburgh West		HJ	
Glastonbury and Somerton		NOW	
Harpenden and Berkhamsted		RJ	
Harrogate and Knaresborough	MS	NOW/MS	
Hazel Grove		JN	
Honiton and Sidmouth		NOW/KM	
Mid Dunbartonshire		LD	
Sheffield Hallam	Conf/MS		
South Cambridgeshire	CL	CL	
Wimbledon		MS/RJ/NOW	
Winchester	JL/KM/MS/NOW	JL/NOW/KM	
Stratford on Avon		JN	
Brecon, Radnor and Cwn Tawe		JL/SW	