



## **Alasdair Paisley MSYP - Update August 2024**

### **81<sup>st</sup> SYP Sitting**

I went to Stirling to attend the SYP sitting, where I underwent training for anti-racism and ending gender-based violence. We also saw other MSYPs put forward motions to the SYP, which included motions on Outdoor learning, LGBTQ+ action, mental health training improvement and more. I also met my committee, called the T.E.R.A committee, which stands for Transport, Environment and Rural Affairs, I am excited to work with them.

### **Oban Consultation**

Soon after the sitting, I went along with a couple of youth groups to Oban, where I did a consultation alongside one of my colleagues to get an idea of what were the common issues and themes. The general feedback from this consultation was that many young people in Argyll and Bute feel they have very little to do in their area, a few reported bullying, and several are concerned about the amount of litter in towns and roads.

### **Next Steps**

I am currently setting up another consultation for young people across the area and am planning to visit and consult with local youth groups, and I will focus more on the topics of the Environment and Transport. I shall also attend the next SYP sitting where I can help to contribute the views of local young people. I look forward to soon consulting with larger groups across Argyll, and start to talk with local campaigners and decision makers on the young peoples behalf.

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