

Youth led and volunteer driven, 2050 Climate Group exists to tackle the climate emergency.

As a charity we strive to empower a generation of young climate leaders to steer our society towards, and be active in, a just and sustainable world by 2050.

OUR THREE CORE OBJECTIVES:

Young Leaders to lead & take climate action to create a just & sustainable society.

EMPOWER



Young Leaders to create & access opportunities, influence & be a leading voice for young people on climate change decision-making locally, nationally and globally.

ENABLE

Young Leaders with the knowledge, skills & confidence to take climate action.

EQUIP

We bring our objectives to life through our Young Leaders Development Programme, Leaders Network, Political engagement, and our Malawi Climate Leaders Project.

28 DIFFERENT PROFESSIONAL SECTORS

4TH YEAR OF OUR AWARD WINNING YLDP

Through our award-winning Young Leaders Development Programme (YLDP), we equip hundreds of young people between the ages of 18 and 35 in Scotland with the skills to take action on climate change in their personal, professional and civic lives. YOUNG LEADERS DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

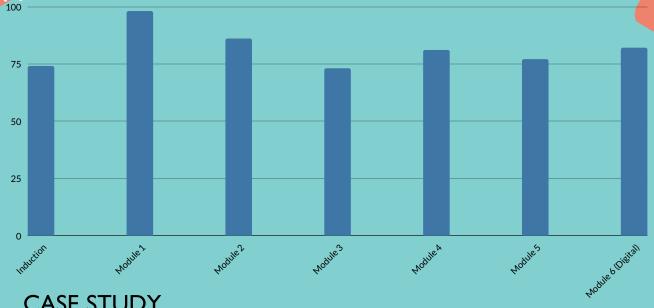
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23 LOCAL AUTHORITIES

> 339 Applicants 128 Successful

Financial & insurance
 Construction
 Waste Management
 Administrative & support services
 Environmental
 Regulation
 Professional scientific & technical services
 Public administration, defence & social security
 Agriculture, forestry & fishing, mining & quarrying
 Logal
 Community Development
 Education
 Student
 Arts, entertainment & recreation
 Human health & social work
 Wholesale & retail trade
 Third Sector
 Accommodation & food service
 Renewables
 Electricity, gas, steam & air conditioning supply
 Information & communication
 Local Government - land use planning / environmental management
 Local Authority - Business Support Services
 Energy Sector
 Manufacturing
 Transport
 Real estate
 Research

YLDP Attendance



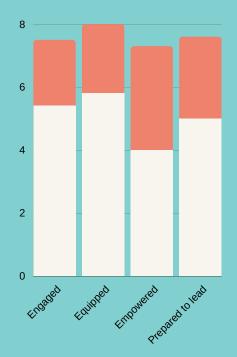
CASE STUDY Young Leaders Climate Emergency Working Group SLICE

(skills and leadership in the climate emergency)

- Abi Gardner (pictured on following page) set up a climate action team within her place of work. Taking inspiration from the YLDP in their 'mission' of ensuring staff members feel empowered and equipped to become climate change leaders
- Created online 'library' of free, open-source, online training material that staff can look through to find courses/videos/e-learning relating to a climate change topic most relevant to them.
- Have held regular 'study group' sessions based on pre read material.
- Held staff workshops to discover what skills they feel the organisation/themselves as an individual have and what skills the organisation/individuals need to include the climate emergency in our work. And what could the organisation do to better help and promote skill-sharing and development in the organisation.
- Presented findings to the organisation's Climate Change Programme Board and wrote a report presenting these results along with learning material and training opportunities available

Key Impact of YLDP





Constantly reminding senior staff that they have a virtually untapped resource of passionate, motivated young employees and to generally do better when it comes to climate change action

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YOUNG LEADER

2050

"I found these events extremely informative and interactive which made me feel very encouraged and empowered every time I attended them. I've also made a few close friends from this year's YLDP who I keep in touch regularly even now during lockdown."

YOUNG LEADER KIRSTY MITCHELL

"I have loved being a part of the YLDP/Leaders Network over the past year. I always looked forward to the events and each time left with a renewed sense of optimism and motivation to take action. I have made some really great friends on YLDP and really hope to stay involved with 2050, as a volunteer or otherwise."

YOUNG LEADER ABI GARDNER

"The YLDP was the best thing I have done this year! Every training day left me feeling energised and empowered to take action, not just through what we learnt but from being surrounded by the amazing people who organise and take part in the programme. Even though the climate emergency can be overwhelming and anxiety-inducing, I now feel more confident in my own ability to lead and influence others to too. I'm very proud to say I am part of the 2050 young leaders network (telling anyone who will listen) and would encourage anyone and everyone to take part too!'

LEADERS NETWORK

The Leaders Network allows Young Leaders, past and present, to build knowledge, develop projects, collaborate with others, share skills and lead climate action towards a just and sustainable society. Our Leaders Network can create and take advantage of opportunities to influence climate change by connecting them to a network of hundreds of young people across Scotland. With regular meetups, workshops and events run in collaboration with external organisations, businesses and influential speakers we help empower our network to be a leading voice for young people on climate change.



LEADERS NETWORK

YOUNG LEADER & LEADERS NETWORK VOLUNTEER NAOMI ARNOLD

"Not only have I been able to enjoy many social activities with like-minded people, but this unique group of friends has also provided, and continues to provide, constant intellectual and emotional support too.

We often share similar questions and frustrations with both our personal journeys to create a better future, and career opportunities that are, or are not, available. And one thing that I find utterly brilliant is the enthusiasm and positivity that runs throughout the group.

...for me, the most important and surprising thing that I have gained are the friendships I have built through 2050 Climate Group. It sounds entirely cliched, I know, but I cannot imagine my life without the people I have met through this group."

YOUNG LEADER & LEADERS NETWORK VOLUNTEER GYAN KHARGHARIA

"It's been a rewarding experience, and 2050 Climate Group has always given me so much more than I've expected. I've attended multiple meetings, represented them at seminars and conferences, and even conducted a workshop for my fellow colleagues. I've also enjoyed attending all the socials and pub sessions post the events – all things I'm not used to doing."





POLITICAL ENGAGEMENT

4 CONSULTATIONS

GOOD FOOD NATION HOUSING 2040 NATIONAL TRANSPORT SCOTLAND JUST TRANISITION COMISSION

269 INDIVIDUAL RESPONSES

SPOKE AT

NORTH SEA CONFERENCE CLIMATE CONVERSATION - SCOT GOV FESTIVAL of POLITICS ARCTIC ASSEMBLY SNP CONFERENCE SCOTTISH SDG WORKING GROUP HOLYROOD COMMUNICATIONS MARINE CONSERVATION SOCIETY FINANCING A JUST TRANISTION

ORGANISED & LEAD

5 EVENTS

2 POLITICAL SPEED DATING EVENTS & 40 LETTERS WRITTEN TO POLITICAL REPRESENTATIVES

POLICY VOLUNTEER

"2050 were invited to present a plenary session speech at the Interreg North Sea Climate Conference in the lovely seaside town of Marstrand in Vastra Gotaland, Sweden.

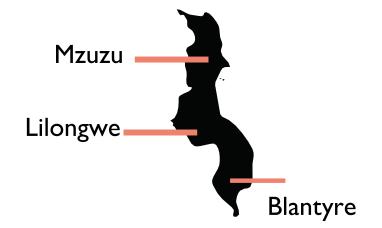
I presented on the importance of involving young people in decision-making in climate change and sustainability, and the value that young people can bring to these discussions. The conference was attended by over 250 people from all over the North Sea region (UK, Netherlands, Norway, Denmark, Sweden and more).

This was by far the biggest audience I've ever presented to, but the presentation went down really well. Being a part of 2050 has opened the door to amazing opportunities like this and has helped me grow my confidence in potentially difficult situations like this!"

POLICY VOLUNTEER

"Tackling climate change may be overwhelming. Being a part of the policy team, and 2050 Climate Group, has given me hope – for a better future, one small step at a time. I now have the belief that through policy change, events and learning new skills we can make a positive difference to the young people around us. The policy team has not only given me confidence but the opportunity to make new friendships with passionate, like-minded people who have the determination to make the world a better and more sustainable place for everyone. For that, I could not be happier or more grateful."

MALAWI CLIMATE LEADERS



3 skills workshops

We organised 3 skills development workshops across Malawi to give our Young Leaders hands on experience in manufacturing organic manure and government and community advocacy.

2 Steering Committee Meetings

Our Steering Committee has brought together sector experts from across Malawi who work with our Young Leaders and help shape the future of our project.

3 regional workshops

We have hosted 3 regional workshops in Lilongwe, Blantyre and Mzuzu City, bringing Young Leaders in those areas together to discuss how they can work collaboratively to tackle climate change in Malawi.

42 Young Leaders recruited

Over two years we have recruited 46 Young Leaders who are all passionate about progressing climate justice in Malawi.

SKILLS WORKSHOP:



2050x

WE AGAIN PROVIDED FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO OUR LEADERS NETWORK ON CLIMATE ACTION PROJECTS THROUGH THE 2050X FUND WITH £2500 IN TOTAL MADE AVAILABLE. SUCCESSFUL PROJECTS INCLUDED THE FORAGING BUSINESS 'WILD FORTH' - SET UP BY YLDP PARTICIPANT MATT WOODTHORPE (PICTURED LEADING A WORKSHOP).

"The 2050x funding has been a great help in getting Wild Forth off the ground. It is quite a leap of faith setting up an enterprise, no matter how small or large, and one particular constraint was needing wholly my own personal income to cover costs such as professional insurance, resource guides, and website domain and logo designs. The 2050x fund helped bridge some of the funding gaps and helped me take that leap to publicly launching the foraging enterprise"





WILD FORTH

OUR WORK IN NUMBERS



ACTIONS TAKEN

since being involved in 2050 Climate Group

PERSONAL

"I have reduced my carbon footprint, but I believe that more than anything I've become much better at adequately communicating about the climate emergency and helping others understand their impact".

"Opening up the conversation about climate change to disengaged family and friends."

"I have made a conscious effort to fly less"

"More use of public transport"

"Minimising food waste, buying second hand electrical products."

PROFESSIONAL

"I set up a sustainability group called "GreenAngels" in my place of work. Now they have regular meetings and have put in place so many initiatives"

"I stood for election to be a community councillor"

"I successfully pushed for our work to commit to being carbon-neutral by 2030"

"Sharing and discussing climate actions within my work environment which I probably would not have had the confidence or drive to do previously"



2050 CLIMATE GROUP

WHAT'S THE BIGGEST CHANGE YOU HAVE SEEN IN YOURSELF SINCE BEING PART OF 2050 CLIMATE GROUP?

CONFIDENCE & SKILLS

"I have become more confident in my organisational and leadership skills."

"Backing my abilities!"

"The ability to jump right into a task with unfamiliar people!"

"I've become more decisive and feel more confident in these decisions"

"I have gained a wider transferable skill set"

"More confidence and more self-assured in public speaking"

CONNECTIONS

"More confident going to 'professional' work events as I generally know someone there from 2050 Climate Group or they have a connection to the charity."

"I've really benefited from being part of the 2050 community, the connections and meeting all the cool inspiring people who are involved with the group."

MINDSET

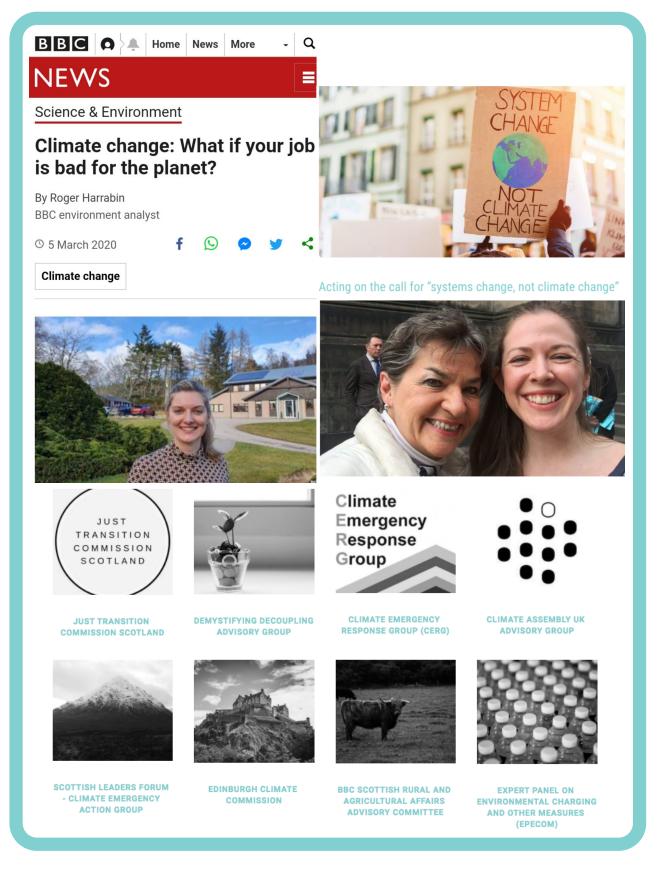
"I'm more aware of the impact of links between sustainability and fun!"

"I am much more optimistic about saving the planet because I know there are so many dedicated individuals - both volunteers and within the Leaders Network who are really passionate about the cause. I think if I wasn't involved I would feel a lot more helpless about the whole situation."

"Motivation!"

#2050startsnow

WE EXPRESSED THE YOUTH VOICE THROUGH WRITING AND BROUGHT IT TO SEVERAL CLIMATE ORIENTATED WORKING GROUPS AND COMMITTEES



LOOKING AHEAD

COVID-19 HAS BEEN SUCH A HUGE GLOBAL CHALLENGE. WE ARE VERY PROUD OF HOW WE HAVE ADAPTED TO THE SITUATION AS A CHARITY AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO ENSURE THAT OUR YOUNG PEOPLE FEEL CONNECTED WITH ONE ANOTHER AND ABLE TO CONTINUE ON IN THEIR CLIMATE ACTION JOURNEY.

WHAT'S NEXT FOR 2050 CLIMATE GROUP?

As the climate issue becomes ever more prevalent and clear in the world's consciousness, as does the crucial need for climate action increase by the hours and days. We are now in a decade that will be fundamental in influencing the future of civilisation and the planet as we know it dependent on the choices and actions we make.

With our strategic plan for 2019-22 as our compass we look to continue and build on the work of 2050 Climate Group. This will involve developing our Leaders Network engagement, hosting another Landmark summit and continued adaption to digital events/engagement.

Here are just some things we will be focussing on developing across the next year:

Leaders Network Membership Scheme -Gathering Findings from AndThen Project -Launch of a new website.

YOUNG LEADER

"I've been a part of the 2050 Climate Group for almost 8 months now. As I'm writing this, I'm currently back home in India, and we know the whole world's going through a tough time (hang in there world!). But to see everyone in this organisation trying to do their best for themselves and the people around them, and still pushing through to bring about a change in their communities, environment, the country and eventually the whole world in terms of climate change - is truly remarkable. Online meetings, delivering YLDP modules in a digital format - and so much more!"

OUR SUPPORTERS





