**Our Generation Our Vote Manifesto Policy Summaries**

We recommend that you print these summaries for your learners ahead of delivering the session so they are able to use them as part of the activity outlined in the session.

***Disclaimer:***

*These are youth-friendly summaries of some promises that some of the major political parties are making before the 2024 general election. These summaries are based on the political parties’ manifestos. A manifesto is a publication written by a political party before a general election which sets out what the party is promising to do about different issues. Manifestos can be thousands of words long, so this document provides a summary of some of the policy areas relating to issues that young people thought were most important, based on a survey carried out by ‘Our Generation. Our Vote.’ We have aimed to make this document accessible to various age groups and included* [*a glossary here*](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1pN0bKrPuiIRuuUbSl6bybJmkgkqg2fFKLo_zJ5gxqCg/edit) *to explain some of the more difficult terms. We have shared these summaries with the political parties who are named in them. Other parties may also be standing in your area. You can find links to the* [*full party manifestos on Democracy Classroom*](https://www.democracyclassroom.com/resource-page/manifestos-for-general-election-july-2024) *and in the ‘how to vote’ PowerPoint presentations.*

**The Labour Party**

**The Leader of the party says:**

 “Politics should be driven  by a sense of service to the  country, not considerations of party or self-interest.  If you work hard then – whoever you are, wherever you started in life – Britain is a country that will respect your contribution and give you a fair chance to get on.” – **Keir Starmer, Leader of the Labour Party**

**Youth-Friendly Manifesto Policy Summary:**

**Climate and Environment**

* Double wind power on land, triple solar power, and quadruple wind power in our seas by 2030 to deliver renewable energy.
* Create Great British Energy, a company owned by the British public that will use sun, wind and wave energy to save £93 billion for UK households.
* Make Britain one of the best countries in the world for clean energy to cut bills and create jobs.

**Cost of Living**

* Free breakfast clubs in every primary school to support parents through the cost-of-living crisis.
* Make school uniforms cheaper by reducing branded items of uniform and PE kits.
* Review Universal Credit so that it makes work pay and tackles poverty.

**Education**

* Recruit 6,500 teachers in key subjects and set up 3,000 new nurseries in primary schools.
* Give 16- and 17-year-olds the right to vote in all elections.
* Children will be able to study a creative or vocational subject until they are 16-years old, and every young person will be able to do two weeks of work experience.

**Health**

* Recruit new dentists to work in areas that need them the most and deliver 700,000 more urgent dental appointments.
* Recruit 8,500 additional mental health staff during our first term in government.
* Cut NHS waiting times with 40,000 more appointments every week.

 **Immigration and Refugees**

* Stop the current plans to send illegal migrants to Rwanda with a programme called New Border Security Command, so that we can have new investigators, intelligence officers and cross-border police officers.
* Add 1,000 staff, to speed up the process of removing people who do not have the right to stay in the UK and send them to safe countries.
* Hire additional staff to work through overdue asylum-seeking cases, and stop using hotels for asylum-seekers, which will save billions of pounds.

**Safety**

* Create a new Young Futures programme with hubs in every community, to support young people’s mental health and avoid them being drawn into crime.
* Continue the work of the Online Safety Act to keep everyone safe online, particularly on social media.
* Create a new Neighbourhood Policing Guarantee, and recruit thousands of new police officers.

*\*Unfortunately due to the need to provide materials quickly in advance of the election, some materials are being provided in English only. If you need Welsh translations of these materials please get in touch at team@ourgenerationourvote.org.uk and we will get back to you as soon as possible.*

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