



# Scottish Young Greens Constitution

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Scottish Young Greens AGM

## 1. Definitions

1.1. Scottish Young Greens (SYG) is the radical, independently organised youth representative group of the Scottish Green Party.

1.2. In terms of Scottish Green Party's (SGP) own Constitution, SYG is a representative group with associated rights and responsibilities.

## 2. Purposes

2.1. The SYG is an ecosocialist organisation. The primary purpose of the SYG will be to encourage and promote ecosocialism and youth engagement with Green politics at all levels in Scotland.

2.1.1. Electing Greens at all levels, in particular to student and youth bodies

2.1.2. Participating in or leading issue-based campaigns at local, national or global level

2.2. To raise funds to pursue SYG purposes.

2.3. To be an efficient and self-sustaining organisation with a clear, accessible structure and decision making processes, with the necessary autonomy to develop these structures to suit our unique needs, and without undue reliance on the SGP.

2.4. To represent Young Greens views to SGP, including bringing forward SYG policy motions to SGP conference as desired.

2.5. To represent SGP to Young Greens and encourage Young Greens to join SGP.

## 3. Operation & Membership

3.1. Membership of the SYG is open to anyone aged 12-30 inclusive, except people who are members of a UK political party (or the youth organisation of such) other than the SGP or other UK Green Parties, and in line with any relevant Membership Procedure.

3.2. General Meetings of the SYG will be the supreme decision-making body of the SYG, to which all other SYG bodies will be accountable.

3.2.1. An Annual General Meeting (AGM) must be held at least once each calendar year and in line with any relevant Standing Orders. At least four

weeks' notice of the date and venue for the AGM must be given, along with a note of posts up for election and associated job descriptions.

3.2.2. SYG members will elect an SYG National Council Yearly at the AGM.

3.3. Unless otherwise stated, any governing documents (including internal policies, rules, procedures and standing orders) may be amended by a simple majority vote at a general meeting, or a two-thirds majority of the SYG National Council.

## 4. Amending the Scottish Young Greens Constitution

4.1. The Constitution can be amended at an AGM by a two thirds majority vote of all SYG members in attendance and who have submitted valid online votes. Proposed amendments to the Constitution must be circulated two weeks in advance of AGM via email.

4.2. This constitution may be replaced in its entirety subject to a two thirds majority vote in favour of a new constitution submitted by SYG Council. This vote should be held in line with other provisions relating to AGMs.

4.2.1. Such a proposed new constitution must be circulated four weeks in advance of an AGM to allow members to propose amendments, which themselves must be circulated two weeks in advance of AGM. Amendments to a proposed constitution require only a simple majority of votes.