

How to share the Youth Manifesto with your MSPs

- 1) Visit www.writetothem.com
- 2) Enter your postcode to find out who your MSPs are.
- 3) Select one MSP at a time (you'll need to send your message to each individually).
- 4) Copy the text below and paste it into the message box.
- 5) We *strongly* encourage you to personalise your message in some way (this makes it more meaningful & powerful!) e.g. *"As a young person in Scotland, I spend a lot of time by the coast and I want to see our seas protected."* You could also write a bit about which of the manifesto asks are most important to you.
- 6) Double-check your message looks good.
- 7) Hit send
- 8) Repeat for each MSP (remember, you have 8 of them!)

Subject: Please support the Youth Manifesto for Scotland's Seas

Dear [MSP name],

I am writing to urge you to support the Youth Manifesto for Scotland's Seas (www.youthforseas.org/youth-manifesto). Young people across Scotland have set out clear priorities for ensuring our seas remain healthy and thriving for future generations, and we need political leaders to act now to protect our marine environment.

Scotland's seas are home to incredible biodiversity and play a vital role in tackling the climate crisis, supporting coastal communities, and sustaining our economy. Yet they are under increasing pressure from overfishing, pollution, habitat loss, and the impacts of climate change. Without urgent action, the health of our marine environment and the benefits it provides will continue to be at risk.

This matters to be because...[insert why **you** believe more action is needed]

The Youth Manifesto highlights what young people believe is most urgently needed to ensure our seas are managed sustainably for the long term, including:

- Protecting biodiversity and marine habitats
- Tackling marine pollution & plastic waste
- Ending overfishing and promotion sustainable seafood
- Improving ocean literacy

Together, these priorities reflect a vision for healthy, resilient seas that can support people, wildlife, and livelihoods now and in the future.

Will you commit to including these priorities in your party's manifesto ahead of next year's elections and to taking concrete steps to safeguard Scotland's seas for generations to come?

Yours sincerely,

[Your Name]

[Postcode]