

It's Gotta Be Ollie

YL Membership Development Officer



I joined the party in 2015 because I was too young to vote, so I thought I might as well join us. Since then I've **created a new university society, campaigned across the country from Cornwall to Cumbria, and worked for ALDC.** In May this year I was the agent for Salford Quays, where I helped develop the campaign that saw us **gain the seat with 60% of the vote.** I currently live and work in London where I campaign with the Tower Hamlets Liberal Democrats and across the city.

Training is my thing; I was really proud to help members get more involved with campaigning and train them up during my time at university. **At ALDC it was my job to coordinate training that was delivered online and at Kickstart,** and working with YL and LDHQ to ensure we were delivering the right training at the right time for the right people. I've carried that forward into my current full time role coordinating training for businesses on how Parliament works.

Training

I will work closely with ALDC and LDHQ to ensure that YL has access to the fantastic training that's on offer from across the party, working with members and the executive to identify training priorities. I will also work to develop bespoke training for YL if and when needed, and deliver YL training at conferences (YL, federal, regional etc) and action days where appropriate. Internal training for things like policy writing are things I would also work with other exec members to deliver.

1	'Off the shelf' ALDC training module 1
2	'Off the shelf' ALDC training module 2
3	Bespoke YL training - campaigning around exam time
Drop in sessions	
Affinity	Connect

A reasonable target to aim for is a federally-ran development day in each of Scotland, Wales, and England, and then enable regions to deliver their own, supporting where necessary.

Support for key activists

I know from personal experience that it can be tough being a key campaigner (e.g agent, candidate, councillor etc) as a young person - so I will make sure that the support is there from me, the executive, and the wider party/ALDC to help you do the best you can whilst looking after your own wellbeing.

New & At Risk Members

New Members Days

New members days to welcome new young people into the party and YL. I would aim to have these across the regions and nations, and work with regional and state executives to do this.

I'll support regions to run phone banks for their new and lapsing members. Hopefully this is something local parties are already doing on a blanket basis, but having something specifically aimed at young people and promoting the Young Liberals will be a big boost.