Children's Champion for Rochdale & Pennine or Heywood & Middleton





ROCHDALE BOROUGH COUNCIL

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Owen Johnson

is the Current

Children's Champion for Borough of Rochdale



Owen attends Parkfield Primary School Middleton

Erin Pollitt

is the Current

Deputy Children's Champion



Erin attends St Mary's CE Primary School Rochdale

This Year is Different!!

We usually have just one Children's Champion and Deputy for the whole of Rochdale Borough but this year we are looking for 2 Champions and 2 Deputies. The young people elected would represent children from:

- Rochdale & Pennine
- Heywood & Middleton

This is your chance to speak for children in the areas in which they live.

Rochdale Borough Children's Council

The aim is to give children and young people of the Borough between the ages of 8-11 a voice which will be heard and listened to by the Local Authority, Police Authority, NHS and many other agencies who have the interests and views of children and young people as a high priority.

Children's Council

- Encouraging children to take part in Sports
- Mental health champions in schools to help with anxiety
- Fund raising for Charity



- Discussing different school meals that schools have in place
- Consultation about disused station platforms
- Litter Picking



Children's Champion & Deputy

Roles and Responsibilities

- Term of office is 1 year
- Represent the voice of children from across either Rochdale/Pennine or Heywood & Middleton
- Work with the Member of Youth Parliament to help improve the lives of children and young people in Rochdale Borough.
- Attend and chair (take lead) meetings for Rochdale Children's Council held monthly on a Saturday mormin
- To have enthusiasm, energy and take an interest in the rights of children and young people and work in getting this message to all children.

Examples of What Children's Champion & Deputy Do....

- Writing & practicing presentations & speeches
- Speaking with Service Directors at Rochdale Council about manifesto points
- Creating a ways to get information and opinions from children & parents / carers / teachers
- Attending events & meeting elected members and council officials
- Meeting with Member of Youth Parliament

Our Ideal Candidates

- Approachable
- Committed
 - Friendly
- Thoughtful
- Willing Learner
 - Team Player

• Good Listener

• Reliable

Rochdale

• Caring

- Enthusiastic
 - Confident
 - Helpful

Process

- Applicants for Children's Champion need to be in Year 4 or Year 5
- Closing date for applications is Friday 5th May
- Interview day is Saturday 13th May
- Election: w/c 12th June Voting Packs will be in schools for 2 weeks
- Results announced 4th July 2023

Please ask your teacher for a pack if you want to apply to be a candidate for Children's Champion or want Join Rochdale Borough Children's Council



