**Liam Scanlon-Brown for Honorary Vice President**

My Lib Dem Experience

I have been in the party since December 2014 and have been active for the past 2 and a half years, helping in local elections, PCC elections and everything in between. I stood as a candidate in the 2017 council elections, and although I didn’t win, this has spurred me on to help others and build a base to win in 2021.

Since the election, I am now our local party’s chair, and have been the Campaign Organiser for North East Young Liberals since March of this year. We’ve done an excellent job in reigniting this and are working hard to get young liberals across the region elected. This has opened a whole new world to me as I was pleasantly surprised how many like minded liberals there are in the North East.

My Personal Experience

I’m 21 and from Chester-Le-Street in County Durham. I have just finished studying History and Politics at Northumbria, completing my dissertation in local government finance \*mimics snoring\*. Politics has always interested me for a while, but being the only Lib Dem in a room full of Corbynites nearly sent me over the edge during Uni.

I was also lucky enough to take part in the Euroscola scheme back in 2015, which gave a great insight as to how others from around Europe viewed the project.

Why me for Honorary Vice President?

I am a keen campaigner, mainly for local issues, but many of the YL ideas go a long way to helping solve issues that some of us face daily. I would support anyone willing to come up with new ideas to put them forward to the exec and would encourage anyone who had brilliant ideas to get the support needed to put them to conference.

Mainly, I would honour the role by attending the meetings and sharing the views of other young liberals. I would support the exec in their efforts to put ideas forward to conference through drumming up support amongst other YL members.

Mostly, I feel that the role would give me the opportunity to put across a different viewpoint from a part of the country that I feel has been left behind in some aspects in the past.