



Nominations Booklet

DF Committee Elections 2025

DF Committee Elections are upon us, and they're happening between Saturday 16th - Sunday 17th August at the EveryThing.

Enclosed in this document you will find all the nominations for this year's elections. We've had a record number of nominations this time around, and so this booklet takes a bit of a different format than you might be used to.

Voting Information:

If you are attending the EveryThing in person, you will be able to vote whilst you are there.

If you are unable to attend this event, please register to vote by **9am on Saturday 16th August** using [**THIS FORM**](#). We will then send you a digital ballot to fill out over the weekend.

Happy voting!

Tyler and Wilf
Althing 2025 Coordinators

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Committee Roles:

Activism Representative:

“You will coordinate the DF movement’s political activity nationally, as well as liaising with local groups to support their activism. At the 2025 Woodcraft Folk AGM, the organisation expressed a desire to be more political. As Activism Rep, you will be instrumental in that success!”

- **Stella Azurdia-Fraser** (17)
- **Sumi Inglis** (18)
- **Rowan Hawker** (18)

Stella Azurdia-Fraser (17)

I have experience with activism within Woodcraft as I helped to organise and facilitate Scotland’s Move for Palestine fundraising event last year. The Kelvingrove branch seems to be activism-focused in a way that should be spread across Woodies, so I would love to work in DF committee to turn general consensus into action.

Sumi Inglis (18)

I would like to use this role to increase DF presence in non-Woodcraft organised activism by contacting organisations such as Extinction Rebellion and Palestine Solidarity Campaign, and providing an official DF presence at protest/campaigns. As national Woodcraft is setting up a ‘campaigns’ team, I would try to get a DF presence in any forms of activism put forth by them. I would also like to use the role to help DF groups, or any individual DFs that want to organise their own protest/activism both logistically and by providing resources involving: safety in protesting, rights, and methods of activism that could be effective for their cause.

Rowan Hawker (18)

I would like to bring back and reinforce the core values of woodcraft of action and activism. I would talk to GC to get a clear view on what we can do to get our voices heard whilst respecting and discussing the boundaries of being a charity. I believe that I would be good at this role as I have experience in leading activism groups and an understanding of how important and vital this is to every person.

Vote for me Rowan Hawker pleeeeeease. Blue skies.

Chair of DF Committee:

“You must keep DF Committee moving forwards as one team and help coordinate DF business events. It’s extremely important you understand this position is not the leader of DFs because DFs doesn’t have a leader. Think of it as more of a pastoral/management kind of deal. If you have big ideas for the movement and are good with people and communicating, this role is for you.”

- **Aisling Stuart (19)**

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Hello! My name’s Aisling and I am running for chair in this year’s election.

You may already know me as the current co-events representative or maybe you’ve seen me around at events. DFs is such an important part of my life and I have had the pleasure to see the movement grow and shape since I joined woodcraft, this has been a large motivator for me to run for chair. Since the pandemic, DFs has struggled but I’ve seen first hand how we have recovered as an organisation and I believe that we can continue along this path of success to revitalise and improve our movement. If I am elected I want to bring back much loved events, such as: Span That World

With Music, which has previously been incredibly well received and provides an invaluable opportunity to showcase talent from both DFs and other music artists whilst raising money for the movement. Your vote would allow me to coordinate these events and continue to pave a new future for DFs. Thank you.

Communications Representative:

“You will manage the online presence of the movement, including the DF Instagram and the spanthat.world website. DF Committee is always looking for new ways to evolve and communicate with the membership, so if you think you’ve got the key or the secret, this is the role for you. (There’s a mailing list everyone’s been signing up to for a while that could really do with some emails being sent through it!!)”

- **Lizzie Cadoux** (17)
- **Angus Crocker** (17)
- **Caitlin Small** (17)
- **Hazel Willis** (18)
- **George Baker** (19)

Lizzie Cadoux (17)

Hi everyone! I’ve been a part of DFs now for two years and I now want to give back and make wider change by being on committee. I’m running for Communications Representative because I’ve got experience running my college’s Instagram page, I’ve done my own online archiving project of DF material from the Wayback Machine and I’ve been the primary editor of the DF Wikipedia page (rip), therefore I feel very equipped to make information about DFs fun, accessible and accurate. I’m also objectively qualified via an A-Level in English Language, which, as many of you who’ve had to listen to me complain about my English class on camp, also shows incredible resilience as an individual in general.

I help run Red Kite Elfin in Leicester, which has helped me expand my creativity, consistency and patience, all necessary skills for this role. On the topic of my Elfin group, if I was elected to committee, I’d love to support more DFs to volunteer in local groups, as well as facilitate projects linking the DF movement to wider woodcraft. There was a beautiful article on the Wayback Machine about this called ‘All Trees Need their Roots’ that even 15 years later rings so remnant. Thank you for reading!

Angus Crocker (17) + Caitlin Small (17)

Angus

DFs have a reputation of being disorganised. This is not a fair reputation; it's clear that hard work, care, and many hours of careful planning are given to the ambitious projects that the DF movement prides itself on. But the reputation remains. Why?

It's because there is no transparency: events such as 2025s "The Everything" are sprung upon the membership at short notice, leaving people confused and not allowing them to plan for these events in advance.

As a younger DF, I often get the impression that the older DFs have some understanding of how the movement is run, that they assume everybody just knows. This is not true, we must explicitly explain how DFs works to new members.

For 16 and 17 year olds, DFs is the first time that they are directly responsible for organising their own membership, their own booking for camps, their own transportation. That is a daunting prospect for many, and is a huge factor as to why so many young people leave Woodcraft after Venturers.

As Communication Rep, I would ensure that our messaging is Clear, Friendly, Welcoming, and Useful. We must have easily accessible information in plain language about how to become a DF and how to get involved with the movement. This would allow us to retain members, gain new ones, and have them more invested in the movement.

On our website, I would:

1. Create an easily understandable guide for how to become a DF.
2. Introduce a map showing the positions of DF groups around the country for new members and people moving across the country for university.
3. Add a simple form for people interested in starting up an active DF group, so we can create connections between DFs in nearby areas.
4. Simplify minutes of meetings into an updated blog format, similar to the existing "news" tab.

On our Instagram, I would:

1. Create a less formal atmosphere, using it as a window into the DF process instead of an announcement board.
2. Collaborate with the active DF groups around the country to showcase how different groups are run.

And finally I would use the DF mailing list more, to give updates, details of camps and other events directly to members who may not be actively seeking them out.

Why should you trust that I can fulfill my promises?

I've been a member of the Woodcraft Folk my entire life. Its values are deeply rooted in me. At a District level I've been involved in planning and running our camps through my role as District Equipment Officer since I was 13, including on Camp 100 recently. Furthermore, I restarted the Exeter DFs when I moved up - leading to us becoming one of the most active DF groups in the country - and have since become the de facto spokesperson for the group at District meetings.

Open communication with our membership is the best way to gain trust, drive engagement and get people excited about the ambitious projects that DFs are known for. We live in an exciting time where our movement can drive change, make impact. We must be open and honest with our members, keep them informed and make being in the DF movement an obvious choice. Our movement is stronger together.

Caitlin

I know first-hand that the DF age range includes a lot of life changes for a lot of people, such as going to university or moving away from home. I would therefore like to add more content onto the website about individual DF groups, as well as setting up a communication line between people interested in continuing with weekly meetings in a new place, and those groups themselves. I believe that this will encourage more national connections, as well as supporting individuals to build community and feel more welcome. Additionally, this will help people to stay engaged and involved in Woodcraft beyond their home district and camps. I am also aiming to uphold the standard of our social media, as well as including more posts after camps to show people what we have done.

Hazel Willis (18)

I have always had a vision for it since my first few camps. I feel we should expand our communications past what they are now, interact more with

woodcraft at large, create more ways of letting people know about camps that just insta. I also feel that there is often a disconnect once people leave camps, the community of DFs is spread out across the country and I think that community often loses contact outside of events.

Some ideas I have for this are:

Adding a mailing list for DFs, to email people when camps are on. This in theory already exists but isn't used?

Trying to get information about DFs and our camps to local districts and groups and keeping communication with woodcraft at large, our presence on venturer camp 2023 was a great example and I believe many of us can see the impact of it.

Attempting to expand DF come to WhatsApp discord or both, something that has been mentioned before I believe (*this is logistically difficult however*)

These are the sorts of things I want to do

I will not tell you that I WILL do them

Honestly I have no idea how possible they are

And I will disclose that I am struggling with my mental health which could get in the way (*this is not supposed to get a pity vote or anything, I just feel you should know the reality of who or what you're voting for*)

But I can tell you that I will absolutely try to do these things

To the best of my ability I intend to try and make them a reality

George Baker (19)

Communications is an important role. We are in the Information Age, where everything you would ever want to know is on the internet. This information needs to be easily accessible, reliable and regularly updated. With me as the DF communications representative I will guarantee these

3 key points will be fulfilled to ensure woodcraft DFs and any other inquisitive individuals will be able to easily comprehend what events are approaching, as well as how they can get involved.

I help run my works instagram, posting media and captioning posts with relevant information. I intend to keep DFs social media presence louder, making fun and engaging posts, to keep woodcraft on people's minds and part of their community.

Xoxo, the pizza guy

Shadow Events Representative:

“You will assist and learn from the events rep in overseeing the organisation of national DF events. Many people go on to become the events rep after completing this role”

- **Eva Buultjens-Gold (17)**
- **Hazel Willis (18)**
- **Jonah Yudkin Dibdin (18)**

Eva Buultjens-Gold (17)

Hey! I'm Eva, I'm 17 and from Hackney District. Having been involved in the coordination of several DF and general Woodcraft events; with my standout roles being Admin Coord of the 2025 DF Everything Camp (!!!!!) and co-MEST UP coordinator at Camp 100, I feel as though I possess the skill set needed to fulfil this role and understand how to put together events in a way that benefits DFs nationally. Having completed a year as Venturer Liaison, I think that I would slot in well as a member of committee and am aware of the expectations and actions required of me in this role. I am really organised and work best in a team which I feel really suits the DF way of arranging camps and events. I'm confident but (hopefully) not bossy, which means I'm able to organise those I'm in a team with to ensure things actually get done. I have a few ideas of how to improve the DF events calendar if elected, such as defunding and shortening Spring Awakening and upfunding Autumn Nocturne to suit the popularity of each event, and you can hear more about that and all my other great ideas if you vote for me! I have so much respect for the hard work and efforts of the past Events reps and hope that if I am elected I can honor this organisation and assist in bringing forth THE NEW DAWN OF DFS!!!!!!

Hazel Willis (18)

Honestly the biggest motivator for me running for a role is that I want to be more involved in DFs. I want to give back to this beautiful amazing thing and these wonderful people that has given so much to me I want to help and be useful and effective positive change and I will try my level best in that regard *(Also not insignificantly I wanna spend as much time as possible in DFs and being on the committee means grey area ages :P)*

Jonah Yudkin Dibdin (18)

As shadow events rep, my main goal would be to ensure spring awakening 2026 happens! As well as facilitating the events reps ideas, I would especially focus on ensuring individuals can make personal arrangements to attend . I have organised local and regional camps and events my group and district which has meant I will have a familiarity with the requirements of this role despite being new to the committee. I am passionate about ensuring transport is as easy as possible for as many potential attendees as I can make it. I am prepared to be working with the events rep throughout the year to make being at a DF event enjoyable for all.

Events Representative

“You will oversee the organisation of national DF events. It’s important to note that this does not mean you have to organise each event! You just have to be responsible for setting up the various co-ord teams and making sure they have what they need to do a good job. This year, you will also face the scary challenge of making sure Spring awakening happens, as the last two of those went missing...”

- **Nyx Cook-Hayward (18)**

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I have been the shadow events representative for the past year, so have learnt much about how the role works. In this role, I was key in supporting the events representatives when they were busy with other commitments- for example, booking the site and doing the site visit for winter wonderland. Additionally, I have been a part of many coord teams for different events, and have managed to do all four roles (*admin, programme, KP, KE*) within these teams, giving me a greater depth of understanding as to what these roles require, which will mean that I am better able to organise the coord teams for future events. In sum, my prior experience with DF Committee and coord teams will mean that I am well equipped to carry out this role well.

Fundraising Representative:

"You will apply for grants for the DF movement, as well as assisting local DF groups in their fundraising. In the past we have had fundraising reps coordinate DFs volunteering at festivals, as well as sorting out DF merchandise. After the heavy merch game of Camp 100, we have a duty to keep it going."

No Nominations Received

Lay Member (Odd):

"On paper the Lay Member doesn't have a job, but when the going gets tough for someone on committee, the lay member gets going!!! You'll be asked to step in to support other members of committee with their tasks when they run out of capacity. This role is a real wildcard so if you're not sure what you want to do on committee, maybe this could be your calling."

- **Hazel Willis** (18)
- **Meli Wallbank** (20)

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Meli Wallbank (20)

Having been a part of DF committee as MEST-UP coordinator I've seen first hand how stressful having a role can become, having to balance duties with everyday life. As well as already having experience on committee I feel as though I'd be a great choice. Becoming Lay member would mean a lot for me, meaning I could help my fellow DFs when they are feeling overwhelmed or need a little bit of extra help!

Safeguarding Representative:

“You will manage any safeguarding issues arising from the national DF movement, maintaining a point of contact between those affected, DF Committee and the Woodcraft Folk safeguarding team. This one's really good for your CV.”

- **Caitlyn McArthur** (18)
- **Nuala Doak** (20)

Caitlyn McArthur (18)

I'm running for Safeguarding Representative because I am passionate about promoting the safety and well-being of all young people. I studied safeguarding at college and am currently training to be a Primary School teacher. This means I have done a lot of safeguarding training already. I have also done multiple safeguarding courses through Woodcraft. I am currently the leader of my DF group and I help run our Woodchips group. I am always looking out for the young people in my district and helping where I can. I would love to help DFs remain an awesome and safe environment for all young people across the nation.

Nuala Doak (20)

As a previous Events Representative on committee, I feel well equipped to handle safeguarding issues as they arise. In my term I will also work on how we can better prevent certain issues and how we can react better when they occur. I would also use this role as an opportunity to expand pastoral care for volunteers in DFs, hopefully collaborating with other committee members to create solutions and strategies to improve the issue. We consistently see too much strain on volunteers and not enough in place to support them. Electing me as safeguarding representative would see more support being brought to the table all across the DF movement and some lasting structures of support that we can hand on to future DFs!

Secretary of the Movement:

“You’ll take responsibility for organising DF meeting agendas, policies and procedure documents and the DF constitution. If you enjoy organising documents and files, this one will be great for you!”

- **Lara Sayers (18)**

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Woodcraft has always been a huge part of my life ever since I was a woodchip. Being Secretary of the movement would give me a chance to help support and build on the movement which has always meant so much to me. I am a reliable and responsible person, with vital skills that I have developed through previous secretarial roles. Writing and organisation have always been my strong suits, and I am trustworthy and efficient when it comes to the “behind-the-scenes” work involved to ensure that everything runs smoothly. As secretary I would hope to be a supportive force in keeping the movement organised and supporting other members of the committee in their roles. I will aim to help make DFs remain a joyful and accessible place for all young people, creating an inclusive space where everyone can feel comfortable in themselves. I have always wanted to take a more active role in woodcraft, and I hope this role will give me the opportunity to do so in a way that best caters to my own skillset.

Shadow MEST-UP Coordinator:

“This role is all about supporting the current MEST UP coordinator, so if you’re interested in getting involved with MEST UP but would like to train under the current MEST UP coordinator first, this role is for you!”

- **Hazel Willis (18)**

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MEST-UP Coordinator:

“MEST UP is what sets DFs apart from other youth movements, and as such requires a coordinator to make sure it keeps pace with the ever-changing world. You’ll be asked to liaise with the MEST UP reps and coordinate their training and workshops.”

- **Anna Lennon (19)**

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I have been very involved in the running of mestup this year as my partner has been mestup coordinator. I've been coordinator of the very successful mestup centre at camp-100 at which I ran several workshops and took on multiple stewarding shifts. I am familiar with the topics mestup covers, calm and empathetic in stressful situations, and passionate about the DF movement. I believe this experience makes me uniquely suited to coordinate mestup.

Training Representative:

“You will coordinate training sessions for DFs, usually by getting external organisations to come to our events. We especially need first aid training all the time, so if you have experience in that, please apply for this!!”

No Nominations Received

Shadow Treasurer:

“You will train under the current Treasurer with a view to becoming the next treasurer of the DF movement, responsible for managing our national finances. You can only be elected as the DF Treasurer if you have completed a term of this role beforehand due to legal obligations.”

- **Larry Goodwin (17)**

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Hi I'm Larry, I've been at woodcraft for 8yrs now and have loved being part of DFs for the past yr and a half. DFs are so unique and I want to continue to make our camps and getaways available to all DFs, regardless of financial status or location in the uk.

I hope to bring my experience dealing with finances on the youth board of the Jack Petchey Foundation and fundraising within my local community to this role and pledge to work hard with the current treasurer to ensure that I have the necessary skills when my time as treasurer comes.

Treasurer:

“We have a legal obligation to have a treasurer who manages the finances of the DF movement. You will be responsible for the bank account, as well as ensuring we've received the correct payments for the correct things”

- **Alex Thompson (18)**

Alex Thompson (18)

Hello, I'm Alex and I am running for treasurer. I have worked as the shadow treasurer for the past year, and while granted have done almost nothing for it, I do believe I have learned our systems well enough. I also have a background in maths and law, and so already have a rough idea of what to do. I have spent the last year in DFs grafting to make the next event happen as part of the dream team. People have already seen the way I expertly handle the budgets, and I never make any errors by misreading the websites - I'm sure literally everyone will attest to this. Ignoring this slight blunder, I am ready to take on the role, keeping our books in order and making sure everyone is paid promptly. Also people

please vote me, its litch already on my CV and personal statement so yous would actually be f***ing me in the ass backwards if i'm not elected.

Supervisory Roles:

Accessibility Representative:

“You must ensure the decisions Committee makes work for the movement as a whole, and that events are as accessible as possible. It’s your job to scrutinise DF Committee, so if you fancy holding them to account, go for this role.”

No Nominations Received

Sustainability Representative:

“You must ensure each of the decisions Committee makes do not harm the environment unnecessarily, and that events are being organised with sustainability and the planet in mind. If you’re passionate about the environment or renewable technology, DF committee could really use some recommendations and guidance to inform their decisions.”

- **Rowan Hawker (18)**

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I believe I would be good for this position as I am extremely passionate about the environment. I have been in many groups related to sustainability, including Youth Strike For Climate, Stop Ecoside and many more. I would ensure that any decisions that are made do not harm the environment. In addition, I would like to make our camps more environmentally friendly to reduce our impact as much as possible.

Blue skies

Rowan Hawker

Non Committee Roles:

Big Camps Representative:

“Following Camp 100, DFs now have two new big events to look forward to! This role will be responsible for liaising with the teams behind the DF 50th Anniversary camp in 2027 and International Camp 2030”

No Nominations Received

First Aid Fairy:

“There is a national DF first aid kit that gets brought to each event. Our previous first aid fairy put a lot of work into making it up to date and safe, and it’s now up to you to make sure it stays that way. If you want to manage the glorious spreadsheet of our first aid supplies, this is the place to do it.”

- **Hazel Willis (18)**

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I love and am great at bringing a bunch of stuff to camp, literally bought my own high Vis's that I'm bringing to this one cause we never have enough. I also love spreadsheets and being a fairy.

General Council Representative (Odd):

"In this role, you will be dispatched to Woodcraft Folk's General Council and join the board of trustees in shaping the entire organisation. It's a big responsibility, but you'll learn an awful lot. Plus, you'll be expensed to go on multiple GC residentials each year with our other DF reps on the board."

- **Eva Buultjens-Gold (17)**

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Apart from being an involved DF, I am a really passionate member of Woodcraft as a whole. Having been part of Woodies since I was 6, and from Hackney district where we've always been really united and organised, I've had nothing but the utmost respect for this organisation since I was a little kid. I hope that being elected to General Council will provide me with the opportunity to give back to Woodcraft and DFs, as it's a space that I owe so much to, where I've met some of the best people and had some of the best times of my life. I think that I would be a good GC representative as again, I'm organised and confident. I'm absolutely able to express my views to, and even counter those already elected on GC, all of which are older and wiser than I, which is undeniably important in a democratic organisation. Furthermore, as I'm 17 and objectively at the start of my DF projectory, having a 2 year role will allow me to learn and grow within the role and I will finish my term with several years left of DFs in which to impart my learned GC- knowledge and make DFs better than ever before! Most importantly, I would be a good General Council rep because I love Woodcraft so much, and I want the best for this organisation; for my friends and for my younger siblings. If elected, I promise to do everything in my power to ensure that that happens.

Thanks! Vote for me please!

International Opportunities Representative:

"There are others like us across the world. We could learn a lot from the other youth wings of IFM SEI organisations, and in this role you'll be tasked with representing DFs on the World Stage. We would love to welcome international delegations to our events, and from conversations I had with international delegations on Camp 100, the feeling is mutual !!"

No Nominations Received

London Liaison:

“In this role you will be responsible for representing the interests of London DFs, and liaising with DF Committee when necessary regarding this”

- **Hazel Willis (18)**

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This role seems complimentary to DF comms which I am also running for. If another person is voted in for comms I am equally happy to be liaison on its own.

Scotland Liaison:

“In this role you will be responsible for representing the interests of Scottish DFs, and liaising with DF Committee when necessary regarding this”

- **Stella Azurdia-Fraser (17)**

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I really love being in Woodcraft, and would love to give back as Scottish Liaison. I've put a lot of time into Woodies over the years as Kelvingrove coms, and want to continue to be an active part in the movement, and to make sure Scotland are involved in the organisation of events.

Wales Liaison:

“In this role you will be responsible for representing the interests of Welsh DFs, and liaising with DF Committee when necessary regarding this”

No Nominations Received

“Manchester Leiasgon”:

“At Althing 2022 as a 17 year old I used the large Manchester contingent of DFs to lobby for a Manchester Liaison to be added to the roles. This was barely relevant at the time and is even less so now. As an example for what happens when people abuse democratic processes, this role remains, but in a different format. To find out more about this, please see the Althing 2024 minutes [HERE](#) . Run for this one. I dare you.” -Tyler

- **Angus Crocker** (17)
- **Hazel Willis** (18)
- **Alex Thompson** (18)
- **Jonah Yudkin Dibdin** (18)
- **Eunice Gardham** (19)

Angus Crocker (17)

I live about as far away from Manchester as is possible and I would do absolutely nothing with this role if I were elected other than enforce the air quotes.

Hazel Willis (18)

"Run for this one. I dare you."

Alex Thompson (18)

Right guys, buckle up. I still hate Manchester, and Bristol is still a btr city. Here I have composed a list of comments and thoughts from those around me about what they honestly think about this city:

- Daniel / Merlin: he thinks the city is too far away (*agreed*)
- Esme's boyfriend: the physics department is apparently bad
- According to the boyfriend of one of the 2030 organisers - this person claimed that they heard word on the street that the people are nasty
- Prof brian cox is there (*eww cringe*)
- Mother says that it rains too much (*unlike in shef (up the shef)*)
- It's hard to spell (*when compared with better cities such as bristol*)
- Apparently the microscopy department smells bad
- It's tylers spawnpoint (*love the guy and the fruit shop, but does kinda make the city a bit of a strange place*)
- Chatgpt thinks its getting too studenty

- Daniel / merlin was in Manchester and emerged from a nightclub into a minor bottle fight
- Name is too long and its shortening are cringe (*manny ewwwwww*)
- Tomorrow (*a bristol associate*) says "the people..." (*this is presumably an insult on all of the people, thought hopefully not all of them are bad apples*)
- It has manchester city football team in it (*need i say more*)
- Stella: thinks its like liverpool but s**t and man united havent won the champions league for 17 years
- It has a lot of traffic

As you can quite clearly see, these testimonials all come to the same conclusion, that Manchester is mid af. Please now read this list of 10 cities that I honestly believe are better than Manchester. This list is in no particular order.

Hull	Stoke-on-Trent
Luton	Slough
Bradford	Scunthorpe
Blackpool	Milton Keynes
Grimsby	Bristol

If elected, I will continue to beef this f***ing awful place, and I will start a submovement within DFs where we can have a safe space to beef manchester (the city not the people).

PS. Anyone that disagrees with this message can 1v1 me in a game of cookie clicker for all the marbles.

Jonah Yudkin Dibdin (18)

As a Newcastle resident, I have only ever been to Manchester in order to get a train somewhere else. However I am hoping to use this role to encourage more north of England groups to be involved in DF events and planning.

Eunice Gardham (19)

I am also running for "Manchester Leiasgon". I was there when this role was created. I voted for it. And now I think it is my time to put on the clown nose and become part of this legacy. I am from Manchester, I have a strong interest in news articles about the Mayor of Manchester, I know too much about the Bee Network, I love the Manchester Museum giant

spider crab deeply. I think this role really fits me. Further, I would love to make a zine documenting this history to prevent its loss to time, and I think I could do this much better by embodying the role. Also I know of a few new DFs (*and a fair few will age up soon*) in Manchester, so I suppose I could also do Leiasgonly duties and make sure they have the support to get involved in DFs. Maybe. Thank you :) - Eunice

Podcast Coordinator:

“You’ll be tasked with continuing [Fellows Radio](#), or reviving another form of our podcast such as the long forgotten DFM. The podcast can be really vital for helping our sense of community between events, so if you enjoy presenting or you are really good at talking to yourself, go for this role!”

No Nominations Received

Venturer Liaison:

“Venturer camp 2026 is next summer, and a new Venturer Committee was just elected at Camp 100. As Venturer Liaison, you’ll maintain the dialogue between the DFs who are organising the camp, and a committee of 13-15 year olds who are far more ambitious than any DF Committee could dream of being”

- **Suzanna Lloyd (17)**
- **Hazel Willis (18)**

Suzanna Lloyd (17)

I have been on venturer committee since it's revival in 2023 and would like to continue to play a part in ensuring it's continuation, particularly in the run up to V Camp next summer, where venturer input is particularly important.

As someone who struggled with the jump from venturers to DFs, I also want to help ease the transition for other young people, particularly those who may not have very active DF groups in their district, so they feel more confident in knowing what DFs does and how we operate, and in getting involved themselves.

Hazel Willis (18)

This role seems complimentary to DF comms which I am also running for. If another person is voted in for comms I am equally happy to be liaison on its own.

Zine:

"You will have responsibility for creating the DF Zine, which made a wonderful comeback in 2024/25. As editor-in-chief you can work with the DF movement to run zine workshops on events, or you can try a new format. It really is up to you. If you love zines and also DFs, do this one!!"

- **Lida Agarwal (18)**
- **Eunice Gardham (19)**

Lida Agarwal (18)

Hello! I would like to run, or co-run for Zine. I have a big love for collaging, zineing, and all things zine related. I also volunteer at the zine library in glasgow so I have a bit of experience with zine archiving ect. My vision for the DF zine is like a regular newsletter that is both informative and entertaining. With regular sections, a bit like the camp100 newspaper except with less big blocks of text. For instance there could be a woodcraft munch section, a horoscope section, an agony aunt/advice column where people could write in. It doesn't have to be rigid, and should very much encapture the messy, DIY spirit of both DF culture and Zine culture. I said co-run because I think Eunice might be running again and they were really good at it last year, but I would really like to be involved. Also I don't think I could manage to do the whole zine myself. But yeah. Please vote for me xx

Eunice Gardham (19)

Hihi! For the last year I have held the DF zine position, and I would really like the opportunity to continue. I have made a strong start in reviving the zine, making an Althing zine, a zine about helping make the DF zine (*meta*), an Autumn Nocturne zine, and a zine to DF age campers from an external queer org at camp 100, to help them feel prepared and welcomed in advance. I have also run workshops on events, and put together a DF zine library with curated sections by other roles, which I continue to collect for, and am eager to get more woodcraft history in (*see newer additions from camp 100*).

I think I still have more to bring to this role creatively, having learnt new skills working at the camp 100 printing press, and have many more zine ideas. I want to make more event based zines, work with other roles more (*maybe activism?*), and document more DF culture and stories. I also really want to put more focus on the future of the role beyond me. A second term would let me make lots of resources, and fine tune some of the things I struggled with. Distribution was tough for me and I only did it on events, but I have plans to get it online too, working closer with comms. I want to leave behind a clear model of doing things and support for any future zinester to build on, making it much easier, and hopefully reducing the chance of the zine dying again.

I am open to co-running if anyone wants to reach out, but equally I am open to DFs contributing as much as they want to the zine, whether they share the role or not - they could just email to get involved. If I am re-elected my next zine would be 'DF summer 25' and you could send any photo, art or written contributions on that theme to zine@spanthat.world.

Thank you :) - Eunice