

Youth Led Session- the outputs from the 2021vSRP Session on 6th March 2021

Session curated by Scottish Rural Action, delivered by the Social Enterprise Academy and facilitated by the Rural Youth Project and the Scottish Rural Network.



The 2021 Scottish Rural Parliament opened with a Youth-Led session which gave young people from across rural and island Scotland the opportunity to take part in a strength based visioning exercise and then communicate those visions to decision makers.

Summary of Presentations

During the session, the young people created videos around their vision for their communities in 2025 along themes chosen by them. The videos can be watched here.

Decision makers then responded to the visions, which was followed by a question-and-answer session chaired by Rebecca Dawes from the Rural Youth Project.

Discussion Points and Closing Remarks

The clear message across the session was the desire for rural and island young people to be involved in creating and contributing to a better, green and more equal future to their community. The ambition of young people and their ability to envisage creative solutions was also evident across the session.

Session Output and Future Directions

The young people's list of priorities can be read here. This session will contribute to the youth informed campaign to strengthen the voice of rural and island young people in decision making.

Other documents and initiatives mentioned during session:

• United Nation Convention on the Rights of the Child Incorporation Scotland Bill

https://www.parliament.scot/bills-and-laws/bills/united-nations-convention-on-the-rights-of-the-child-incorporation-scotland-bill