



Getting to the event...

*Richard Huish College
South Road, Taunton, TA1 3DZ*

Richard Huish College is located just 10 minutes walk from Taunton town centre and five minutes drive from the M5, junction 25.

From the M5, junction 25, follow signs towards Taunton town centre, along the A358 (Toneway), onto the A38. At the roundabout turn left into Chritchard Parkway (still A38) and continue until you reach the B3170 (South Road) turning on the left. Travel along this road and Richard Huish College is located on the right hand side of the road.

There is a pedestrian and cycle pathway to the rear of the College that leads to the town centre.



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Somerset UK Youth Parliament Elections



Your son or daughter has signed up to attend the Somerset UK Youth Parliament Election Day. This leaflet will give you an overview of what it's all about. If you have any further questions, please contact the Youth & Community Team.

What is Somerset UKYP?

There are three elected Members of Youth Parliament, three deputies and an advisory group. They are consulted by decision makers and represent views of the young people of Somerset locally, regionally and nationally.

What does an MYP do?

MYPs and Deputies are elected for a two year term of office. During this time they will work on their manifesto and take part in a wide range of opportunities. The role is hard work, so commitment is required, but it is very rewarding and well respected.



When & where?

The day will take place at Richard Huish College, South Road, Taunton on Saturday 10th December 2016. They will need to arrive by 9.45 am and the day will finish at 5 pm.

What happens during the day?

The young people will find out all about the Youth Parliament. They will take part in a range of workshops to develop their knowledge and help them prepare for the election process.

During the course of the day they will write their speech. Most young people choose to stand for election, but they can choose not to and just vote for their preferred representative.

By the end of the day the three MYPs and deputies will have been elected for the 2017-19 term of office. Youth & Community Service staff will be present all day to coordinate the event and support young people

Who can attend?

The day is open to all young people aged 11-18 years who live or attend school in Somerset. It is not possible for parents/carers to stay for the day except in exceptional circumstances (in which case you should contact us to make arrangements ahead of time).



What does it cost?

The simple answer is nothing!

There is no charge to attend the day and refreshments and lunch are provided.

What do I need to do?

A consent form will be sent to you in November, just make sure you complete and return it in good time. You will also need to make arrangements for them to get to and from the venue and ensure they are aware of that they must stay on site at all times.