

## **Moriah Mensah – Camden Youth MP Election 2020**

### **Moriah's Manifesto**

Hi, my name is Moriah Mensah. I'm 13 years old and I'm running for the position of Youth MP in Camden.

I am a young person and part of a diverse community ready to represent the valid perspectives our youth has to offer. Not only do I want to be a voice for the voiceless, but I also want to represent the people who do have a voice but are simply not heard.

My prior leadership experience in student councils and youth centres has built a foundation for my own intellectual growth. This experience conveyed to me and others that I have the ability to inspire and support a community and a generation through a journey to reach our true potential.

My goals and aspirations for the borough of Camden revolve around creating paths for the youth as we slowly become citizens of a progressive society. We experience a lot of pressure to achieve and become the public figures that make a difference. However, we can't become the next politicians, artists or surgeons if we don't have opportunities that make us determined to strive. How can we seek careers that we truly desire when there is no exposure to them?

Epidemics such as knife crime and mental illness are perpetuated because we have no escape and are trapped in a system that does not inspire us to think outside of the box but instead makes us fear to step out of it.

Simple solutions, such as business and diverse career workshops, can combat the lack of opportunity. Mental health officers, from different ethnic backgrounds, in every school can prevent the irrational behaviour of youth violence amongst us.

Conversations with adults can help us understand why we are portrayed in a negative way in the media.

A vote for me can make Camden a better place and help us to exceed all expectations. Thank you for reading my manifesto.

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