National Planning Framework 4: The Voice of Young People

As the Scottish Government prepares the National Planning Framework 4 (a strategy for the next 30 years), we are seeking young people (14 – 26) who are interested in the future of Scotland and would like to tell us what they think about the future of their country. These views will be fed back to those producing the policy document implementing such matters in the future.

WHY IS THE SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT REACHING OUT?
The Scottish Government is preparing a new strategy considering development and infrastructure to support sustainable and inclusive growth for Scotland up to 2050. Following a major engagement activity with private stakeholders as well as members of the public, four key areas have been selected for further consultation with young people: Climate Change, People, Work and Place.

WHY ARE WE ENGAGING WITH YOUNG PEOPLE?
Because these decisions will impact their future!
Young people have been given an opportunity to influence this national policy in their best interest. The Scottish Government needs to know the needs and concerns of the future generation who will be living in the houses, using the roads, and enjoying the nature that we plan today. In order to deliver what they would like to see in their location, we are encouraging active public discussion and empowering the young people to help us.

PROJECT BACKGROUND: WHICH ORGANISATIONS ARE INVOLVED?
Scotland’s leading place and active citizenship charity PAS (Planning Aid Scotland) has been invited by the Scottish Government (SG) to lead this engagement given its experience of work with young people in schools and communities. PAS is also reaching out to umbrella bodies such as Young Scot, Youth Link, Scouts/Girl Guiding organisations as well as local council education departments.

HOW WILL WE ENGAGE?
We will be running virtual workshop sessions in four geographical locations across Scotland. If you are interested in taking part, please complete this short survey. For more information please contact Lenka: lenkas@pas.org.uk. You can find out more about PAS here: www.pas.org.uk