



## DYLAN'S STORY

# “HOW I VIEW THE WORLD IS COMPLETELY DIFFERENT”

We first met Dylan when his young carers group completed their John Muir Award through the Green Guardians project.

He came along to our first Youth Environment Summit and became a founding member of our Youth Forum. He's since helped to shape how the group is run and helped plan events.

Dylan said: “I wouldn't usually have the chance to visit the Dales. The people I met were completely different to people I'd met at home. It was really good and refreshing, really easy to get into it. It was hands-on with everyone involved, even people who were shy still had a say. I really enjoyed all the activities and even led a couple of things at the summit, making bee hotels.

“ It's given me more knowledge of the environment and better understanding of what I can do to help it. I definitely care more about it. I do simple things like not wasting stuff, like electricity and food. I'm aware of bigger issues like palm oil – you can help by buying things that don't contain it, especially chocolate. Before I wouldn't have thought about what I was eating or doing. I know I'm very different now to how I used to be. How I view the world is completely different. I know a lot more about a lot of other things - like how the government works and campaigning. ”