Committee: Advisory Committee on the Environment

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Occupation: **Student** + **stamp assembler** 

Work experience: Almost all have been customer service jobs. I work great with people but also have great initiative on my own. Currently, I work in production and quality control. I am great at detail oriented tasks and have been the go-to person when they need one to take on higher responsibility.

Education: I went to high school outside of London, and moved here for college in 2006. I went back (September 2011) to Fanshawe for the liberal studies program with intentions of applying to university. I am currently accepted to Western's undergraduate program starting this fall (2012) for social geography and environmental studies. I am most excited for my masters in Environment & Sustainability which will come after my B.A. Skills: I am the most passionate person I (and my peers) know when it comes to the health and environment of us and the planet. I am in need of finding my place in the community and have only had the opportunity to do small grass root meetings. I am a scuba diver since I was 13, so the water has brought a hands on aspect and helped fuel my passion. I do not have much in the way of specialized knowledge since I am just beginning my education, but all I do on the computer is research on interests and am constantly learning and spreading new facts, awareness and information. I love documentaries, which may not seem relevant, but I strive to explore and find the sides to a story and become very fascinated in the multiple areas of life.

Interest reason: I am interested in contributing to the city because I am passionate about the environment and would love the experience. I am also very curious about city council and city hall. I ponder working in city hall for an enviro-type career, and would welcome any opportunities to get my foot in the door. I am also very interested in meeting similar minded people, as well as the people who help keep the city running.

Contributions: I believe I can make fair, priority assessments and bring a young adults eco perspective to the table. I also feel that I will grow as a student and a citizen of London. Past contributions: I have not had any opportunities with similar bodies or organizations. I have given Fanshawe's eco-club a few tips that I think they could improve on to help involve students and raise awareness of take-back options but since I found out about them just last month, I did not offically join. I will however, be participating in Westerns Enviroclub for my full duration.

Interpersonal: By no means is it professional experience, but by being myself and embracing my passions for such [sometimes controversial] topics at a young age, I have seen myself mature and improve at a faster rate than most 23 year olds. I have learned at a fast pace what appreciating others opinions mean and what it can do for the means of a relationship. In exchanging views with other people, the internet has been a great tool; not-for-profit groups and other communities help share and expand on ones views. When there is a confrontation (be it online, or from a peer) I feel I have grown in my understanding of different opinions and in ways to manage the situation.

Interview interest: Yes