Candidate Name: Muzammil Ahmad (Muz)

Age: 17

Connection to the Borough: Wandsworth Resident and Member of the Youth Council

Schools I Attend: St. Cecilia's Church of England School

## Hi, I'm Muzammil Ahmad—most people just call me Muz—and I'm thrilled to announce my candidacy for Wandsworth Youth Mayor!

Growing up here in Wandsworth, I've seen firsthand the challenges young people face grown up in Wandsworth since birth, but I've also witnessed the incredible potential we have to make a difference. I believe in a Wandsworth where young voices aren't just heard—they shape the future.

From ensuring safety in our communities to creating more youth spaces and supporting mental health initiatives, I'm passionate about tackling the issues that matter most to us. As a proud member of the Wandsworth Youth Council, I've learned that this role isn't about making empty promises. I won't promise you the world—but I will promise a realistic, pragmatic approach that focuses on real, meaningful change for young people.

Together, we can make Wandsworth a place where every young person feels empowered, supported, and inspired. Let's make it happen!

## My Main Priorities

- 1) Young People's Safety isn't a privilege—it is a right. I'm dedicated to improving support services and creating safer spaces to ensure that every young person feels safe in our borough. To achieve this I will speak with council leaders and decision makers to advocate for this to happen
- 2) Empowering Youth Through Cultural and Creative Opportunities; Wandsworth's is London Borough of Culture 2025 is a great chance to celebrate and improve our community. I want young people to be at the centre of this effort, learning vital skills and getting practical experience in the arts, music, and creative sectors. Our local youth clubs are crucial places for creativity, and together, we can transform this moment into long-term change that will strengthen our future and strengthen creative opportunities in borough.
- 3) Improving Mental Health Support. Too many young people suffer in silence. I'm committed to ensure council leaders and decision makers understand the concerns for young people and the need to provide mental health support in our schools and youth spaces, making it visible, reliable, and a constant priority.

By voting for me, you're choosing a Youth Mayor who understands the challenges young people face and is committed to making real, practical changes that matter—whether it's ensuring that young people feel safe in bad brough, empowering young people through creative opportunities like, the funding from London Borough of Culture 2025, or improving mental health support in schools and youth spaces.

I don't believe in making empty promises—I believe in real, practical change. I want Wandsworth to be a place where decisions are made with us, not for us. If you want a Youth Mayor who listens, takes action, and truly represents young people, vote for Muz.