

YOUTH ASSEMBLY

FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Second Mandate 2023

Facts and Figures

2025

Three Main Roles

1. To engage with the work of the Northern Ireland Assembly, particularly its Statutory Committees, and have their voices heard on legislation and inquiries relevant to young people
2. To undertake project work generated by the members of each of the Youth Assembly Committees
3. To participate in youth voice projects and opportunities such as government consultations

Key Figures

2 YEAR TERM 

441 APPLICATIONS 

SCHOOL YEARS
9-12 

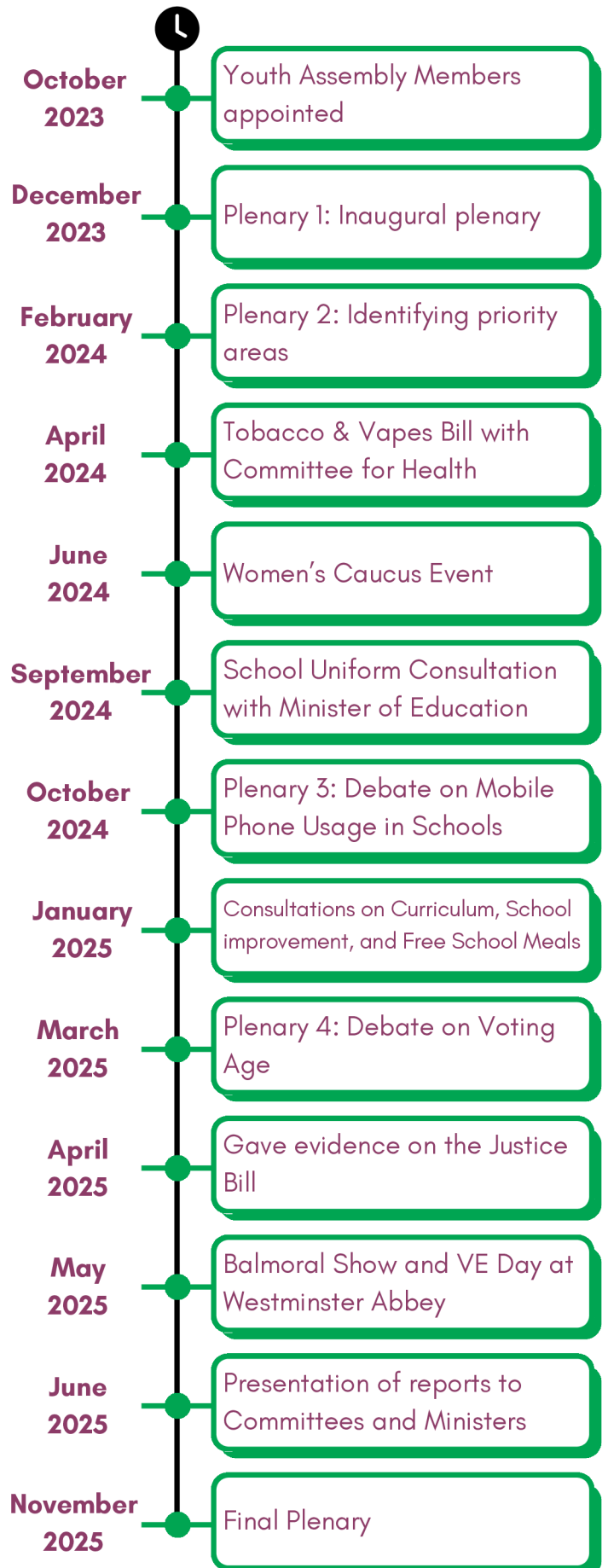
90 SEATS 

18/18 
CONSTITUENCIES
REPRESENTED

5 
PLENARY
MEETINGS

90 
EVENTS

34 
COMMITTEE
MEETINGS



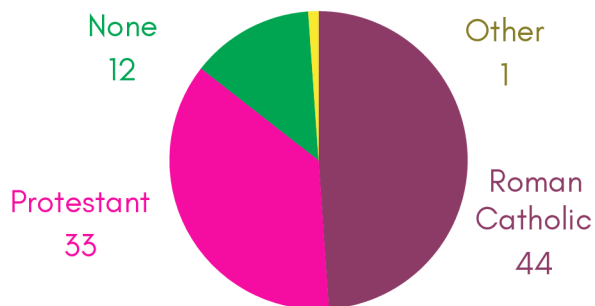
How representative is the Youth Assembly?



Male 46

GENDER

Female 44



RELIGIOUS BELIEF

Membership of the Youth Assembly is inclusive and representative of the Northern Ireland youth population.

Planned	Actual
3 Young people with lived experience of care	4
4 Young people from an ethnic minority background	6
3 LGBTQ+ young people	5
10 Young people with a disability	12
2 Young carers	3
25 Young people who are eligible for free school meals	29

Development Opportunities

In addition to working with Assembly Committees and government departments, the Youth Assembly participated in events and projects with:

- Marie Curie
- Volunteer Now
- Children's Law Centre
- Council for the Curriculum, Examinations and Assessment
- Northern Ireland Youth Forum
- Northern Ireland Commissioner for Children and Young People
- Barnardos
- Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission
- Education Authority
- Youth and Policing Partnership Forum
- Electoral Commission