



Tanvi Upreti



“I applied to be a Youth MP because young people deserve to be genuinely heard. Especially young women, who are still underrepresented in New Zealand politics. Decisions are constantly being made that shape our futures, yet our voices are rarely part of the conversation. I’ve grown up in the Bay of Plenty, raised by Nepalese Immigrants and have seen our community's strengths and the challenges youth face. I see Youth Parliament as the perfect platform to speak up, lead, and represent. I believe government spending should prioritise education, mental health, and career support, not long-term benefit dependence. Young people like me need to understand that politics isn’t just something happening in the background; it’s the very thing shaping our lives and our futures. I am very passionate about politics and the way our country works; I believe people like me deserve to be a part of the conversation.”

Selecting MP: Tom Rutherford

Location: Tauranga