

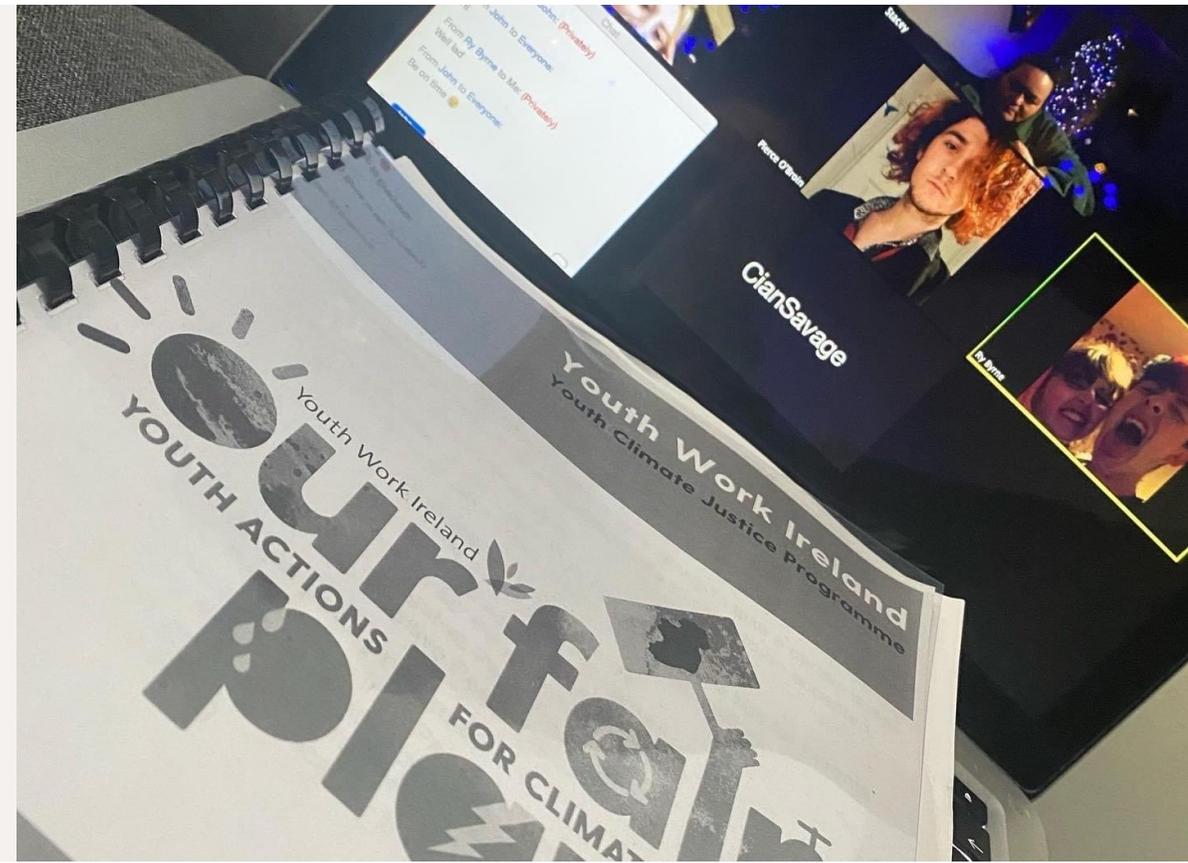


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Testimonies  
from young  
people who  
participated in  
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programme

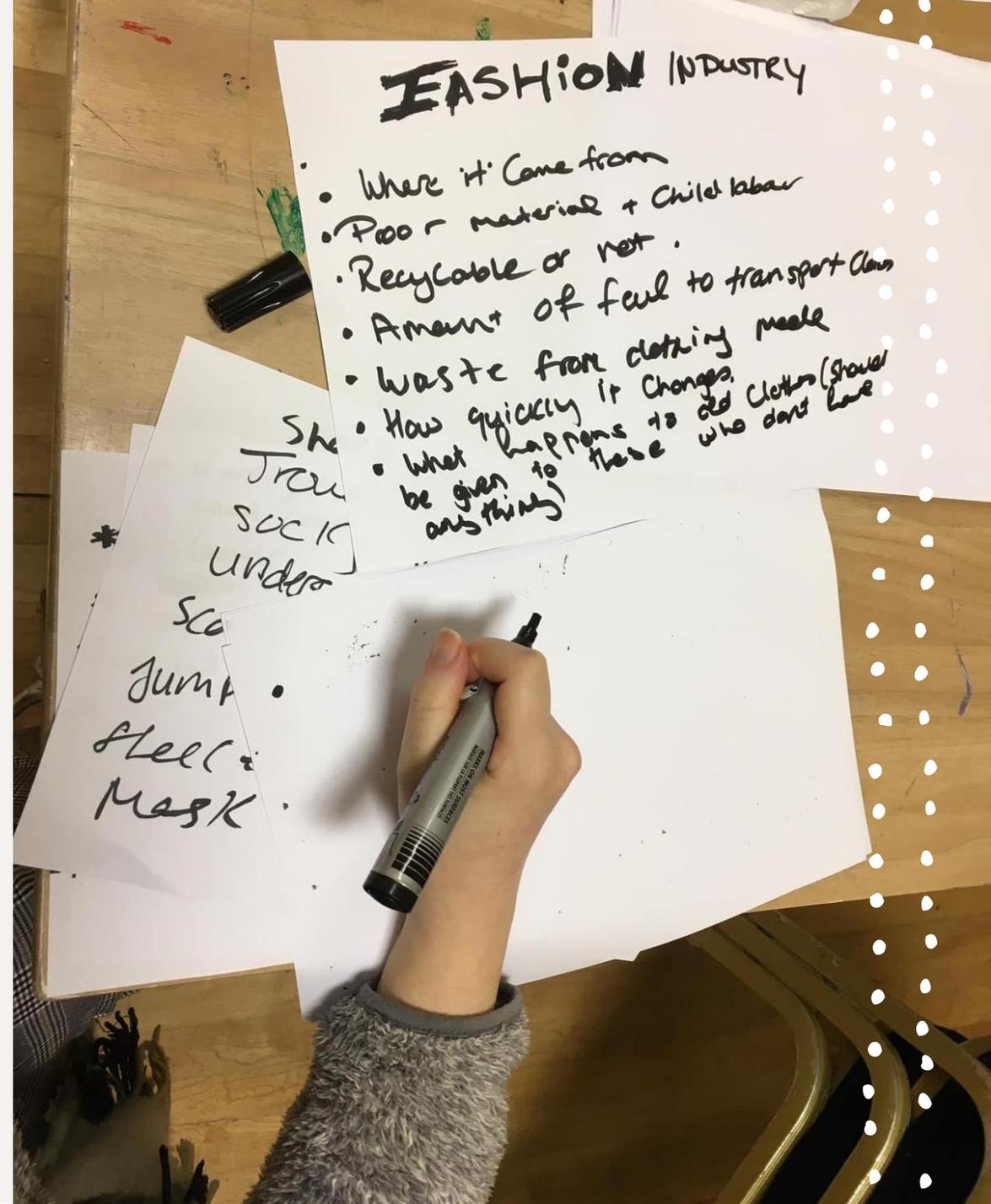
# Our Fair Planet

- “I liked doing the Our Fair Planet Programme. I think it is up to young people to change the way we live so that we can protect the planet. If we lead the way politicians won’t think it is ok to make decisions that hurt the climate thinking they will get votes for doing it. Young People by our actions can show them that minding the planet can get you elected”.
- Megan, Young Person



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- “I didn’t know before how climate change could be linked to human rights. I couldn’t see the connection. I understand now, the statement that those least responsible are and will suffer the most from climate injustice”.
- Stephen, Young Person



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- "It was interesting to learn about how much we dispose of and how much fast fashion impacts the environment. If we concentrated more in repairing and upcycling things, the environment wouldn't be as affected by our fashion decisions."
- Beth, Young Person

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- “I recycle, I don’t use single use cartons, I try to eat the best quality food that I can afford but I’ve realised through this programme that my diet choices leads me to buy food that has been transported from around the world. That has caused me to reflect on my choices. It has been really beneficial to see the impact this programme has had on our young people. They were not as clued into the aspects of climate change as is portrayed on social and mainstream media”.
- Eoin, Youth Worker



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- “The new things I learned doing the Our Fair Planet Programme was that the jobs people do has a big effect on the climate – and that everyone can make a difference. One of the things I have been doing since I started this programme is saving my money by not buying fast food with all its packaging and the air miles that the food travels. Instead I am making my own treats and baked goods. I am enjoying this, and I am making a difference even if it’s a small one”.
- Charlotte, Young Person



Holly Marriage

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- “I never thought that by shopping in places where I buy cheap clothes that I was adding to climate injustice. I understand that connection now. Young people like me, are working in bad conditions in underdeveloped countries, for hardly no money to produce clothes for me. The process of making the clothes and the materials used and the length they must be transported makes this a climate justice issue”
- Daniel

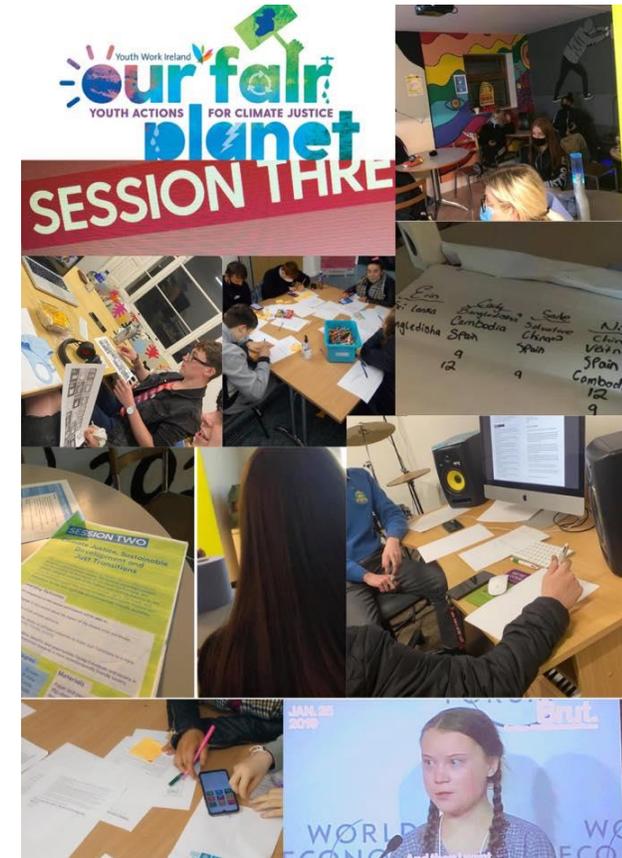
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- "The program was an interesting experience. I learned a lot and was really motivated to try and change what I do that affects the environment."
- Pau

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- “I loved that young people I work with who have previously shown zero interest in politics became quite enthused at the idea of pressuring politicians to increase investment in research into sustainable development methods”.
- Joan, Youth Worker



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- “My family are from Romania and we were farmers. My Father ate the food they grew on the farm when he was young, but the young people don’t eat that food now. They don’t want it, so I recognised the same thing with the organic quinoa farmer in the Our Fair Planet Programme. I thought about air miles – we go home to Romania twice a year so that adds to my carbon footprint – but my Nanny is very old and it would be terrible if we didn’t get to see her – I don’t think people are going to stop flying so much, even though they want to save the planet, so we talked about alternative fuels that could be used to fly planes – the governments of the world should invest more in alternative fuel research”.
- Dan

