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KATE HOLLAND: Hi, I'm Kate Holland and welcome to a special edition of Newsreel. This week, we are covering the US Election.

And we're speaking to two young voters about what this election means to them.

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The US Election

KATE HOLLAND: It was a long wait for Americans, and for the rest of the world. But in the end, it's the Democratic party's candidate - Joe Biden - who is celebrating victory over the Republican candidate Donald Trump.

KAMALA HARRIS: We did it Joe, you're going to be the next President of the United States

That's Kamala Harris, in a video taken from her Twitter. She will be the first female Vice President, the first Black Vice President and the first South Asian Vice President.

Here is a clip of Mr Biden, from NBC news, during his first speech as the President-Elect.

JOE BIDEN: Folks, the people of this nation have spoken. They have delivered us a clear victory...

In the United States, the voting system relies on a "winner takes all" strategy. This means, if a candidate gets most of the votes, in, for example California, they get all of the votes for that state.

Why is this important? Well, because it might lead to the candidate with the most votes not winning the election, that happened in 2016. Hilary Clinton actually got more votes than Donald Trump but he won anyway.

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At the time of recording, Joe Biden has enough votes to win the election. However, Donald Trump continues to challenge the results. I called two young voters in the United States to ask what this election really meant to them. Dalton voted Republican.

DALTON DISMUKES: I chose Donald Trump, I know everybody doesn't look at the stock market, I know everybody doesn't look at the housing markets and indicators of our economy, but I certainly do. One big thing that pushed me to President Trump, was I am a little timid of Joe Biden's tax plan.

Dalton is a small business owner, and under Joe Biden's proposed changes, corporation tax - which is the tax that small businesses pay - will rise. That means small business owners like Dalton - will have to pay more tax from the money they earn.

The Coronavirus pandemic has also been a big issue in this election with many criticising how President Trump has handled it, but Dalton thinks it's unfair to say that anyone could have done better.

DALTON DISMUKES: I think it's disingenuous to pretend that anyone else would have done something significantly different.

I also spoke to Ruby Carr, who voted for Joe Biden.

RUBY CARR: I'm 18, I just voted in Nottingham, New Hampshire and I voted Democratic. I'm so happy that I finally get to vote

KATE HOLLAND: Ruby is happy to have a President that will listen to young people.

RUBY CARR: I'm mostly just so excited to finally have someone in office who is going to listen to young people, someone who we can persuade to be on our side yeah, a huge issue for me is climate, so like Biden's climate plan is awesome.

KATE HOLLAND: Joe Biden is planning on re-joining the Paris Climate Agreement which Donald Trump left on the 4th of November.

RUBY CARR: I feel like all of the other issues are really important, but also without a liveable planet. The other issues kind of fade away.

KATE HOLLAND: Well, that's it for our special episode this week. I'll be back on the 28th November...Goodbye!

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